

I. Dates & Events

Event	Yr	Date	Time
Half-term	All	Mon 28th Oct – Fri 1st Nov	
INSET Day (school closed for pupils)	All	Monday 4 th November	All day
Tour for prospective parents/carers (5)		Tuesday 5 th November	9.15–10.15am
Remembrance Assembly – parents/carers welcome	Y1 – 6	Monday 11 th November	10.45–11.15am
Chartwells – Knife & Fork Workshops	YR & Y2	Thursday 14 th November	am & pm
Y5 Terrapin Showcase – parents/carers welcome	Y5 Terr	Friday 15 th November	9.15am
Chartwells – Hungry Caterpillar Workshops	YR & Y1	Friday 15 th November	am & pm
PTA – KSI Film Night	Y1 & Y2	Friday 15 th November	3.10 – 5pm

Don't forget to check the dates for the whole term on the website!

2. **NEW DATES / AMENDMENTS TO DATES:**

- Y5 Terrapin Showcase – Friday 15th November, 9.15am
- Y5 Turtle Showcase – Friday 22nd November, 9.15am
- Parent/Carer Forum on Personal Social Health & Economic (PSHE) education – Tuesday 26th November, 9-10am
- Y6 Oyster Class Living Wax Museum – Wednesday 27th November, 9 – 9.30am
- Y6 Coral Class Living Wax Museum – Friday 29th November, 9 – 9.30am
- Merry Mince Pies – Tuesday 17th December, 2 – 3pm
- Chartwells Christmas Dinner – Thursday 19th December (details to follow after half-term)

INFORMATION ABOUT UPCOMING EVENTS

- **INSET Day:** Monday 4th November is an INSET day so the school is closed for pupils.

3. **Letters sent home this week:** Click on the link to see past letters <http://www.stnicolasmarty.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Letters+Sent+Home&pid=56>

- **EY & KSI** – Information from Drama workshop
- **ALL** – PSHE policy
- **Y6** – Residential Trip to Dalesdown 2020
- **Penguins** – Change to PPA

4. **Clubs:** to check if clubs are running, see the *Extra-curricular Activities* page on the website [Extra-Curricular Activities](#)5. **Worship & Ethos:**





He said 'My presence will go with you and I will give you rest' Exodus 33:14

Look at the World, Saturday 26th October, 3pm – 5pm, St Giles Church, Upper Shoreham Road, Shoreham by Sea. Come and explore the beauty of creation in Worship and play – Learning to take care of the gifts we have received. Come and join the Celebration, crafts, play, food and loads of fun.

6. **National School Meals Week:** As part of National Schools Meals Week Chartwells are holding a 'National Roast Dinner Day' Competition. The school with the highest percentage of children having a hot school meal will win a school worth of FREE Christmas lunches – please see the poster attached for more details. If your child has a dietary requirement that Chartwells are not already aware of please follow the link to read the [West Sussex Special Diet Process](#) which includes a form to return to Chartwells.7. **Thank you!**

- **Survey:** Thank you to all parents and carers who completed our survey. We will publish the results shortly.
- **Library:** Thank you to all parents who sponsored a book for our library. A total of £145 was raised with 29 more books going into our library! We have shown many parents around the school in recent weeks who are impressed with our library, the generosity of parents and hardwork of the PTA to keep it top notch!

8. CHRISTMAS NEWS

-  **Chartwells Christmas Dinner** – Thursday 19th December: if your child is in Years 3, 4, 5 or 6 and they would like to have a Christmas dinner on this day, you will need to book a meal for them – details to follow after half-term.
-  **Christmas Cards:** the children have been busy creating their Christmas cards this week! The art work and how to order any items will be sent home after half-term.
-  **Christmas Fayre:** Friday 29th November, 3.15 – 6pm (see flyer at end of bulletin)
-  **Christmas Hampers for Raffle:** please see flyer at end of bulletin for details

9. Ready for Winter? Pupils and staff in schools are particularly susceptible to infections which increase over the winter months, such as seasonal influenza (flu) and stomach infections (such as norovirus). These can be very infectious and cause outbreaks in school settings due to close contact. Here are the top tips from the NHS for parents/carers to help to reduce the spread of infections:

- Arrange for your child to have the flu vaccination if they haven't already had it in school (all children aged two and three years old can get the nasal spray vaccine at their general practice).
- Collect children promptly if they become unwell in school.
- Keep children at home for 48 hours after the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea to stop the spread of the infection to other children and staff.
- Remind children about the importance of hand washing and show them how to wash their hands thoroughly with soap and warm water.
- Remind children about using disposable tissues to cover their nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing, to put the tissue in a bin as soon as possible and then to wash their hands.

10. Applying for a school place for September 2020: parents & carers applying for a place need to:

- Complete the [County Admissions Form](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions) (online) by Wednesday 15th January 2020 (compulsory).
- Complete and return the [Supplementary Information Form](#) to school by 4pm on Wednesday 15th January 2020.
- If you are a regular worshipper, please ask your Minister / Priest to complete the [Church Support Form](#), and ask him/her to return the form to the school by 4pm on Wednesday 15th January 2020.

School Admissions Drop In Sessions: WSCC is running three drop in sessions across Adur and Worthing. The sessions are for parents and carers who have questions about their child's admission to school in September 2020 or who may just need a bit of support in completing the application form – please see the flyer on page 3.

11. Requests & Reminders

- **Entrance to School Buildings:** Now that children have settled into school routines, parents/carers should only be coming into school building if you have signed in at the school office and are wearing a parent helper or visitor lanyard (the only exception to this is for nursery parents/carers). Otherwise please remain on the school playground. There are a number of reasons why this is important:
 - To ensure the school can monitor who is in school and remain in line with safeguarding, safety and security policies
 - To ensure arrival and departure from the school building is organised and calm, if all parents/carers wanted to see their children into the building it would be unmanageable
 - To allow staff to focus on the children rather than parents/carers at the start of the school dayIf you need assistance or have a question at the beginning or end of the school day please speak to a member of staff on the playground or go to the school office. The best time to catch teachers is at the end of the school day. Please don't feel offended if a member of staff challenges you, we are extremely grateful to all the parents/carers that come into school to help but at the same time we must prioritise the safety of all children and ensure a calm and efficient start to the school day.
- **Smoking:** Smoking (including use of electronic cigarettes) is not permitted on the school premises, near the school gates or by the perimeter fence.
- **Fir Cones please!** While you are out and about this half term, the PTA have asked if you could collect small/medium sized fir cones to be used for wreath making and Fayre Cones. Thank you.

www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions



Was your child born between
1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016?

If so they are eligible to start
school in September 2020.

Apply online!

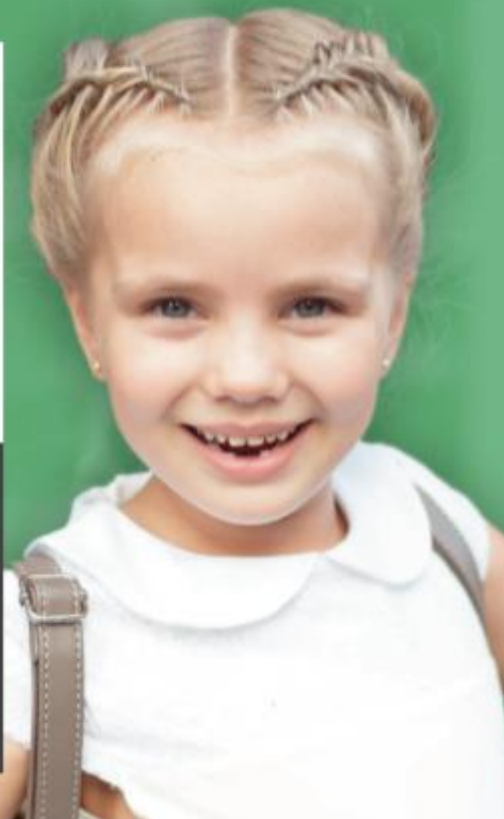
It's simple, convenient
and timesaving. If your
application is received after
the deadline of Wednesday
15 January 2020 your chance
of securing a place at one of
your preference schools could
be seriously affected.

You can apply online from Monday
7 October 2019. If you would like
further advice or information contact:

☎ 03330 142 903

Free internet access to apply
online is available at all:

- West Sussex libraries
- Children and Family Centres



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Apply online at:

□ www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions

Deadline: Wednesday 15 January 2020



school admissions

information drop-in sessions

If you have a child who is starting school in
September 2020 and would like to know more about
how to apply for a school place, or what support is
available to you, then please come along to one of
our information drop-in sessions.

Maybridge Children & Family Centre

Monday 4th November 1.00pm to 3.00pm

Maybridge Children & Family Centre

The Strand, Worthing

BN12 6DR

01903 276890



Footprints (Lyndhurst Road)

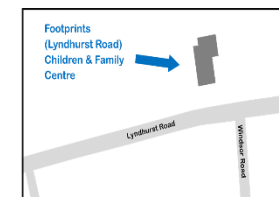
Thursday 7th November 10.00am to 12.00pm

Footprints Children & Family Centre

Lyndhurst Road, Worthing

BN11 2DG

01903 270424



Lancing Children & Family Centre

Monday 11th November 1.00pm to 3.00pm

Lancing Children & Family Centre

North Road, Lancing

BN15 9AB

01903 276898



STAY FOR A SCHOOL LUNCH

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NATIONAL SCHOOL MEALS WEEK

JOIN US
ON

Wednesday 13th November

The school with the most meals eaten on this day* WINS a free Christmas dinner for every child in your school!

THE MENU WILL BE

Choose a main meal...

Roast Chicken in Gravy with Roast Potatoes

Whole chicken breast in gravy
Quorn Balls in Gravy with Roast Potatoes v

Quorn balls in a vegetarian gravy

Jacket Potato with Cheese v

on the side...

Seasonal Vegetables

for dessert...

Muesli Flapjack

Fruit Salad

Book yours online by Friday 1st November at westsussex.mealselector.co.uk

*by percentage

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TUESDAY 29TH AND WEDNESDAY 30TH OCTOBER

12 PM - 1PM

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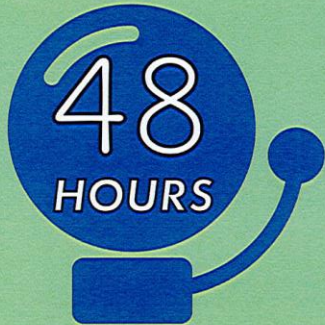
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CONTACT FR. JAMES GRANT ON 01273 593167 TO BOOK



Diarrhoea and vomiting in children

There's no specific cure for stomach bugs such as **Norovirus**. See tips to reduce the spread and treat symptoms

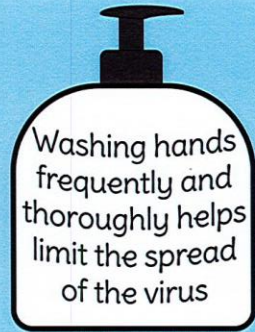
Keep kids home from school for



after symptoms have passed. This is enough time to let the virus run its course

If your child already has a serious illness, or symptoms last longer than a few days, contact your GP to seek advice

Visit [nhs.uk/norovirus](https://www.nhs.uk/norovirus)



25 different strains of Norovirus are known to affect humans.

They're the most common cause of stomach bugs in the UK

Home Treatment



Paracetamol is useful for fever or aches and pains



Give kids plenty of water to stay hydrated and replace lost fluids



If your child feels like eating, give them bland foods

CATCH IT

Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.



BIN IT

Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.



KILL IT

Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as you can.



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FREE storytelling at Children's Book Festival Launch **3.30pm-5.30pm on 8th-10th November 2019**

Following the success of last year's inaugural event, Ropetackle Arts Centre, Shoreham are again hosting a wonderful mix of writers, together with some amazing new books over the weekend of 8th-10th November 2019 at a very special Children's literature festival.

The Children's BookFest kicks off with a launch between 3.30pm-5.30pm on Friday 8th November with **FREE storytelling from *Maisy Mouse* and characters from *We're Going on a Bear Hunt***, aimed at younger audiences.

Children's author Kate di Camillo once wrote '*Reading should not be presented to children as a chore or duty. It should be offered to them as a precious gift.*' And the vision of this festival is just that. Aimed at a wide-ranging audience encompassing infants, juniors and teens, with a couple of events also aimed specifically at adults and a 'snowy' family finale theatrical performance on the last day, the event promises to be both a fun-filled and instructive weekend. A host of well-known authors, artists and illustrators will be telling stories, presenting workshops and signing books, all aiming to inspire creativity in writing, art and also play!

At the other end of the spectrum, at 7.30pm, poet, performer, broadcaster, scriptwriter and author of over 140 books, Michael Rosen, will be hosting an entertaining show for adults on why we need more play in our lives, exploring the influence on everyone from Dickens to Dali. Anxious **adults** or anyone who wakes in the night will also enjoy tales from Guardian journalist Stewart Heritage at 8pm on Saturday 9th November, based around his book '*Bedtime Stories for Worried Liberals*'.

On Saturday 9th November, **younger children** will be able to let their imaginations run wild with both fiction from award-winning writer and illustrator Adam Stower as he shares the 2nd book in the King Coo series - '*The Curse of the Mummy's Gold*' and non-fiction author-illustrator Simon Tyler, who will wow with real stories of our wild world through his '*Adventures on Earth*'. Illustrator and Editor Jake Williams will also be taking his audiences of 7+ around the globe but this time on a journey with Charles Darwin, discovering the building blocks of evolution and the amazing creatures alive at the time.

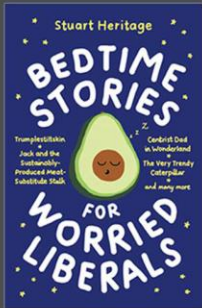
Sports fans (aged 9-12) will enjoy meeting Rebecca Stevens, and finding out more about Lily (from her book '*Lily & The Rockets*') and other real-life stories of the first female footballers. They will also be entertained by Thomas Taylor's latest supernatural classic about the monstrous Malamander that could be lurking amidst rocks by Eerie-on-Sea.

Meanwhile '*Sea-ing is Believing*' according to local author Steve Butler and illustrator Steven Lenton, who will be elaborating on the latest book in their fantastically funning 'The Nothing To See Here Hotel' series.

Also on Saturday, young adults may like to come to one or all three of the literary events dedicated to their age range and hosted by some more fantastic authors. From Ana Sampson's insight into her mission of collating bold, brave and beautiful poems from suffragettes to superstars for '*She is Fierce*', or award-winning author Frances Hardinge, sharing her writing style and insights from her latest book '*Deeplight*', or journalist and blogger Bethany Rutter's debut novel on first crushes to loving yourself, there is a lot for them to get their teeth into.

And if that's not enough, both Emily Gravett's '*Meercat Christmas*' for little ones on Saturday and performances of **interactive theatre show *Snow Play for the family*** on Sunday should be enough to bring you gently into the festive season, with book signings to give you some ideas for Father Christmas at the same time!

A Saturday Festival Pass entitling you to entry into every children and young adults session costs just £15 per person or £6 per individual session. Michael Rosen and Stuart Heritage's shows for grown-ups cost £8 and Snow Play costs £10 pp or £36 for a family of four. You can just turn up for the storytelling launch event on Friday but booking is highly recommended for all other event. For more information and tickets please visit: <https://ropetacklecentre.co.uk/whats-on/childrensbookfestival/>



Stuart Heritage's Bedtime Stories For Worried Liberals
(A show for grown-ups)
Saturday 9th November | 8pm | £8

Anxious? Angry? Waking up in the middle of the night to worry about plastic pollution, Brexit and why everything seems to be so horrible all the time? Guardian Journalist Stuart Heritage will be sharing stories including: Trumplesfilskin and The Very Trendy Caterpillar.

Snow Play

Sunday 10th November | 11:30am + 2pm
£10 pp or £36 family of four

What would you do if one year Winter decided to stay and moved into your house? You would have icicles in the kitchen and snow all over your bed! Well that's what happens in our snowy spectacular show where you are guaranteed a white Christmas, no matter what the weather or the time of year. An interactive show with massive snowball fight finale!



Saturday Festival Pass

£15 per person

Or

£6 per individual ticket



Access to all events for children and young people
(Excludes Stuart Heritage)

Seats must be reserved in advance either online, through the box office or entry on the door (subject to availability)

Authors will be in the Ropetackle café for book signings after each event in partnership with City Books Hove

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8th - 10th Nov
from tots to teens

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Festival Launch
Free 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm
Friday 8th November

Storytelling with your favourite characters

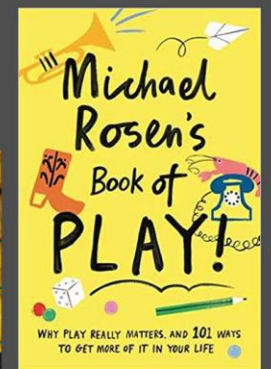
Maisy Mouse & Bear Hunt



Friday 8th November
7:30pm | £8

Michael Rosen explains why we need more play in our lives. He explores the influence of play on everyone from Shakespeare to Dickens and Dali, delving into the history of play via puns, nonsense, improvisation and physical toys - as well as providing advice on how best to play.

(A show for grown ups)



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