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# Weekly Communication Edition 29 Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2018

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

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Thursday May – Year 6 SATs

Friday 18th May – PTA School Disco

# 1. Children Looked after & adoption – All – information

Following a meeting with parents of looked after and adopted children, the school's action plan has been updated on the school's website.

https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Children+Looked+After+and+Adoption&pid=239

The action plan focuses on suggestions provided by PAC-UK (The Agency for Adoption & Permanency Support) and the actions taken by Chesswood to ensure we provide appropriate support for children. On the website, the actions set previously have been reviewed using a RAG system (Red – little progress / Amber – some progress / Green – good progress). To see the full document, including next step actions, please scroll down the page and download the document 'PAC-UK Suggestions Action Plan': https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=577&type=pdf

# 2. Online Safety - All - information

There is a new app that children are using called Yubo. Please click on the link to NSPCC guidance: https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/yubo/

If you want to check an app your child is using then they can check it on net-aware's website: <a href="https://www.net-aware.org.uk">https://www.net-aware.org.uk</a>

All information regarding online safety can be found on our school website:

https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Online+Saftey&pid=238

In response to our post last week regarding advice on Fortnite, we have an advice poster from Parentzone below:

# Fortnite: what do you need to know?



### What is Fortnite?

Fortnite is a game that has been in development since 2011 but has seen a boom in popularity since September 2017, when the game's developers released its most popular mode, Fortnite Battle Royale. This mode is free-to-play and sees gamers from around the world taking each other on in last-man-standing 'battles' involving up to one hundred players.

### How do you play?

Fortnite is available on Xbox, PS4, PC, iOS and soon Android operating systems. This availability across numerous platforms and the fact that the game is free-to-play has been a large factor in Fortnite's popularity. You need an account to play, including a verifiable email address, but there are no age-checks.

### How old do you need to be to play?

The game itself is rated 12+ by PEGI, Pan European Game Information, for its frequent scenes of mild violence and is deemed unsuitable for children under the age of 12. This rating is simply advisory.

### Who's playing it?

With a reported 45 million players worldwide, Fortnite is truly a global gaming craze. Its vast popularity and use among children is beyond doubt. As with all games of this type, it is likely that children younger than 12 are engaging with the game.

# Fortnite: what do you need to know?

## Is it addictive?

Fortnite Battle Royale offers simple and enjoyable gameplay, which encourages extended playing time by making it extremely easy for players to move from one 'battle' to the next. It is important to discuss with children their use of and time spent on the game, and to make decisions on when and how much they play.

# Are there any other risks?

Fortnite Battle Royale features an in-game chat function, which allows on-screen or voice communication between players. This function, as with any in-game chat, could expose a child to inappropriate language, conversations and behaviour. It is important children are aware of these risks and privacy settings that they can use, including the ability to disable voice chat entirely. They should also understand the importance of not sharing personal and private information with strangers.

# Are there concerns over Fortnite's in-game currency?

Fortnite uses an in-game currency called V-bucks to enable purchases of costumes, custom pickaxes and season battle passes. Children may feel incentivised to buy battle passes for the equivalent of £7.99 a season (each lasting approximately 3 months) which offer perks and rewards. Certain unaffiliated sites also offer free V-Bucks in return for account or personal details. It is important children know never to share personal details or passwords outside of their Fortnite accounts.

### How can young people report their concerns?

- Fortnite offers an in-game feedback tool in the Main Menu of the game to report bad player behaviour to Epic Games, the creator of Fortnite.
- You can also seek advice and make a report about abusive or inappropriate behaviour to CEOP (the National Crime Agency's Child Exploitation and Online Protection Command) at <a href="https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/">https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/</a>.

### Further Reading

On PEGI video-game ratings: https://parentzone.org.uk/article/pegi-games-ratings-explained

On the excessive playing of video-games: <a href="https://parentzone.org.uk/article/can-children-become-addicted-online-gaming">https://parentzone.org.uk/article/can-children-become-addicted-online-gaming</a>

# 3. Gas Works disruption – All - information

We have received the following notification of major gas works that will take place in High Street and Lyndhurst Road in the forthcoming weeks, **we expect that this may cause delays with the school run**, so please plan your route in advance and allow extra time for your journey.

From Monday 14 May 2018 work will take place in Lyndhurst Road and is expected to last approximately seven weeks.

Phase one – approximately seven weeks

The project in High Street between its junction with A259 North Street and Little High Street. They will be replacing the gas main and service pipes along the western side on the road in sections.

Phase two – approximately four weeks

On Monday 4 June, they will begin upgrading the network in Lyndhurst Road. To ensure everyone's safety around the work area, they will need to close Lyndhurst Road from 10am on Monday 4 June between the A259 North Street roundabout and Providence Terrace.

Lyndhurst Road is expected to be closed for approximately four weeks, until Friday 29 June. Signed diversions via the A259 Brighton Road and Brougham Road will be in place throughout.

Access to Worthing Hospital and A&E will be maintained from the eastern approach of Lyndhurst Road throughout our work.

# 4. Celebrating external achievement – All – Information

It is very important that Chesswood celebrates the achievements of its pupils, not just within school, but outside of school as well. Many of our pupils take part in numerous activities outside of school and regularly achieve fantastic results! If your child has achieved something outside of school that you feel we should know about, please contact Miss Taylor on staylor@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk.

Well done to Ellie in Year 3, she auditioned for the Sound of Music production that will take place at the Pavilion Theatre in October. Out of 70 children who auditioned, Ellie received the part of Marta.



# 5. Sports News – All – information

# **Y3 Football League**

Into the finals week and the team of Frankie, Borys, Billy, Tommy, Sonny and Arthur were playing off for 5-8<sup>th</sup> place in the final league standings. The team really pulled together this week with 3 comfortable wins out of 3 matches.

# Year 4 Tri-Golf

3 teams of 10 entered the competition (which was run by 16 of our fabulous Y6 leaders) here at Chesswood on Wednesday afternoon. 5 other teams entered the event where chipping and putting skills were put to the test on 8 different activities.

Our Red team finished in 8<sup>th</sup> place (Harvey, Blake, Sam, Charlie L, Wiley, Astrid, Niamh, Charlotte P, Natalia and Ruby) scoring 378 points overall.

Chesswood White scored 703 points and finished 3<sup>rd</sup> (Harry, Tate, George, Thomas, Shuaib, Ellen, Daisy H-N, Harriet, Alice and Palvisha)

The Chesswood Blue team did one better finishing second scoring 727 points (Seb, Margan, Veeraj, Vraj, Jacob, Elara, Emily, Eva, Agnes and Sorrel).





## Year 5/6 Quadkids Athletics

Thursday afternoon was athletics time at Worthing Leisure Centre – 16 teams of 8 (4 boys and 4 girls) competed in the athletics event where each pupil has to sprint (75m), run (600m), do a standing long jump and throw a howler.

All athletes gave 100% in each event trying to gain extra points for every centimetre or second in discipline.

The Red team managed a magnificent 5<sup>th</sup> place with 1422 individually each athlete finished – Harriet (16<sup>th</sup> girl), Coleen (15<sup>th</sup>), Christelle (29<sup>th</sup>) and Elsie (7<sup>th</sup>). Boys Elliot M (32<sup>nd</sup>), Jonathan (18<sup>th</sup>), Lloyd (45<sup>th</sup>) and Ralph (30<sup>th</sup>).



Our Blue team won the competition with 1663 points over 100 points ahead of TAB in second place – Alisa (2<sup>nd</sup>), Olanna (6<sup>th</sup>), Isla (9<sup>th</sup>) and Lily (8<sup>th</sup>). Boys Reuben (3<sup>rd</sup>), Oscar M (10<sup>th</sup>), Harrison (4<sup>th</sup>) and Thomas (6<sup>th</sup>). On to the Southern Area Finals we go!!!!!

# **Y5 Swimming**

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> 5AB swimming at 2pm and 5ZM swimming at 2.30pm. Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> 5LB swimming at 2pm and 5CR swimming at 2.30pm 5SW will have a PE session on Tuesday between 10-11am.



# **Upcoming Events**

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Leaders to help run Y1/2 Quadkids Athletics (Chesswood) Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May – Year 5 Sports Day (9.30am start on the field) Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Quadkids Area Final (Angmering High School) Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Y3/4 Quadkids Athletics (Chesswood)

### **Sports Days**

All Sports Days will start at 9.30am on the field – if you are coming to watch please could you enter via the field (Ladydell Road) entrance after 9am.

Year 5 – Monday 21st May

Year 4 – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June (Change of date)

Year 6 – Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June (Change of date)

Year 3 - Monday 18th June

# 6. Friends of Chesswood event – all -information

Chesswood has been chosen as one of the beneficiaries of the Co-op's local community fund. This is really good news because a few hundred pounds will enable us to buy further equipment for our new DT room.

However there is the potential to raise several thousand pounds, which will allow us to do even more, and we would urge you to shop at the Co-op to help us to achieve this. The way the scheme works, every time a Co-op member uses their card to buy own brand products, they receive a 5 % reward with a further 1% going into a pot which will be shared amongst all the selected causes at the end of year.

However, if you would like to see all the money you generate for causes come to us, Co-op members can go online at coop.co.uk/membership and choose Chesswood Junior School as your preferred good cause.

If you're not a member, please sign up at membership.coop.co.uk or call in to the Co-op to collect a card. Your support is greatly appreciated.

https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/12745/



# Half Term Treat Week! Every day from 21st May at break, lunchtimes and after school in the Reception Prices from 25p!

# 7. External Events – all -information







Print

paint

Draw

Model

Make

Textiles photography



Celebrating Diversity

The One Love Worthing Festival invites all children to enter our art competition. Be as creative as you like-just create something to

'Celebrate Diversity'

Please submit all entries to Chesswood Junior School by Friday 15 June ensuring your name and school are

attached. Entries and winners will be displayed at the One Love Festival on Sunday 24th June at Worthing Assembly Hall (1-6PM)