



# CFS Weekly Bulletin

## Wednesday 16 February 2022

### Important Dates and Events for Week Beginning 1 March 2022

- **Whole School - Monday** – Inset Day and Year 11 Revision sessions
- **Whole School - Tuesday** – Back to school – clubs on as usual
- **Year 1: Wednesday** – Sea Life Centre Trip
- **Year 9: Wednesday** – Dare to Dream workshop
- **Secondary: Wednesday** - Corporate Challenge First Race
- **Whole School: Thursday** – World Book Day. Primary dress up, Secondary non-uniform.
- **Secondary: Thursday** – **U13s and U15s Lady Taverners**

Week 1 timetable for Secondary pupils.

### Updates and Reminders

- **All:** Our half termly magazine will be emailed out tomorrow.
- **All:** We have had a recent re-focus on our high expectations and standards of school uniform. Where concerns have been raised with you, we ask that these are addressed over the half term break - thank you for this in advance. A reminder of a few key points please:
  - all pupils in Years 3 and above should wear a House tie
  - no facial piercings are allowed in school
  - skirts must not be tight fitting or made from stretchy material. We are still seeing some pupils with skirts made out of the right material but that are not loose fitting; anything tight fitting is not permitted as agreed by pupils and parents in our Home School agreement.

Thank you for your support in ensuring that all pupils are in correct uniform after the half term break. Where concerns persist, we will provide an alternative for wearing in the school day and will issue sanctions/contact home where appropriate.

All schools in the country have been asked by the Department for Education to review their school uniform over the coming months to ensure inclusivity and flexibility. Whilst we made changes to our uniform last year to support this approach in advance, in line with this new guidance we will conduct an additional formal review over the next term - seeking the support of pupils, the Parental Ambassadors and the parental body as a whole. More information to follow next term.

- **All:** There has been a concerning increase over the last few weeks of parents who are not driving with due care and attention whilst on or near the School site. We are regularly seeing parents ignoring the zebra crossing, even when duty staff are directing pupils across, or using the bus stops as a method to do U-turns on the busy Hunston Road. Thank you to all those who are patient and considerate when dropping off and picking up their children from school.
- **All:** World Book Day is on Thursday 3 March. Primary pupils, please start thinking about what amazing book characters you want to dress up as. Secondary pupils, it will be a non-uniform day. A minimum donation of £1 is welcomed. Payment can be made on ParentPay.



- **All:** Our next Bags2School pick up is Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March. Please spend time over half term, digging out unwanted clothes, shoes, handbags, belts and accessories. Remember no uniform, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please.
- **All:** Our Quiz Night is on Friday 18 March. Details can be found on the poster on our website. <https://www.chichesterfreeschool.org.uk/weekly-bulletin/>
- **Primary:** Forest School is back on for Years 6, 5 and Reception on the same days as the previous half term.
- **Year 9:** Guided Choices deadline is 28 February. Please complete your online choices by then. Details can be found here. <https://www.chichesterfreeschool.org.uk/year-9-guided-choices/>
- **Year 11:** Leavers hoodies need to be ordered by 28 February. Details are in the email sent.

## Recruitment/Volunteer Opportunities

- **All:** We are looking for some **exam invigilators** for the GCSE exams this summer, running from 16 May until 24 June 2022. If you are interested, or know anyone, who would be able to support across the whole period, we do have some paid positions available. Alternatively, if you are able to help out on particular half days throughout the exam period, then we are also looking for volunteers to support the main team of invigilators. Any help would be greatly appreciated during this important time for our Year 11 pupils. Please contact David Collins, Exams Manager, on [exams@chichesterfreeschool.org.uk](mailto:exams@chichesterfreeschool.org.uk), if you are able to help or would like any more information.
- **All:** The Primary team are looking for volunteers to help with a number of aspects of the school day, from lunchtime supervision to hearing children read. If you are able to help in any way, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Mrs Harris in the Primary Office to register your interest. [primaryoffice@chichesterfreeschool.org.uk](mailto:primaryoffice@chichesterfreeschool.org.uk)  
Please note that primary lunch takes place between 12:00pm and 1:00pm each day; reading times can be flexible.
- **All:** We have a number of recruitment vacancies live on our website. <https://www.chichesterfreeschool.org.uk/recruitment/>

## Covid Reminders

We are continuing to follow the Government guidance for Covid. i.e.

- If your child tests positive on a lateral flow but shows NO symptoms, they do not need to take a PCR test. Isolation should start from the date of the positive lateral flow.
- If your child tests positive on a lateral flow and DOES show symptoms, they need to get a PCR test and isolate until the result is through.
- If your child is currently isolating, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and on the morning of day 6 they may leave isolation immediately and come to school on that same day. The lateral flow tests must be taken 24hrs apart.

**To keep our pupils and staff safe please do not send your child to school if they display any of these 3 symptoms, no matter how mild they are:**

1. **Persistent cough**
2. **High temperature (anything over 38 degrees)**
3. **Loss of taste and/or smell**