

What a week of triumphs this has been- starting with KS2 Sports Day on to the Summer Concert, next to the Swimming gala and culminating in our triumphant performance at DCAT Enriched!

We are so pleased we have been able to give our children these wonderful experiences...

Have a wonderful hot and sunny weekend. Mr Lincoln and the Senior Leadership Team

1. COMMUNICATION

- Website: please check the website for answers to queries before contacting the office. General information can be found under the Parents & Carers tab. Bulletins/letters are under Parents & Carers > News & Events.
- Email: office@stnm.org.uk please do not email staff directly (unless agreed previously).
- Calendar: Follow the link for instructions on how to <u>use</u> or <u>subscribe</u> to the calendar.
- Language of the Month: Mandarin
- Sign of the Week: Music
- Facebook page: facebook.com/stnmschool
- Please check your email inbox for an important letter regarding children's use of smartphones.
- 2. **DATES AND EVENTS:** click <u>here</u> for the dates list.
 - Friday 18 July KS2 Platinum Reward Trip: We have now confirmed the list of children that have achieved their Platinum award and will be coming on our trip on Friday 18th July. Parents will be contacted and provided with details on Friday 11 July (or Monday 14th July at the latest)

• Transition Dates

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Transition Arrangements			
Event	Dates		
Y5 & Y6 MEET THE TEACHER	Mon 14 July 3.40-4.05 & 4.10-4.35pm		
Y4 & Y2 MEET THE TEACHER	Tues 15 July 2.50-3.15 * & 4.10-4.35pm		
New Reception - Picnic	Wed 16 July 1.30pm -2.30pm		
Y3 & Y1 MEET THE TEACHER	Thurs 17 July 3.40-4.05 & 4.10-4.35pm		
Rec – Y5 – Hand-up Afternoon	Fri 11 July		
Rec – Y5 – Hand-up Afternoon	Mon 14 PM		

3. REQUESTS, REMINDERS AND GENERAL NOTES

- Please have a search and send all Read Write Inc books and reading books back to school with your child. We
 are running very low on all Read Write Inc books and do not have the financial capacity to purchase more.
 Thank you.
- 4. **JOB OPPORTUNITIES:** we are currently advertising for the following:
 - Individual Needs Assistant closing date Tuesday 15 July (interviews on Wednesday 16 July)
 - Administration Assistant closing date Monday 8th September (interviews on Wednesday 10th September) Full details are available on our website <u>Job Opportunities</u>, the WSCC website <u>WSCC job search</u> or please speak to a member of SLT for further information.
- 5. Little Fishes Nursery 30 Hour Free Childcare Code Reminder Just a reminder to apply now to ensure you have renewed your 30 hours free childcare code by 31 August 2025. Log in to your childcare account to check your details are up to date and reconfirm your eligibility by the autumn term to ensure you continue to be eligible for 30 hours free childcare in the Autumn Term https://www.gov.uk/sign-in-childcare-account. Contact the HMRC helpline if you are experiencing issues applying or reconfirming on 0300 1234 097.
- **6. Special Discounts for St Nic's School Uniform:** Felix School wear has special discounts available on all St Nic's uniform. Complete the online form below (link also available on school website).

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- 10% off all school uniform (code: 10SUMMER). Excluding polo shirts see separate discount below.
- 15% off all orders of school uniform over £80 (code: 15SUMMER). Excluding polo shirts see separate discount below)
- 20% off all orders of school uniform over £120 (code: 20SUMMER). Excluding polo shirts see separate discount below)
- 30% off all polo shirts discount already applied on the order form.

Please use this order form: https://form.jotform.com/201631732045344

7. **Junior Adventures Group** – Please find information on free funded summer holiday clubs for FSM children through this <u>link</u>.



- **8. Upper Shoreham Road Active Travel improvements Phase 2 Buckingham Road:** Please find information on upcoming road works here.
- 9. Love Supreme Jazz Festival: Luke & Theo (along with lots of St Nic's alumni Billie, Abigail, Levi, Audrey, Milo, Olly and Huxley performed at Love Supreme Jazz Festival in Glynde on 6 July. Led by the hugely talented Mrs Ellis as part of Jazz Futures West; a New Generation Jazz ensemble. It's an Arts Council funded project encouraging young musicians to explore different types of music led by professional musicians. They performed a set of 4 pieces in front of a huge crowd in glorious sunshine. They have also had the incredible experience of working in a professional recording studio to make a CD of their work.







10. WSCC Summer Activities and Summer Reading Challenge:

- If you are looking for things to do and places to go with your children or grandchildren, then take a look at Experience Sussex where you'll find inspiration and ideas to make the most of the warm summer days and nights. Information on keeping safe during summer can be found here.
- Children of all ages can combine reading with nature and the great outdoors at West Sussex libraries when taking part in Story Garden, the 2025 Summer Reading Challenge. Sign up here!

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Join thousands of children taking part in the Summer Reading Challenge

in all West Sussex Libraries from Saturday 12 July

- Fill in the online registration form at arena.westsussex.gov.uk/src
- Tell library staff the secret code word
- · Pick up a book and start reading!
- Collect rewards for reading library books and completing special 'Extra Mile' Book Quests
- Read any library books you like—it's just for FUN!
- Look out for fun events and activities at your local library!







It's FREE to join the library and FREE to take part Let's get GROWING!





At Mindfulness Club we will:

- Explore our emotions using the arts and play
 - Learn new ways to manage and explore feelings
 - Have space to de-stress and be creative
 - Find calm, peace and support
 - Have fun and get to know ourselves and each other!

Mindfulness club will be run by the same child therapist every week.

Day and Time: Thursday's, 3.15-4.15pm

Dates: Autumn term, 12 weeks, from 11th September-4th December 2025

Cost: £9 per child, per week

Bonus for parents and guardians: If your child attends Creative Emotions club you will be given free access to the Your Space Therapies 'Boost the Bond webinar' so you can learn key strategies to support your child's emotional and mental health.

To book please click this Eventbrite link:

St. Nicolas and St. Mary's Mindfulness Club- Book Now!





www.yourspacetherapies.org

Summer Holiday Mindfulness Pony Day's for Kids! \$\mathbb{B}\$

Explore Calm, Connection, and Confidence with Our Gentle Ponies!

Dates: Friday 8th August, Monday 11th August, Monday 18th August, Monday 1st September. Time: 9am-2nm

Location: Ponies 'n' Kids, Eaton Thorne Stables, Woodmancote, Nr Henfield, W.Sussex, BN5 9BH

Join us for a magical day designed especially for children ages 5-11! Dive into a world of peace, friendship, and mindfulness, all while experiencing the calming presence of our adorable ponies.

Your Child's Special Day with the Ponies will include:

Mindfulness Time with Ponies, Pony Care, Riding and Mounted Games and Mindful Nature Art.

Spaces are limited to 15 children per session! Please visit the Eventbrite links below now to ensure your spot. Once your booking is confirmed we will contact you to gather further information.

Friday 8th August Mindfulness Pony Day. Book now!

Monday 11th August Mindfulness Pony Day. Book now!

Monday 18th August Mindfulness pony Day. Book now!

Monday 1st September Mindfulness Pony Day. Book now!

Contact: bookings@yourspacetherapies.org Cost: £140

Join us for an unforgettable experience that combines mindfulness and pony magic!

The links to book these events are:
Friday 8th August Mindfulness Pony Day. Book now!
Monday 11th August Mindfulness Pony Day. Book now!
Monday 18th August Mindfulness pony Day. Book now!
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N.B We are unable to provid	e refunds for this club once spaces are booked. After	we have		



Introducing the Holiday HQ!

Holiday HQ is the ultimate destination for kids looking for an unforgettable break during school closures!

From thrilling outdoor adventures to creative workshops, cooking classes, and interactive learning sessions, our expert team offers a dynamic mix of engaging activities and enriching experiences. We also ensure that every child's holiday is not just entertaining but an opportunity for growth. Helping them to build new friendships, explore their interests, and return to school with unforgettable memories.

Experience Types

At Holiday HQ, every programme is packed with exciting activities to keep children entertained and engaged. From take-home creations to exciting special events, we offer a range of fun experiences tailored to spark imagination and creativity.



Dive into a new adventure every day with our exciting daily-themed activities! Each school holiday features a special overarching theme, introducing something new daily, with a hero activity that children will love.



Skill Zone is a daily session designed to build confidence, curiosity, and teamwork through themed challenges and purposeful play. Aligned with each day's theme, children explore new ways to think, move, and create—developing life skills in a fun, inclusive environment.



Craft your own unique creation and take it home as a Holiday HQ souvenir! Whether it's arts and crafts, DIY science experiments, or even designing your own t-shirt, every creation is a special Holiday HQ keepsake.



Experience exciting performances, games, and activities brought to your club by expert facilitators—from epic animal encounters and Nerf battles to silent discos, every week features a special event extravaganza!



Everyday our on-site teams will also deliver Team Challenges, Super Sports and Arts and Crafts activities, which are all picked by and led by the children.



Proud to offer HAF spaces during the Easter, Summer & Winter holidays!



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Looking for an unforgettable break from the school routine? Holiday HQ is the place to be!

WEEKLY THEMES | SPORTS | TEAM GAMES |
STEM | ARTS & CRAFTS | SPECIAL EVENTS |
MAKE AND TAKES | AND MUCH MORE!



Check out what's on offer:



Themed Hero Activities: Embark on a new adventure each day with exciting themed activities—like Outdoor Explorers, Sports Week, Crazy Science & Inventions, Fun of the Fair, and more—for unforgettable holiday fun!



Make and Take: Craft your own unique creation and take it home as a Holiday HQ souvenir! Whether it's arts and crafts, DIY science experiments, or even designing your own t-shirt, every creation is a special Holiday HQ keepsake.



Special Events: Experience exciting performances, games, and activities brought to your club by expert facilitators—from epic animal encounters and Nerf battles to silent discos, every week features a special event extravaganzal



Skill Zone (Daily): Skill Zone is a daily session designed to build confidence, curiosity, and teamwork through themed challenges and purposeful play. Aligned with each day's theme, kids explore new ways to think, move, and create—developing life skills in a fun, inclusive environment.



Team Challenges (Daily): Join forces and take on exciting team-based games and challenges that build teamwork, creativity, and confidence. Every day is a new mission to accomplish together!



Super Sports (Daily): Get active and unleash your energy with a variety of dynamic sports and physical games. From classic favourites to new twists, it's all about movement, fun, and friendly competition!



Arts & Crafts (Daily): Let your imagination shine through daily arts and crafts activities! From painting and sculpting to creating themed masterpieces, every day is a chance to express your inner artist.



space

Free Funded Spaces available at your local venue through the HAF scheme!

FOLLOW US ONLINE @JUNIORADVENTURESGROUPUK

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Secure your free funded space today!



*Please note that activities may vary by service. Contact your local service directly for full details.



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TEAM CHALLENGES! PRIZES!
SONGS! INFLATABLES...

2025

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ART AND CRAFT!
EXPLORING THE
CHRISTIAN FAITH! AND
MORE!!!



COME AND ENJOYADAY OF AWESOME SUMMER FUN...AGAIN!!!



FOR KIDS AGED 5-11

COST: £5 (£2.50 FOR ADDITIONAL SIBLINGS)

DATE: SATURDAY 2ND AUGUST 2025

TIME: 10:00-15:00 (9:40 REGISTRATION)

WHERE: CITYCOAST CHURCH, NORTH STREET,
PORTSLADE: BN411DG

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT US AT es citykids@citycoastchurch www.facebook.com/nextgencitykids



DAVISON C.E. High School for Girls Come and have a look at our school

OPEN MORNINGS 30th Sept, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Oct 9.00am - 11.00am OPEN EVENING 7th October 5.00pm - 7.30pm

Presentation and Headteacher talks 5.30pm and 6.30pm For further details: www.davison.w-sussex.sch.uk

We are delighted to be able to invite you to our forthcoming open events for admissions in September 2026

Please come along and have a look at our school, the preferred date for families of your primary school to attend the Open Morning is **Thursday 2nd October** and there is no need to book.

Please see the link below to our e-prospectus for more information:

https://www.davison.w-sussex.sch.uk/admissions/prospectus/

We are very much looking forward to meeting you.

Davison CE High School for Girls

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Early Help Service SEND EVENT

Adur East Family Hub

Middle Road, Shoreham-By-Sea,
BN43 6GA

Wednesday 20th August 2025

Session 1 - 10am-11.30am

Session 2 - 1.30pm-3.00pm

Open to all families with a child/children who have special education needs and disabilities (SEND) up to age 11.

To bookyour FREE place and fill in a form to help fund
the event, please call the Hub:
Of 278 457998 or pop in to see a lovely Hub Support
Assistant.

Join us for lots of sensory play and fun

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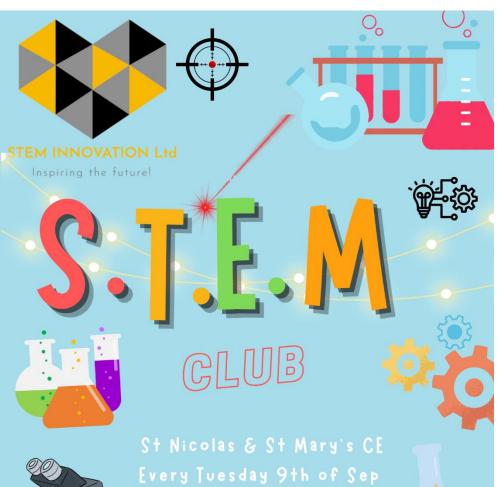
For Booking Details Contact: - Ali Khan Email: STEMInnovation@outlook.com

Tel: 07951287236

STEM INNOVATION Education ACCOUNT NO: 17721733

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St Nicolas & St Mary's CE Every Tuesday 9th of Sep To 16th of Dec £119 (14weeks)

Payment to:

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Now Booking for Autumn Term 2025

- Armadillo with Clay
 Axolotl with Masking Fluid and Ink

- Draco Lizard with Gouache
 Immortal Jellyfish with Printing
 Duck Billed Platypus with Watercolour
 Leafy Sea Dragon with Soft Pastels Purple Harlequin Toad with Oil Pastels
- Saiga Antelope with Pencil
- Tarsier with Acrylic







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FOR YOUR KIDS

Cygnets @ St Nicholas & St Mary Primary

Term Time Classes AGES 4-11 (ALL ABILITIES)

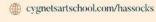
Mondays 3.20 - 4.40pm £16 per class £192/ Term (12 Classes)

Book Here: https://cygnets-art-school-hassocks.classforkids.io/info/31

At Cygnets our focus is on traditional drawing, painting, and sculpture, combined with unique projects, all taught by experienced teachers using professional quality materials.

St Nicholas & St Mary Primary, Eastern Avenue, Shoreham-by-Sea, West Sussex, BN43 6PE

hassocks@cygnetsartschool.com





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Monday 3:20pm - 4:20pm

12 sessions Mon 15 Sep 25 Mon 22 Sep 25 Mon 29 Sep 25

Mon 06 Oct 25 Mon 13 Oct 25 Mon 20 Oct 25 Mon 03 Nov 25

Mon 10 Nov 25 Mon 17 Nov 25 Mon 24 Nov 25 Mon 01 Dec 25

Mon 08 Dec 25

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Your child is about to embark on a thrilling new adventure – secondary school! Now is the perfect time to do a practice journey to show off your safer crossing moves and master some of our legendary road safety rules together.

Discover more at bit.ly/ safeadventures

Let's all stay alert, stay safe and conquer the streets.



Look out and keep your eyes on the road! Make sure you look all around and listen for traffic. Hey! Don't get distracted by your phone, friends, music, or other people!

RULE 2 SLOWN

Even if you're super-fast, being in a rush can be dangerous! STOP before you get to the kerb, so you've got time to make the right call. It's not easy to judge how fast traffic is going, so never run across the road.

Practice following these top tips with your child to help them on their future Safe Adventures!

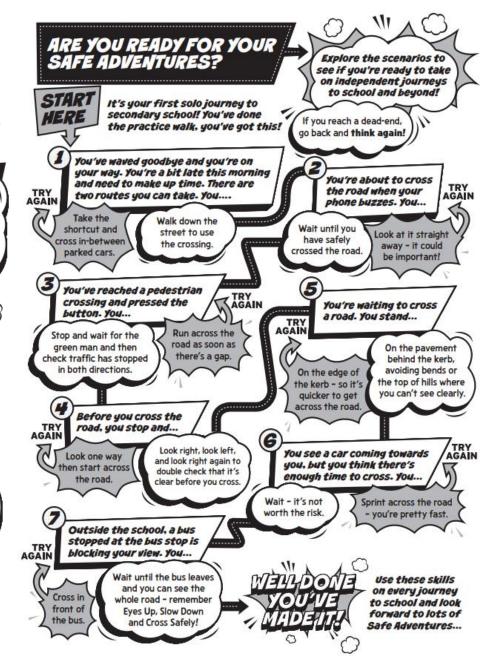
There's a world of opportunity when you know the rules of the road.



Cross at designated crossings or choose a spot where you can see clearly in all directions. Don't be a daredevil – avoid crossing between stationary vehicles, on a bend, close to the brow of a hill. When crossing between parked cars, treat the outer edge of the cars as the kerb and make sure there is a gap on the other side, so you can reach the pavement. Look right, left, and right again before crossing.



ADVENIURE!



Training

Summer 2025

(2nd half-term)

Reaching Families offer a range of free training courses and workshops to parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex



Training Workshops

June

Making Sense of Wellbeing: Self-care and managing stress	Tuesday 10th	10.30am
Making Sense of Behaviours that Challenge (age 2-11 years)	Wednesday 11th	10.30am
Making Sense of Adult Life - Supporting Adolescents (11 years+)	Wednesday 11th	7.30pm
Understanding Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)	Tuesday 17th	7.30pm
Making Sense of Education Health & Care Needs Assessments and Plans (EHCPs)	Thursday 19th	10.30am
Making Sense of Wellbeing: Understanding and building resilience	Tuesday 24th	7.30pm
Making Sense of Masking	Wednesday 25th	10.30am

July

Making Sense of Personal Independence Payment	Thursday 3rd	7.30pm
Understanding Autism	Thurday 10th	10.30am
Understanding Demand Avoidance	Monday 14th	7.30pm

The SEND Foundation Course

An introduction to SEND and the key issues parents and carers will encounter as their children grow and develop.

Dates: 25th June / 2nd July / 9th July (3-part course) Wednesdays 7.30pm-9.30pm

All training above will be delivered via Zoom

For further information visit our website or email: outreach-training@reachingfamilies.org.uk

Reaching Families

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Reaching Families

Are you a parent or carer of a child or young person who has, or may have, special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex?



Reaching Families is a parent-carer led charity which aims to empower parent-carers and families of children & young people with special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex through the delivery of information, training and peer support.

Making Sense of it All

In-depth parent-carer guide covering SEND issues from birth to adulthood

Umbrellas

Parent support groups based at locations across West Sussex and online, via Zoom

Training

Workshops and courses on a variety of issues delivered online, via Zoom

Face-2-Face

Peer based befriending for parents of children undergoing diagnosis

Animations

Short animated films on a variety of subjects

Fact sheets

Covering a range of SEND issues localised to the needs of West Sussex families

Benefits Advice Service

1-2-1 advice & claim checking support for families applying for DLA, PIP & Carers Allowance

NDP Navigation Service

Support service for parent-carers of children undergoing assessment on the West Sussex Neurodevelopmental Pathway (via referral from a professional)

Facebook Group

An online parent support group providing news, information and peer support



All our workshops are free of charge, for more information or to book a place, please visit our Eventbrite page or scan the QR code.

https://reachingfamilies.eventbrite.com

If you would like more information about how Reaching Families can help, please contact:

Email: admin@reachingfamilies.org.uk Telephone: 01903 366 360

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Umbrellas

Parent Support Group Summer Term 2025

Would you like to connect with other local parent carers?

If you are a parent or carer of a child or young person with special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex, please join us at one of our local support groups or from the comfort of your own home.



Shoreham Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Adur East Family Hub (Shoreham) 3rd Jun / 1st Jul

Littlehampton Umbrellas

Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Creative Heart Community Hub (upstairs)
7th May / 4th Jun / 2nd Jul

Worthing Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Durrington Community Centre

22nd Apr / 13th May / 17th Jun / 15th Jul

Horsham Umbrellas

Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Horsham Family Hub 23rd Apr / 21st May / 18th Jun / 16th Jul

Chichester Umbrellas

Thursdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Donnington Parish Hall

24th Apr / 15th May / 26th Jun / 17th Jul

Burgess Hill Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

The Cherry Tree Centre

29th Apr / 20th May / 10th Jun / 8th Jul

If you would like more information about our Umbrellas Support Group or would like the link to join Umbrellas online, please contact the outreach team.

Email:

outreach-training@reachingfamilies.org.uk



www.reachingfamilies.org.uk

Umbrellas Online

Thursdays via Zoom

7.30 pm - 9 pm 12th Jun 7.30 pm - 9 pm

7.30 pm - 9 pm



August Timetable

All sessions delivered live online via zoom £24 each or **FREE** with School Membership - 90 minutes long Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk Recordings available for 48 hours

Anxiety Explained	4th 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	4th 7pm
What is ACT?	5th 10am
Introduction to OCD	5th 7pm
Raising Self Esteem	11th 10am
Decreasing Depression	11th 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	12th 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	12th 7pm
Improving Family Communication	18th 10am
Autism: Improving Communication	18th 7pm
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	19th 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	19th 7pm
Understanding Anger	25th 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	25th 7pm
Facing Defiance	26th 10am

10th Jul