



CFS Weekly Bulletin

Thursday 27 January 2022

Important Dates and Events for Week Beginning 31 January 2022

- **Whole School: All week** – Community Focus
- **Year 10: All week** – GCSE PE trip
- **Year 6: Tuesday** - Forest School begins
- **Year 11: Wednesday** – Reports home to parents
- **Reception: Thursday** – Forest School begins
- **Year 5: Friday** – Forest School begins

Week 2 timetable for Secondary pupils.

Updates and Reminders

- **All:** The school production that was due to take place in February has been postponed and will be re-scheduled for later on in the school year.
- **All:** In the Primary library, the School uses the Accelerated Reader Scheme which monitors the children's reading and comprehension progress. One of the incentives we use to encourage and promote a love of reading is the weekly word count with children adding to their individual and class total every time they pass a short quiz on the latest book they have read. This year we are using a motivational raffle ticket prize system with amazing prizes planned for the lucky winners. If you feel you could donate a prize, (new condition and suitable for Years 3-6) please contact Ms Skinner on rskinner@chichesterfreeschool.org.uk
Many thanks.
- **All:** The work of our 'Careers Education' within CFS is of huge importance in preparing our pupils for life beyond school. We are looking to put together a database of parents (from all year groups and from all types of employment) who would be willing to support us in some form with this work. More information about this request can be read on our website here: <https://www.chichesterfreeschool.org.uk/weekly-bulletin/> as well as what this support might entail and how to register interest; please do not under-estimate the impact you could have on a young person's future by helping out!
- **All:** Please see a letter on our website from WSCC regarding E Scooters which we've been asked to share. <https://www.chichesterfreeschool.org.uk/weekly-bulletin/>
- **Primary:** We have seen an increase in toys coming into school from home and there is a concern that they could get lost or damaged. In order to reduce the risk of this happening, we'd be grateful if children could not bring toys into school from home. Any toys seen in school will be removed by school staff and returned at the end of the day. There will of course be items that children want to bring in for show and tell or when previously agreed by the class teacher but these should not be toys. Thank you for your continued support.
- **Secondary:** As per the national guidance, there is now no requirement for secondary pupils to wear masks in school. However, we will support those pupils that do wish to continue wearing them.



- **Year 5:** The second payment for the residential trip is due shortly. Details are on ParentPay.
- **Year 7 & 8:** REMINDER to sign up for the Bikeability scheme (cycling proficiency) which is free of charge using the link here <https://chichesterfree.schoolcloud.co.uk/>.
- **Year 8 & 9:** REMINDER, to register interest for the first aid course using the link here. <https://chichesterfree.schoolcloud.co.uk/>.
- **Year 10:** Work Experience placements. Pupils had an assembly with Mr Angell last week which introduced them to the need for finding work experience placements. Work Experience Week will be from Monday 4th - 8th July, with a placement required for the Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. On this first occasion we are asking pupils to explore through their parent/carer connections the possibility of finding a place of work to do this in. If this is not possible, there will be further options made available in due course but this number is limited. On our website here <https://www.chichesterfreeschool.org.uk/weekly-bulletin/> is the letter given to each pupil for collecting possible placement information on. The deadline for this letter to be returned is 14th February so that an external company called EBP South can do the legal checks and organisation to make the placement happen. Should you want to discuss this further then do please email Mr Angell on: rangell@chichesterfreeschool.org.uk
- **Year 11:** Please see the links here to Open Events at Chichester college on 10th March <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/chichester-college-open-event-thursday-10-march-tickets-243020539977> and Brinsbury College on 12th March. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/brinsbury-college-open-event-saturday-12-march-tickets-247201104157>

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, 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
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**

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