



CHESSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

Home of Bright Sparks

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Jedi Academy Invite for _____

Dear Parent or Carer,

Your class teacher(s) would like to invite your son/daughter to attend the Jedi Academy programme – a series of booster sessions led by Mr Yelling and Mr Gilbert, and supported by Ms Main, Ms Oswald and Miss Taylor. Please do not be worried by this, as a school, we simply want to provide a little boost to help him/her secure better achievement in [reading / writing / mathematics](#).

As a school, our aim is to enable all children to meet age related expectations in reading, writing and mathematics. Currently, your son/daughter is just meeting or just below the expected standard in one or more of these subjects, therefore, they have been selected to attend our Jedi Academy sessions to support them to reach these standards as quickly as possible.

We are asking for your support to encourage your child to **attend one session every day**:

| Times | Days | Meet | Staff |
|-------------|--|--------------------------------|--|
| 08:15-08:45 | Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday | Year 6 area outside library | Mr Yelling / Mr Gilbert |
| 12:35-13:00 | Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday | Year 6 area outside library | Miss Taylor / Ms Main |
| 15:15-15:45 | Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday | Year 6 area outside library | Mr Yelling / Mr Gilbert / Ms Oswald |

You may choose the best times for you/your child each day. Ideally your child will attend a session every day to maximise the impact of the booster sessions, however, if they have other commitments at that time, can they please attend as many sessions as possible - it is possible to combine different times during the week but they should only attend a maximum of one session on each day.

You do not need to wait for a reply from school, you are automatically entitled to a place on the Jedi Academy when you receive this letter – your child can start immediately. Please discuss with your child where to attend (meet outside the library at the Year 6 group tables), the times of day they should attend and your pick up arrangements if required. There is a possibility that we may need to discuss alterations to the timetable with your child if there is excessive demand for any one particular time during the day.

The Jedi Academy sessions will run from now, up until Friday 13th July. Their class teacher(s) will monitor their attendance, their improvements in class as well as improvements in their Jedi status (our school rewards programme linked to word count and IXL mastery) and will ultimately assess their progress and attainment after the next round of school testing.

What happens in the programs?

Pupils will be encouraged to take responsibility for improving the learning that they have been selected for:

Reading (increasing their word count – reading more books and passing AR quizzes),

Writing (mastering more IXL skills for grammar, punctuation and spelling)

Mathematics (mastering IXL skills for maths or playing TT Rock Stars to improve multiplication knowledge).

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What does my child need to do for this additional support to be really successful?

- Be at school every day and be on time to the sessions.
- Try to be the best they can be – work hard for the full 30 minutes of each session.
- Listen carefully to the advice and guidance from their class teacher, and act on it!
- Always have a book available and know their Accelerated Reader, TT Rock Stars and IXL passwords.

What do you need to do for this additional support to be really successful?

- Arrange drop-off / collection at school every day to allow your child to attend the sessions.
- Talk to your child about what they are learning at school.
- Encourage your child to keep trying, especially if they seem to struggle.
- Communicate any worries or successes to the school.

Should you have any queries or concerns about the Jedi Academy or why your child has been selected, please talk to your class teacher or contact Chris Yelling or Nik Gilbert, Year Leaders with the responsibility for the success of this programme.

cyelling@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk

or

ngilbert@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk

Thank you in anticipation of your support, we look forward to working with your child.

Yours sincerely,



Chris Yelling
Year 6 Leader



Nik Gilbert
Year 4 Leader

Jedi Academy Booster Sessions Reply Slip

Child's Name: _____

Class: _____

Please **circle one time each day** that you would like your child to attend:

| Day | Before school | Lunch time | After school |
|------------|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Monday | 08:15-08:45 | 12:35-13:00 | 15:15-15:45 |
| Tuesday | 08:15-08:45 | 12:35-13:00 | 15:15-15:45 |
| Wednesday | 08:15-08:45 | 12:35-13:00 | |
| Thursday | 08:15-08:45 | 12:35-13:00 | 15:15-15:45 |
| Friday | 08:15-08:45 | 12:35-13:00 | 15:15-15:45 |

After school sessions only (please circle one):

- I will arrange collection of my child at 3.45 pm from the front playground.
- My child will go to after school club at 3.45 pm.
- I give permission for my child to walk home at 3.45 pm.

Signed: _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

Please return the form to your class teacher.

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