



**CHESSWOOD  
JUNIOR SCHOOL**

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**Weekly Communication  
Edition 01  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

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

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> – Individual School Photographs**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup>: Year 3 Meet the Teacher**

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>: Year 4 Meet the Teacher**

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>: Year 5 Meet the Teacher**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup>: Year 6 Meet the Teacher**

## **Individual School photographs will be taking place on Monday & Tuesday**

### **1. Free School Meals – All – Action**

Free School Meal Registration – We need your help NOW!

We would like to appeal to families who meet the following criteria to register for free school meals. By registering your child they do not need to have a free school meal but it does mean they will be entitled to an extra £1300 each year for at least six years to help support their learning and access to school activities:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

The funding is used in a variety of ways with school to benefit registered children, such as:

- Additional support in school – teaching assistant support in the classroom; counselling services within school; pastoral support available every day

- High need, high support class – the funding also enables us to maintain a very small support class in Y6 which also reduces class sizes in all other classes within the year group. This very valuable arrangement could be extended if all eligible parents registered for FSM.
- Tutorial support – there are up to two one hour sessions available for children registered for FSM to enjoy and benefit from small group teaching sessions with their own class teacher.
- Extra music support i.e.: Rocksteady
- Free breakfast club access with IXL club
- School visits: financial support available to ensure children can access day and residential visits

Your child does not have to have a free meal daily but if they would like to, the school will ensure one is available (with prior notice).

Please act now if you believe you would be eligible. If you need any help or have any questions queries of concerns please contact:

Mrs Rainford – [trainford@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:trainford@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk) within the school office – don't delay do it today!

## 2. Meet the teacher Session – All – Action

As the new Year is now well underway, we are offering you an opportunity to meet your child's new class teacher. The short session (45 mins) will enable your child's new teacher to introduce themselves; share important information about this year's curriculum, homework and other 'housekeeping' information e.g. important dates, trips, weekly timetable, how to get in contact with the class teacher etc. Year 6 teachers will also focus on the Y6 National Test arrangements and appropriate (low stress!) preparation for them. Parents will also have the opportunity to ask general questions about the year to ensure you are in a good position to support your child.

Day	Time	Year Group
Monday 10th September	3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	3
Tuesday 11th September	3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	4
Thursday 13th September	3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	5
Friday 14th September	3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	6

The first parents evenings of the year will be

- Tuesday 9th October 3:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. (last appointment 5:20 p.m.)
- Thursday 11th October 3:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. (last appointment 7:20 p.m.)

Booking will open for the parents evening, week beginning 17th September – we will write to all parents with details on how to book, at that time.

## 3. Medical – All – Action

Please ensure that you have informed the office of any new medical requirements and ensure that any ongoing illnesses and or medication has been documented. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Miss Bushby the school's Medical Lead.

## 4. Guide Dog – All – Action

Please can we remind parents to not allow their children to pet the guide dog that is sometimes on the school premises, it is a "working dog" that helps its owner get around. Distracting the dog can puts its owner at risk of danger.

## 5. Summer Reading Challenge – All – Action

Well done to everyone that took part in the Summer Reading Challenge. We had an excellent response and really enjoyed looking at all of the photos. If you haven't already done so, please email Miss Taylor [library@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:library@chesswood.w-sussex.sch.uk) – pupils will be awarded 10 house points for their photo of them reading and 25 house points if they completed the Library Reading Challenge.

Photos will be displayed in the Upper School Library.



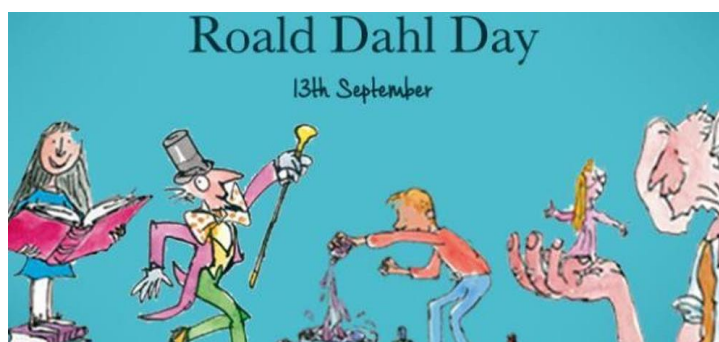
If you would like to accompany your child in helping them choose a book, please feel free to do so before or after school; Miss Taylor will be in the library Monday and Thursday after school if you require any guidance.

We now have a permanent book shop located outside of Mr Jolley's office, parents can browse the discount books with their children before and after school and then take them to Reception to purchase.



On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September we will be celebrating Roald Dahl Day with a special book sale – a variety of Roald Dahl classic books will be on sale for the bargain price of £2 per book. Children are invited to bring in £2 and purchase a book at lunchtime and the sale will continue after school on the front playground.

If Children would like to write a book review on a Roald Dahl book, they will receive 25 housepoints. Completed reviews need to be handed to Miss Taylor in the Library.



## 6. Secondary Transfer – Year 6 – Action

Please see the below poster with details on secondary transfer, you will receive further details in a letter next week.

www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions



# Is your child due to transfer to secondary school in September 2019?

**Apply online!** It's simple, convenient and timesaving. If your application is received after the deadline of Wednesday 31 October 2018 your chance of securing a place at one of your preference schools could be seriously affected.

You can apply online from Monday 10 September 2018. If you would like further advice or information contact:

**03330 142 903**

Free internet access to apply online is available at all at:

- West Sussex libraries; and
- Children and Family Centres.



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Apply online at:  
[www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions)  
**Deadline: Wednesday 31 October 2018**



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**Davison CE High School for Girls** - Open Mornings - 9am to 11am on Wednesday 19th, Thursday 20th, Friday 21st, Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th September - *no appointment required, just arrive for a 9am start*

Open Evening - 5.30pm to 8pm on Tuesday 2nd October





## Downsbrook Out of School Club



\*\*Breakfast Club \*\* After school club \*\* Holiday Club

Downsbrook Primary School  	Whytemead Primary School  	Bramber Primary School  	Springfield Infant School  	Lyndhurst Infant School  
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Downsbrook Primary School, Dominion Road, Worthing  
 Tel: 07857735000/ 01903 600577  
 Email: [afterschool@downsbrook.eu](mailto:afterschool@downsbrook.eu)



## Chesswood After School Club



\*\*After school club\*\*

Chesswood Junior School  	Springfield Infant School Siblings of Chesswood children  	Lyndhurst Infant School Siblings of Chesswood children  
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Chesswood Junior School, Chesswood Road, Worthing  
 Tel: 07752098016 / 01903 600577  
 Email: [chesswoodclub@outlook.com](mailto:chesswoodclub@outlook.com)

Quality childcare for children aged 4-11 years

Flexible sessions

Open term time until 6pm

Holiday club open from 8am-6pm (at the Downsbrook club)

Qualified caring staff

Ofsted registered



## "St George's"

### Tuesday 11th September

### 3.30-5.30pm

St George's Church  
St George's Road

Come & join us for crafts,  
games, celebration & a meal

No charge, no need to book  
Donations appreciated

For further details contact  
Kathryn 07594608590

[www.stgeorgesworthing.org.uk](http://www.stgeorgesworthing.org.uk)