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Upcoming key dates for the diary (please see diary for extensive list):

Tuesday 10th March – The Great Chesswood Science Fair

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Friday 3rd April – Last day of term

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All Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday – Homework • Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check • Sport Relief – 13th March • Inset Day Information

1. The Great Chesswood Science Fair – All – Information

We would like to invite parents to 'The Great Chesswood Science Fair' on Tuesday 10th March. From 3:20pm-4:00pm, the New Hall will be open for you to have a look at the fantastic investigations each class has been carrying out as part of British Science Week. The stalls will give the children a chance to show off the hard work they have been putting in at home with their science homework bags. Some children from each class will be there to explain their investigations and answer any questions. We look forward to seeing you there! See below some photographs of last year's fun!



2. World Book Day – All

Thank you to everyone for participating in World Book Day on 5th March! Below are a few photos of staff and students!



3. Independent School Travel – All – Information

We are sometimes asked when is it appropriate for a child to travel to school independently. We have set out some guidance that we think will be helpful to parents when faced with this tough dilemma – keeping your child safe whilst supporting increased independence (it is a tough one!)

The point at which a child may be ready to travel to school independently varies significantly and rests as much on maturity and character as it does on age. The actual journey that needs to be made by a child is also a key factor in the decision e.g. travelling from home on Chesswood Road with no road crossing compared to travelling from further afield. Ultimately, it is a parent decision. However, this guidance is set out to support parents in what is often a very difficult decision. The decision will rest on child's ability to:

- Manage known and arising risks sensibly
- Avoid creating risks for themselves or others

Although competing demands in busy lives can add pressure to making this type of decision, not to mention 'pester power' from children who strive for independence, this decision needs to be made on the level of risk rather than convenience.

We would recommend all parents thinking of working towards some form of independent travel e.g. dropping off away from the school gate to travelling home independently; read the guidance at: <https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Independent+School+Travel&pid=316>

4. Inset Days – All – Information

We will be holding an INSET day at Chesswood on Wednesday 11th March and place to arrange childcare facilities at school for families who need it.

The details are as follows:

- Wednesday 11th March 2020, 7:30am to 3:30pm to include breakfast
- A range of activities will be provided throughout the day, to include arts and crafts, board and card games, sports, nature documentaries and general play
- Children will need a packed lunch and a fruit snack, breakfast will be supplied between 7:30am – 8:15am
- The cost for the day will be £25.00 per child to be paid in full
- Numbers will be limited and based on a first come first served basis, for paid only bookings (non-refundable)
- The children will be cared for throughout the day by members of our school support staff, all of whom are suitable qualified, DBS checked and hold first aid qualifications

Should you wish your child to attend, please look online via SchoolsBuddy or complete the reply slip attached to the letter (on our website) and send it to school, together with your cheque payment of £25.00 per child, in a sealed envelope for the attention of Kate Brown, School Finance Officer. All forms and payments must be returned no later than **3:00pm Tuesday 10th March.**

5. Safeguarding – E-Safety – All – Information

The NSPCC have published an informative and helpful leaflet providing guidance and advice on how best to keep your child safe online. Every family will have their own approach and views on how best to keep children safe when they are using the internet, and it's important to find what is right for you and your family. The leaflet also explains what to do if something does go wrong, and where you can keep help and support. This leaflet is available on our school website <http://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=3496&type=pdf> and has been sent via SchoolsBuddy together with the newsletter and diary.

6. Recycling Ink & Toner Cartridges – All – Information

Chesswood can receive funding from Empties Please by recycling ink and toner cartridges. Please see the below poster and bring any old (branded) cartridges into the school office to help raise further funds!



7. Online Safety Workshop for Parents – St Andrew’s – All – Information

St Andrew’s High School for Boys are holding an Online Safety Workshop for Parents on Wednesday 18th March at 6:00pm at St Andrew’s. they would like to invite all parents and carers, regardless of school choice, to this workshop. Please see the below poster for further information.



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- VENUE: St Andrew's, Sackville Road, Worthing, BN14 8BG
- TIME: 18:00 - 19:15
- COST: Free
- REGISTER YOUR SPACE (link): tinyurl.com/vzoob7r

For more information, please contact:
mackayj@st-andrews-boys.org.uk

www.digitalawarenessuk.com
www.vodafone.co.uk/mobile/digital-parenting

8. Electric Bikes and Scooters – All – Information

We have recently had a request about travelling to school on an electric scooter. At the time of the request we had not previously given any thought to it and certainly didn't have a policy. Having given it some consideration, the school policy decision on this will be that children may only store unelectrified bicycles or scooters on site, at any time.

There are a number of issues when considering this:

- “Safety is at the heart of our road laws, and people who use e-scooters need to be aware it is currently illegal to ride them on the road and the pavement”, a Department for Transport spokesperson
- Aside from the fact that it is illegal and in the knowledge this may change in the near future given a government review:
 - Safety of other pavement users with children testing out the upper speeds of their ride at very busy times would remain a significant risk – prams, toddlers...
 - They are high value and therefore an even bigger target for theft than typical bikes or scooters; we have no appropriate space in school for such items to be stored to keep them safe
 - It is healthier for children to power themselves, a scooter or a bike rather than rely on a powered vehicle. Given the exercise concerns affecting children nationally it would seem counter productive to agree to powered transport when children could take the opportunity for more physical exercise

As ever, we are happy to receive different perspectives on policy decisions, as we are in this case. Parents are welcome to contact the head with their views on this, in support or to test it, so that we can be assured it remains appropriate now and in the future for the vast majority of the school population:
head@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk

9. Fundraising – All – Information

Did you know that you can help raise money for Chesswood whenever you shop online? Easyfundraising is a free service which allows charities to raise money when their supporters shop online, with over 2,700 retailers including Amazon, Ebay, Argos, Next and more. All you need to do is register with Easyfundraising and select **Friends of Chesswood School** as your chosen cause
https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofchesswoodschool/?block-header=true&utm_campaign=raise-more – then simply shop online as usual. There is no charge to you. All funds raised are currently being put towards developing our Outdoor Areas.

10. Amazon Smile – All – Information

We are pleased to say that Chesswood is now registered with smile.amazon.co.uk, so if you are shopping online with Amazon in the run up to Christmas, please use the link:
<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1154865-0> and choose to support Friends of Chesswood. By doing this, Friends of Chesswood, which is a registered charity, will receive a donation from Amazon every time you shop online at no extra cost to you.

Please also remember to use easyfundraising when you do your Christmas shopping. Over 4,000 shops and sites will donate to Friends of Chesswood School at no extra cost to you – so you can raise donations when you buy gifts, decorations, your festive food shopping or anything else!

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofchesswoodschool/?utm_campaign=raise-more



11. School Production JUMANJI – All – Information

The information regarding characters and audition pieces is now on the website under 'parents'. Children can practice at home and prepare for their audition. Auditions will take place during Music lessons next week. Ms Cossins will make arrangements for tutorial children to come at a different time so every child gets to audition if they would like to.

The production is totally inclusive. Any child who wishes to be in Jumanji can be. All we ask is for the children to turn up on their rehearsal days. Rehearsals are after school (3:15-4:15). Unless your child has a big part in the school production, it is likely that they will have around 3 rehearsals to come to. This will be clearer when we have assigned parts and a rehearsal schedule has been completed. Children can sign up for clubs as usual. On the day they have been called to rehearse, they come to rehearsal instead of club if there is a clash. Please note the larger character parts in the production will rehearse at least once every week.

All children have the same audition pieces to make it fair across the school. It is not a reading test (we can see through reading stumbles) and we do not expect children to memorise any part of the audition. Ms Cossins will help and encourage the children every step and the audition process becomes quite fun. The audition is for speaking parts only. We encourage all children to have a go.

If your child would like to be in the production, the system is they write their name down and tell me what they would like to be. All children (unless they have a big part to play) can be two things. They choose a character from Act 1 and a character from Act 2.

Children will know what parts they are playing in a few weeks time. Scripts go home before the Easter break. Rehearsal schedules are given out before the Easter break. Rehearsals begin in the first week back after Easter. The performance week is the week beginning 6th July. Performances are here at school. Each group performs several times: during the day, straight after school and one later in the evening.

There are two groups; Group A and Group B. Siblings and family members will be in the same group. Two children play every part! This increases the amount of speaking parts and decreases the amount of children 'backstage' and makes every performance more manageable. Confusing, but it works! We anticipate there to be around 400 children taking part in this years production. We cannot have all 400 children on stage.

Ms Cossins will set up a meeting soon for anyone (please_ who would like to help in any way at all, in either making props, costume, painting, etc. Ms Cossins will have a list of items that may need sourcing or making. It would be great to have some help – and it's fun!

This year's production is Jumanji and is loosely based on the first film – with some quite significant changes. It's been a tricky one to write but it's going to be fun.

12. Film Afternoon – All – Information

Please see the poster below for more information on the Film Afternoon, which will be held on Friday 27th March. This is now live to book via SchoolsBuddy.

FILM AFTERNOON

Friday 27th March 2020

3.15pm to 5.30pm



Entry - £2 to include drink & popcorn

Deadline – 25th March 2020

The children are invited to stay after school on Friday 27th March to watch the film "Toy Story 4". Entry is £2 to include a drink & popcorn. Children's names will be entered into a raffle in return for the £2 payment. NO ticket will be issued. You will be able to check your payment has been received on SchoolsBuddy. The winning name will be drawn at the end of the film and a prize will be given. Please note that this is a U rated film and by consenting on SchoolsBuddy you are giving your child permission to view this film.

- If your child attends an after school club on this date, it will be a parental decision as to whether they attend the film. If they cannot, please be assured that we will be holding more film afternoons so there will be another opportunity.
- If you child attends a paid club, but wishes to attend the film show, we will not be able to reimburse the cost of that club session.
- Payment and consent can be made online via SchoolsBuddy. Payment must be made in advance, we cannot take payment on the day.
- Spaces are limited to 200 and will be issued on a first come – first served basis.

13. Sports Relief Obstacle Run – All – Information

On Friday 13th March we are holding a Sports Relief Obstacle Course on the front playground before school. We would love to see as many people as possible there, even if for just one lap! Please see poster below for further information.



Chesswood Obstacle Run



On Friday 13th we will be holding an event for Sports Relief on the front playground between 8.15-8.45am.

This event is for both pupils and parents – all we ask is for a donation to be made to Sports Relief on the day.

Complete 1 lap or 50 it's up to you!

Get Active – Raise Money – Help others



14. Sports News – All – Information

Sports News

Year 3 & 4 Indoor Athletics Competitions:



For Y3 this was their first taste of competitive athletics against other schools – for the Y4 it was a chance to win the competition they won as Y3s last year.

Both teams started strongly with obstacle race wins and then some solid performances in the field events: Freya won the 5 strides; Ben C won the long jump and Harry the boys 5 strides in Y3. The Y4s have wins in Ayla – long jump, Eva-Betsy – vertical jump, Sasha won 5 strides and Gabriel the vertical jump.



Into the races the teams all did very well.

Finals standings – Y3 team – 3rd and the Y4 team were **WINNERS!** Overall the squad finished 2nd by just 2 points.

Lower School Albion Football Cup:

Our first ever entry into the Albion Cup started well with 3 out of 3 wins, a loss and a draw in the final group stages meant the team qualified for the quarter finals.

Into the quarter finals the team battled well but narrowly lost to The Orchards. Team: Mason, Harry, Sid, Zach, Theo, Kaspian, Ryan and Ben.





Year 6 Cup – B Team:

The B team boys played English Martyrs on Tuesday afternoon – the team played well considering the vast majority have very little competitive team experience. Charlie in goal pulled off a string of amazing saves with Luca battling hard in defence. Although being a few goals down at half time the team were still optimistic and after the break they came



out determined. A deflected Bongani shot gave the team a well-deserved consolation goal.

Team: Bongani, Caleb, Blake, Jonah, Taheem, Jack, Charlie, Archie, Luca and Toby C.

Y6 Indoor Cricket:

For the first time the school entered the Indoor Cricket League run but the Sussex cricket – it was a new experience and style of play for the team but they picked it up very quickly. In the groups stages they had wins over TAB, Durrington, Georgian Gardens put the team into the final against West Park.

The final we bowled first and kept tight lines and fielded incredibly well with Tate taking yet another catch as wicket keeper. When we batted both Tate and Vraj did a fantastic job running between the wickets, followed by boundaries from Charlie and Veeraj. The final pair of Thomas and Shuaib defended their wickets to ensure the victory. So the first time entering the competition we qualified for the Sussex Finals!

Team: Vraj, George, Veeraj, Shuaib, Tate, Thomas and Charlie.



Upcoming Events:

Tuesday 10th March – Y3 Netball Skills Festival (Orchards)

Thursday 12th – Legacy Leaders (Chesswood)

Monday 16th – Y4 Football Tournament (Orchards)

Tuesday 17th – Y6 Netball (2 teams) and Y5 Football Tournaments (West Park)

Wednesday 18th - Y5 Football and Y6 Football (2 teams) Tournaments (West Park)

Tuesday 24th – Y4 Netball (2 teams) (Worthing College) & Y3 Football (Orchards)

Sports Club Cancellations:

Tuesday 17th March: Capoeira Club

Wednesday 18th – Upper School Netball and Girls Football

House Challenge:

This week the Challenge the number of different pupils who have represented the school for Sports events since September.

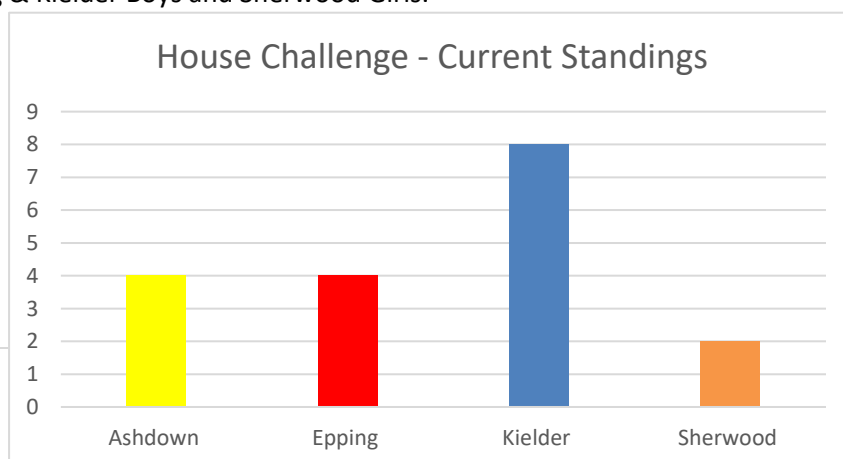
Lots of points scored in this challenge as it was split between boys and girls across each Year group – winners were:

Y6 – Epping Boys and Kielder Girls

Y5 – Sherwood Boys and Ashdown Girls

Y4 – Kielder Boys and Ashdown & Kielder Girls

Y3 Epping & Kielder Boys and Sherwood Girls.



Year 5 Bikeability:

Y5 have their Bikeability training coming up in April – if you would like your child to take part in this (Y5 only) please complete the form below and return to Mr Quick.



Parent/Guardian Information and Consent Form

Please read carefully before signing.

To the Road Safety Officer

I consent to (name of child) Date of Birth

Taking part in a Bikeability Scheme at (name of school)

Part or all of which will take place on the public highway.

- I undertake to ensure that the cycle is in a roadworthy condition each day.
- I understand that the cycle is taken on to school premises at my risk.
- Each day I will ensure that my child wears a correctly fitted cycle helmet which is in good condition and conforms to British Safety Standards.



Signed Parent/Guardian

Date

Year 5 Swimming:

As part of their PE curriculum Y5 will be going to Splashpoint Leisure Centre for swimming lessons starting **straight after the Easter holidays**.

Parents will receive further information on SchoolsBuddy regarding this – we are looking for volunteers to help walking the children to and from the pool – if you are able to help please contact your class teacher.

Monday afternoons 5CR and 5AL will be swimming.

Friday mornings 5EV, 5KM and 5NY will be swimming.

Out of School Achievements:



Congratulations to Tilly in Y5 who has qualified for the National Dance finals after winning several events in a competition in Kent over the weekend. She danced solos, duets and trios winning medals and trophies in each!

Kleona has been busy winning lots of gymnastics medals over the last few weeks – almost every Monday she appears with more and more medals for floor, vault and bars.



15. External Events – All – Information



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"Moses Part 2!"
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3.30-5.30pm

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