



We have been really proud of how well the children have settled into their new classes this term. We are all excited to see this continue throughout the year. Have a great weekend and good luck to any parents taking part in the Brighton Marathon this weekend and of course our children participating in the Mini Mile. (If you have any photographs of the day that you would like to share, please email them to the school office as we would love to add them to next week's bulletin).

Mr Lincoln, Mr Etherton & the Senior Leadership Team

1. COMMUNICATION

- **Website:** please check the website for answers to any queries before contacting the office. Information about the school day, attendance & absence, medical issues, uniform, food & drink can be found under the Parents & Carers tab. Bulletins and letters can be found under Parents & Carers > News & Events
- **Emails:** please use office@stnm.org.uk to contact the school with queries.
- **Calendar:** term dates, upcoming events etc (can be filtered by year group). Follow the link for instructions on how to [use](#) or [subscribe](#) to the calendar.
- **Letters/Emails sent home this week:** click on the link for past letters:
<http://www.stnicolasmary.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Letters+Sent+Home&pid=56>
→ Y6 Truleigh Hill Trip
→ Y1 & Y4: Jamie Crawford Storytelling

2. DATES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

- Wednesday 29th September: Y6 Newhaven Fort
- Monday 11th - Friday 15th October: Y6 Bikeability Week

3. **RECRUITMENT:** we are currently looking to recruit a **Premises Assistant**. Duties would include minor maintenance and basic DIY, light grounds maintenance, managing cleaning supplies and general caretaking duties and opening up the building in the morning and locking up at the end of the day. The days/hours per week are negotiable. Further information and the application form can be found at www.westsussex.gov.uk/living/jobs/working_for_us/teacher_recruitment/school_job_search.aspx

4. SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN DAYS:

- **Our Lady of Sion:** Our Lady of Sion school is holding their open morning on Saturday 25th September. To book a time to visit please email admissions@sionschool.org.uk www.sionschool.org.uk
- **St Andrew's CE High School:** St Andrew's is holding an open evening on Wednesday 22nd September. The doors open at 4.30pm. The presentations will be at 4.45pm, 5.45pm and 6.45pm. You can book a space at one of these by [clicking here](#).
- **Davison CE High School for Girls:** Davison's open morning is Thursday 23rd September. There is no need to book. The school prospectus can be found [here](#).

5. **SNACKS:** Please do not send in snacks for EYFS or KS1 children as healthy snacks are provided for them. For KS2 children, please only send in fruit and vegetables.
6. **PE KIT:** Please ensure your child has their full named PE kit in school, along with plimsolls for EYFS & KS1 or outdoor shoes for KS2.
7. **ACCELERATED READER BOOKS:** We are busy setting up the Accelerated Reader log ins for KS2 children this year and also getting the library ready for use again. This means that children will not be bringing home AR reading books until later next week. In the meantime, please encourage them to read books from home or the public library. Please also take this opportunity to have a look for any school books at home, which were sent home during lockdown or read last term. According to our records we are missing a large number of books from the library and it would be wonderful to have them returned again. If you find any school books, please return them to the school office. Many thanks for your support.

8. **MARATHON RUNNERS:** We are very proud of our 72 Marathon runners. Despite Covid, self isolations and lockdowns, these children and adults were our marathon runners last year. 48 ran 1 marathon (42.2K); 17 ran 2 marathons (84.4), 6 ran 3 (126.6K) and our Champion Marathon runner - James in year 4 last year - ran 4 marathons or 168.8K or 676 laps of our field. A phenomenal achievement! We are excited to see what our awesome runners can do in an uninterrupted year. Marathon Kids lunchtime running starts next week.



9. **ST NICOLAS CHURCH JUNIOR**

CHOIR: The choir is relaunching this Friday 10th September and they are looking for children from age 5 to join them for practice on Fridays 6-6.30pm in St Nicolas Church. The choir is led by our organist Becky Matthews and supported by our other organist and senior choir director Lena Urquhart. The Junior Choir helps to lead singing at our Family Service on the 1st Sunday of the month. Please get in touch if you would like to give it a try. Come and sing and have a good time! Get in touch with me for further info.

10. **CORONAVIRUS – IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

- **West Sussex advice for parents, carers and pupils:** www.westsussex.gov.uk/backtoschool
- **DfE guidance:** the DfE has also produced a leaflet on returning to school: [Return to primary school leaflet](#)

11. **SCHOOL CENSUS, THURSDAY 7th OCTOBER:** It is vital that we secure the full level of funding to which we are entitled for Free School Meals. The government provides funding for each child that has a free school meal on the two census dates in October and January. If your child is entitled to a free school meal (including all children in YR, 1 and 2) they will be offered a hot meal on these dates, therefore they do not need to bring in a packed lunch. 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, otherwise you need take no further action (please see the Children’s Choice Menu attached to the bulletin).

£2.33

Lunch Menu

Thursday 7th OCTOBER

Choose a main

Macaroni Cheese

Chicken Fillet Sandwich
& Potatoes

on the side...

Baked Beans or
Salad

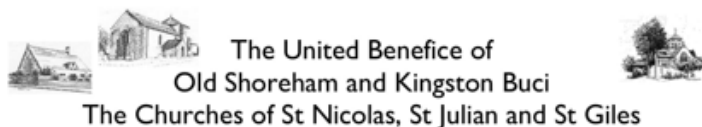
for dessert...

****Chocolate Fudge Brownie****

for drink....

Blackcurrant Squash,
Milk or Water

Orders must be placed by
SUNDAY 26th SEPTEMBER 2021
Special diet requests no later than Monday 13th SEPTEMBER 2021
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The United Benefice of
Old Shoreham and Kingston Buci
The Churches of St Nicolas, St Julian and St Giles

Term Card – Autumn 2021

Services for Children and their Families

St Nicolas'

(all services begin at 10am):

Family Service:

5th September; 3rd October (Harvest);
7th November; 5th December
(Patronal Festival)

St Giles'

(all services begin at 10am):

Family Service:

5th September; 3rd October (Harvest),
5th December (Advent)

Messy Church:

every 4th Saturday 3-5pm
25th September; 23rd October;
27th November

Kingston Buci Sunday School

(during the main Sunday service
at 10am meeting in the Church
Hall):

St Julian's:

12th September; 10th October;
14th November; 12th December

St Giles:

19th September; 17th October; 21st
November;

Special Services in the Autumn:

Messy Christingle:	18 th December 4pm @ St Giles'
Carols For All:	19 th December 4pm @ St Julian's
Crib Service:	24 th December 3pm @ St Nicolas'
Crib Service:	24 th December 4pm @ St Giles'
Christmas Day Service:	25 December 10am @ St Nicolas'

STARTING THIS WEEK! SEPTEMBER 10TH

GIRLS DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

**DEVELOPMENT COURSES:
FRIDAY'S @ 6PM - 7PM**

**AGES 6 - 13
ALL ABILITIES**

**VENUE:
THE SIR ROBERT WOODARD
ACADEMY, BN15 9QZ**



STARTING THIS WEEK! SEPTEMBER 9TH

THURSDAY DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

**SCHOOL YEARS
3 - 8**

**BOYS & GIRLS
ALL ABILITIES**

THURSDAY'S - 6PM - 7PM

**VENUE:
THE SIR ROBERT WOODARD
ACADEMY, LANCING,
BN15 9QZ**



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- help your children settle in school
- give your child tools for managing their big feelings: increased anxiety, frustration, disappointment
- enjoy parenting in these strange times
- figure this all out in a supportive mini-community of ten parents

LIVE WITH KIM THREE 2-HOUR ONLINE GROUP SESSIONS

with parenting guide and author Kim McCabe

BONUS VIDEOS TO RECAP PLUS EXTRA GUIDANCE

to guide you through the week

PRIVATE FACEBOOK GROUP

if you want continued support during the week

What we can offer you

Interactive short-course for parents of school-aged children, helping you to do your best parenting in this time of uncertainty, guided live by best-selling author Kim McCabe.

Free for parents in West Sussex until March 2022 (subject to availability)



Is this for me?

- Is this for Dads too?
Absolutely, Dads are welcome and encouraged.
- I've a son aged 5, and daughters aged 8 and 15, is this course for me?
You will learn tools you can put into immediate use whatever your child's age or gender.
- Will recordings be available afterwards?
No, sessions are live, interactive and confidential so we won't record them.
- How can I contact the organizer with questions?
For more information about this course, Kim McCabe or her book, please email ukadmin@ritesforgirls.co.uk

"Just do it! Kim's the best, down-to-earth and not preachy"

Mother to toddler and teen and two inbetween

Eye-opening and supportive. Worth every minute."

Mum to boys, age 6 and 8

"It's made me a better mum. I want more!"

Mum to teen girls

"I'm still getting so much support from the others in my group too."

Single parent of girls, 10 and 8

"I got exactly what I came for, and more"

Dad to 10 year old

Who is Kim McCabe?

Kim McCabe, author of 'From Daughter to Woman' and founder director of Rites for Girls CIC specialises in guiding parents. She draws on thirty years experience of working with preteens and teens, of advising parents, and lessons she learned from her own mothering journey of two boys and a girl.

Interested?

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Kim McCabe
- founder director Rites for Girls

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