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Weekly Communication Edition 31 Friday 25th May 2018

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

28th May to 1st June - Half Term

Monday 4th June: Year 4 Sports Day

Thursday 7th & Friday 8th June: Year 4 trip to Pulborough Brooks (please see letter for which day classes will visit)

Next week is half term – we return to school on Monday 4th June.

1. Parent Governor Vacancy - All - Action

There is currently one vacancy for a parent governor, two personal statements for applicants have been sent out via schoolsbuddy and these are also available to view on our school website in the latest correspondence section:

https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Latest+Correspondence&pid=176

If you do not have the facility to print out the form, please visit the school office where we will print this out for you.

2. Scooter Storage - All - Action

Please ensure when storing a bicycle or scooter on the school premises that it is locked. Although theft of bikes or scooters is exceptionally rare and never during the school opening hours, children can be absent minded and just collect a scooter or bike that looks vaguely similar – there are, after all, other things to think about! One of the best locks we have seen for scooters is pictured below – they can be purchased online for £19.99



3. Sports News - All - information

Y5/6 Quadkids Athletics

Another Southern Area final another victory for Chesswood!

The team dominated the event at Angmering High School with outstanding displays for sprinting, running, throwing and jumping. The 8 athletes will now go on to take on the best of the rest of Sussex at the Sussex Games at the end of June at the K2 in



Crawley.
As well as the team victory we also had the top boy (Reuben) and top girl



(Olanna) athletes in the whole competition.

Team: Isla, Olanna, Alisa, Oscar, Harrison, Reuben, Lily and Thomas.

Y3 and 4 Quadkids

On Wednesday we took 32 athletes from Y3 and 4 to a competition at St Andrews – 13 teams took part with just over 100 athletes in total. For some this was the first experience of competitive athletics in a tough competition where they all had to sprint, run, throw and jump.

Our Y4 Crimson team finished runners up in their event with Harriet finishing second best girl in the competition, Alice 4th, Doris 21st and Kulsuma 25th. For the boys Riley was 5th boy, George 6th, Bongani 13th and Herbie 19th.

The Y4Canary team finished 5th – Emalyn was 8th, Rosie, 15th, Edie 23rd and Sorrel 27th. Boys Callum 14th, Vraj 17th, Luca 26th and Veeraj 34th.

The Y3 Cocoa team was 3rd in their competition with Jess 30th girl (out of all Y3 and Y4 girls), Hope and Bella P joint 39th and Willow 45th. Boys Borys 18th, Elliot 20thm Leo P 24th and Philip 25th.

Our Y3 White team was just one place behind in 4th – Elsa was 32nd, Summer 42nd, Daisy 46th and Anya 52nd. Boys – Sonny 26th, Billy and Dominic joint 32nd and Arthur 38th.

Y5 Swimming

Monday 21^{st} 5AB swimming at 2pm and 5SW(LH) swimming at 2.30pm. Tuesday 22^{nd} 5LB swimming at 2pm and 5CR swimming at 2.30pm

5ZM will have a PE session on Tuesday between 10-11am.

Year 5 Sports Day

A glorious morning for sport on Monday – around 150 pupils taking part in the event testing different physical skills. The lead changed lots of times throughout the morning but the overall results for the event are as follows:

1st - Sherwood 2nd - Ashdown

3rd – Epping

4th – Kielder



Upcoming Events

HALF TERM

Monday 4th June – Y4 Sports Day Tuesday 5th June – Top-Up Swimming Tuesday 5th June – Y3/4 Cricket Festival at TAB Thursday 7th – Tri-Golf Area Finals (Rustington Golf Centre)

Year 5 Taster Days

All Y5 pupils will be attending taster sessions either at St Andrew or Davison on Friday 8th June from 1-3pm.

The pupils will be taking part in STEM and Arts sessions during their time at the high schools. We are walking all the children to and from each school and require help to do so. If you are able to help please contact Mr Quick (tquick@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk).

4. Changes to homework – all -information

From after half term, you will notice an additional English task on the weekly homework. Here is an example:

English Writing Challenge

In the last half term, we explored recounts and particularly diaries. We would encourage all children to write in a diary style either for real or from the point of view of a character. You should try to include all of the skills, knowledge and concepts you were taught and enjoy writing for pleasure. You may write alone, with a friend or with family members. You should following the non-negotiable posters and diary recount guide at: https://www.chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Writing&pid=59

You should self-assess your writing and ask a parent to review it with you. Your writing will not be marked by your class teacher, as they will be focused on developing your writing from class activities. You should bring any writing you have completed in with the take away tasks for your class friends and teacher to enjoy.

We would expect one or two pieces of high quality writing with the initial drafts/edits and the final published piece together each half term. Support resources can be found on the link included in the box above.

5. 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 Aaron in Year 3, he has been awarded with Beaver of the year for 3rd Worthing riverbank colony.



6. External events – all -information







WHY COMMUNITY FRIENDS?

Loneliness and lack of a sense of belonging or community, is a growing national problem, seen by many agencies as one of the largest health concerns we face and it is increasingly affecting all ages

The problem is now so serious that the Government has appointed a Minister for Loneliness (Tracey Croucher)

Statistics, including a BBC Survey in December 2017 suggest 20% of our population will be feeling lonely some or all the time

Our Objectives

To engage with our community, especially those struggling with loneliness by providing a regular weekly social meeting, , to improve wellbeing by enabling new friendship and a sense of belonging with a variety of fun and engaging

For those interested there will be opportunity develop their spiritual journey at St.George's



