

1. Dates & Events

Event	Yr	Date	Time
Coffee and Chat – all parents & carers welcome	Parents & Carers	Monday 13 th January	9 – 10am
Y2 Lantern Making Workshop for Shoreham Light Parade (<i>parent/carer volunteers needed please!</i>)	Y2	Tuesday 14 th January	pm
Y5 Turtle – Music Showcase	Y5	Tuesday 21 st January	9.15am
Y5 Terrapin – Music Showcase	Y5	Tuesday 21 st January	2.45pm
Shoreham Light Parade	All	Saturday 25 th January	

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

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

- Please do have a look at the dates list on the website and make a note of any dates next term relevant to you.
- Y4 trip to Worthing Mosque – Tuesday 4th February
- YR visit from Guile's Reptiles – Wednesday 5th February
- Y1 Buckingham Palace Tea Party – Thursday 13th February
- Y2 trip to South Downs Planetarium – Friday 14th February

INFORMATION ABOUT UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Coffee and Chat**, Monday 13th January 9–10am: all parents and carers welcome to come and have an informal chat with Mr Lincoln. Revd Ann and Revd James will also be coming along for a cuppa! (This is an opportunity to discuss whole school issues, not individual pupils!)
- **Y2 Lantern Making**, Tuesday 14th January: if you are able to help with the lantern making for the afternoon please speak to Mrs MacDonald or Miss Sinden. Children will need a **CLEAN** plastic milk bottle (any size) – please send in ready for the workshop on Tuesday. Puffin class workshop will be 1-2pm and Penguin class workshop will be 2-3pm. Many thanks.
- **Shoreham Light Parade**, Saturday 25th January: the streets of Shoreham will be illuminated by lanterns in a parade around the town – the idea is to light up the town on what can be for many one of the most difficult times of the year. The Parade will start at the riverbank by Waterside pub, ending at 6pm at The Shoreham Centre via the Footbridge, East St and Churchyard. This year the theme of the parade is constellations. There will be Lantern Making Workshops in the Main Hall of The Shoreham Centre from 12pm-2pm (on Sat 25th), which will be run by a variety of local organisations and groups.

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

- All – Grow your own sunflower seeds
- Y3 – Drusillas trip
- Y2 – South Downs Planetarium trip
- YR – visit from Guile's Reptiles
- Y4 – visit to Mosque, Worthing

4. **Clubs:** Clubs will start next week beginning Monday 13th January 2020. Please see school website for clubs information.5. **Worship & Ethos**

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid". **John 14:27**

6. **Octopus & Starfish Clubs**

- Don't forget you can check your bookings by going on to your sQuid account – please note that office staff are happy to help with any queries, however, they are unable to check booked sessions for children, please check this on your own account.

- Bookings can be made for the 1st half of the spring term via sQuid. Please click on the 'Bookings' menu and navigate to 'Available Bookings' to select and book as required.
- Parents & carers of children who are new to the school can book and pay for sessions on sQuid, as above.
- Little Octopus & Little Starfish Club bookings for the 1st half of the spring term are available via sQuid. Please click on the 'Bookings' menu and navigate to 'Available Bookings' to select and book as required.

7. REQUESTS & REMINDERS

- **Earrings:** please note that magnetic earrings are not part of the school uniform and we would ask you all to check your child is not bringing/wearing them to school.

Extract from uniform policy: No jewellery to be worn except small stud earrings or cross on chain, which have to be removed for PE by the child. Covering earrings with micropore tape is not sufficient (this is in accordance with local authority policy and advice). Members of staff are not permitted to remove or insert earrings and cannot accept responsibility for the safe keeping of such items.

- **Reporting Absence – Studybugs:** don't forget that you can report your child's absence due to illness on the efficient and secure system Studybugs. If you haven't already done so, please get the free Studybugs app, or register on the Studybugs website, and use it to tell us whenever your child is ill and unable to attend school. Get the app or register now (<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>). Top 3 reasons to use Studybugs:
 1. It is integrated with our systems so we know right away if your child is unaccounted for.
 2. It is quick and easy to register and use and automatically reminds you to keep us posted.
 3. You will be helping the NHS and other public health organisations improve children's health (<https://studybugs.com/about/schools>)

Please remember that you must contact the school whenever your child is unable to attend by 9.30am at the very latest, on the first day of the child's absence and explain the reason for absence. You can do this either by phone, letter, email, request for absence form or Studybugs.

8. **CENSUS DAY – CHILDREN'S CHOICE MENU Thursday 16th January 2020:** 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 of 3rd October and 16th 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, even if they do not normally have a hot meal; 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 for more information [Special Diet Process](#), otherwise you need take no further action. Thank you.

9. PARENT/CARER COURSES

- **Understanding and Managing your child's behaviour:** Thursday 30th January, 9 – 10.30am (see flyer).
- **Your Space Therapies – Boost the Bond: The BEST Relationship with your Child:** a therapeutic parenting course, Wednesday 5th February 2020. This course will be at St Nic's 6-8pm (see flyer).
- **Parentalk – the Primary Years:** six sessions starting on Tuesday 28th January at Shoreham Baptist Church (see flyer).

10. **Parentalk:** please see the flyer later in the bulletin for details about a course being run by Mrs Marion Harding (former teacher at St Nic's) which is aimed at Reception, Y1 and Y2 parents and carers. Marion has run many of these courses and parents find them extremely useful and informative.

11. Pupil News

- a. **Tim Loughton MP – Christmas newsletter:** congratulations to Luke (YR-GW) who got a mention in



Tim's Christmas newsletter! *"During the election campaign all the walking around gives us a chance to slim down a bit. Seem to have lost most of it from my legs judging by the picture! A big thank you to Luke from St Nicolas and St Mary Primary School for his very kind illustration. I met Luke at a street surgery and was incredibly impressed by his determination to increase recycling at his school but was limited by lack of bins - I was delighted to be able to help and within 24 hours the council were in touch with the school and 5 wheelie bins are now being used in the playground."*



- b. **Harmonica performance:** well done to George who performed with his harmonica group at the Royal Alexandra hospital for children in Brighton just before Christmas – he even did a solo of *Santa Claus is coming to town!* They raised lots of money the Rocking Horse Appeal.

12. **Thank you:** A big thank you to Mrs Backshall-Wilkinson and Mrs Ringshaw (ably assisted by their very willing children) for braving a school hall full of children to share about the school recycling scheme and how well we have done in only a few weeks. As a school we are excited to see what we can achieve moving forward.

13. **ACTIVITIES & CLUBS RUN BY EXTERNAL PROVIDERS**

- **Happy Tunes Music Makers** are in school Monday and Friday. We bring a range of lightweight, colourful and easy to play NUVO woodwind instruments designed especially for young musicians. **Toots & Doods** for Reception and Y1, **Junior Sax** for Y2+ and **Flute & Clarinet** for Y3+. Group lessons (maximum of 6 children) are packed with gadgets, games and activities to maximise musical engagement that makes learning an instrument easy and FUN! Call Lisa on 07793548989 or visit our website www.happytunesmusic.co.uk
- **YouCrew:** There are spaces available in the YouCrew Video Creator Academy Club Mondays 3.30-4.30pm this term, for kids who would love to learn how to make their own YouTube-style videos in a fun and safe environment. The club is designed to channel the screen obsession into creativity by teaching video production and editing entirely on mobile devices. You can take a look at video highlights here: <https://youtu.be/eSCa8SiE4eA> and also there is a flyer attached. Places are limited, and they are offering the first week as a free trial! After that, places are £8 a week. In order for your child to be able to take part in the activity there are some essential booking and image consent forms that must be completed so please email Tamara on hello@crookedtreeevents.com to find out more.
- **Sussex Academy of Music free taster lesson:** for a limited time only, SAM Music Service is offering pupils the chance to receive a one-off **free paired taster guitar or drum kit lesson**. Taster lessons are limited to one per child and will be on a Friday at 12pm, 12.30pm or 3.30pm. If you would like to register your interest, please email the school office office@stnm.org.uk Lessons will be allocated on a first come first served basis to the next available time slot so **please only register your interest if you are happy for your child to have a lesson at any of the above times**. You will be notified if your child has a taster lesson at 3.30pm. **How to Enquire about lessons:** email lessons@sussexmusic.com (include pupil name / school / instrument) Web: www.sussexmusic.com/schools – complete the quick and easy contact form.

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

- Complete the County Admissions Form (online) by Wednesday 15th January 2020 (compulsory). www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions
- Complete and return the Supplementary Information Form to school by 4pm on Wednesday 15th January 2020. and the Church Support Form, if relevant.



Food Super Heroes

Chartwells Catering has various kitchen vacancies:

- St John the Baptist, Team Leader, 16¼ hours per week
- St John the Baptist, Kitchen Assistant, 10 hours per week
- Storrington Primary School, Kitchen Assistant, 15 hours per week
- Storrington Primary School, Kitchen Assistant, 7½ hours per week
- Relief Team Leader, 16¼ hours per week
- North Lancing, Kitchen Assistant, 10 hours per week

If you are interested in any of these roles and would like a school catering term-time only job that fits around your family life, for more information please contact:

Nicola Eves, Area Manager, via email at nicola.eves@compass-group.co.uk

AT LEARN LIVE Chartwells

KS1 & KS2 GLOW DISCO

Friday 31st January
5:30 - 7:00pm



£5 to include neon face
paints & a surprise gift

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Understanding and managing your child's behaviour

Find out what works for you and your child

Why do children behave as they do?
Encouraging good behaviour
Strategies to manage misbehaviour
Choices and consequences

Thursday 30th January 2020

9.00am to 10.30am

St Nicolas and St Mary CE Primary School

Eastern Ave, Shoreham-by-Sea,

BN43 6PE

No booking required, just come along.

Please note we are unable to provide childcare and to enable everyone to get the most out of the sessions we respectfully ask you to find alternative childcare for young children.



**Sure Start
Children's Centres**

A great course that covers essential topics for parents of children in the primary years

A new course is starting at Shoreham Baptist Church on Tuesday mornings in the New Year starting from January 28th, February 4th and 11th, then February 25th, March 3rd and 10th. Starting at 9.15 to 10.45.



Parentalk

THE PRIMARY YEARS

A fun 6-week course to help you to be an even better parent

**Contact: Marion Harding
on 07753 418 022**

for dates, times and venue of the next course



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Wednesday 5th february 2020 6-8pm
£20 per ticket. Capacity 40.



Your Space Therapies are offering a unique and down-to-earth course for parents and carers providing practical ways to have the best relationship with their children. The course will offer an overview of children's emotional brain development and offer practical strategies and theraplay games to develop strong emotional bonds and help parents therapeutically manage children's anxiety or challenging behaviours.

To book please email bookings@yourspacetherapies.org

43% of delegates who have attended Your Space Therapies trainings have rated them 'excellent'.

"This course really helped me think about why my children behave the way they do and now I have practical ways to help"

"Now I have helpful ways to respond when my children are angry or upset"

"I loved learning the therapeutic games"

"Learning about children's emotional brain development was fascinating"



Venue:

St. Nicolas and St. Mary's Primary School,
Eastern Avenue, Shoreham-by-Sea,
West Sussex, BN43 6PE

Did you know . . . Your Space Therapies can also provide bespoke parenting consultations as well as various therapies? To enquire please contact info@yourspacetherapies.org

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When: **Fridays after school, 3:15-4:15pm**
Where: **Art Room**
Contact: yosewocrafty@gmail.com m.07825 381160



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£2.35

Pancake Friday

28th February

Choose a main meal...

Fish & Chips
or

Omelette & Chips

on the side...

Baked Beans

or Salad

for dessert...

Pancake with Syrup
or Fruit Salad

Please place orders by Sunday 16th February at www.mealselector.co.uk, where greater details are displayed.

For more information on special diets please contact westsussexspecialdiets@compass-group.co.uk. Please ensure special diet requests are made 2 weeks prior to the event.

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Guitar + Drum Kit + Keyboard + Singing Lessons at St Nicolas and St Mary's CofE Primary

(Lessons also available at SAM Shoreham, BN43 6RE)

Great news, SAM Music Service offer individual and paired **guitar and drum kit lessons** at St Nicolas and St Mary's CofE Primary. Lessons take place **during and after the school day**. We also offer **lessons at SAM in Shoreham (BN43 6RE)** which is open 7 days a week. Please note, there is currently a **waiting list for keyboard and singing** lessons in school time, but we are working hard to organise more spaces, so it is still worth enquiring to express your interest! Spaces on all instruments are still available at SAM in Shoreham, BN43 6RE.

Learning to play an instrument can be a fantastic way to help with confidence, creativity, social skills and academic development. Our students are encouraged to progress through the accredited graded syllabusses such as Trinity Rock & Pop.

The teachers are experienced and passionate real-life musicians; lessons are fun and engaging; and parents / guardians are kept up to date with weekly online feedback via our unique, mobile friendly software "mySAM"!

There are limited spaces so please enquire as soon as possible to avoid disappointment, as lessons will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.

How to Enquire:

1. **Email:** lessons@sussexmusic.com - include student name / school name / instrument
2. **Web:** www.sussexmusic.com/schools - complete the quick and easy contact form

What does it Cost:

- Individual 30min lessons are £16.70 per lesson
- Paired 30min lessons are £12.45 per lesson per person
- Lessons are paid for in half-termly blocks.
- We encourage individual lessons for the most efficient learning experience!
- SAM Music Service is Ofsted registered and accepts payment via **Childcare Vouchers (including Tax-Free Childcare)**, thus helping to keep the price of lessons to a minimum.



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Most importantly, they'll have so much fun!

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Here's what's on near you:

FOOTBALL – ST NICOLAS AND ST MARY

First Session: Monday 13th January

Last Session: Monday 30th March (11 Sessions)

Excludes: Monday 17th February

Time: 15:15 – 16:15 **Years:** 1 - 2 **Years:** 3 - 6

Bookings cost £66.00 per participant if booked before 13th January

Bookings made after this date will cost £71.50

GYMNASTICS – ST NICOLAS AND ST MARY

First Session: Friday 17th January

Last Session: Friday 3rd April (11 Sessions)

Excludes: Friday 21st February

Time: 15:15 – 16:15 **Years:** R - 6

Bookings cost £66.00 per participant if booked before 17th January

Bookings made after this date will cost £71.50

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