

Maths is everywhere! Even in the New Testament Gospels...

Not always an easy lesson to follow but one we should all strive to achieve.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mr Lincoln and the Senior Leadership Team

I. 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 use or subscribe to the calendar.
- **New website:** we realise some of the functionality on the current website (specifically the calendar) is not working as it should. Please bear with us while we get our new website up and running.
- Language of the Month: Polish
- Sign of the Week: Fireworks
- Facebook page: facebook.com/stnmschool
- 2. DATES AND EVENTS: click here for the dates list.
 - **Thursday 27 November:** Y3 Victorian Day children are invited to come to school dressed in traditional Victorian costume for a morning of fun, themed activities linked to their current topic.
 - Monday 17 November: Hedgehog Visit 1pm 3pm
 - Wednesday 4 February: Y2 Chichester Planetarium

3. REQUESTS, REMINDERS AND GENERAL NOTES

- ADHD awareness: please see attached flyer about ADHD awareness month.
- Little Fishes Nursery Drop Off and Pick Up:
 - > We kindly ask that if you're dropping your child off at Little Fishes Nursery in the morning after the main gate has closed, please let the school office know your child's name before heading through to nursery.
 - If you regularly collect your child early from Little Fishes, please let us know by email so we are aware of these arrangements.
 - > Otherwise, we ask parents to wait in the foyer until 11.50am for morning pick-up and 3pm for afternoon pick-up. This ensures our registers stay up to date and we know exactly who is on site at all times.

Thank you for your assistance to helps us keep the registers accurate for everyone's safety.

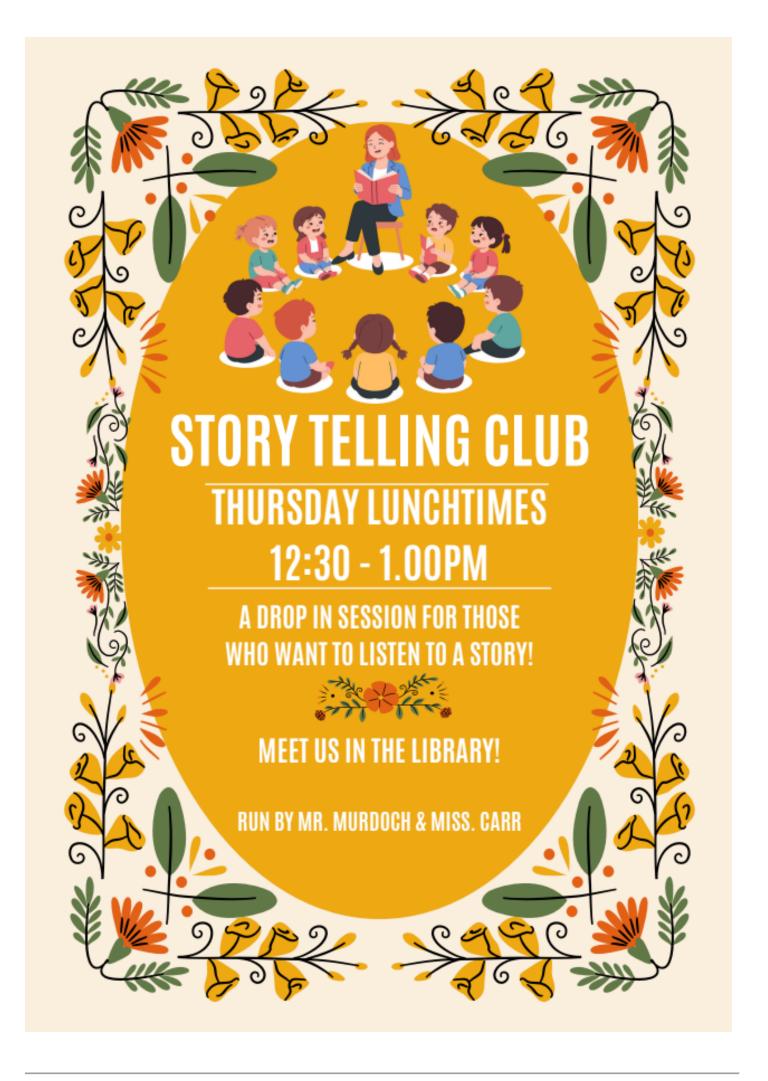
- 4. MATHS WEEK! commencing 10 November Our theme this year is Puzzles and Problems.
 - Tuesday: Children are invited to bring in their own games. Parents/family members can stay and play.
 - **Wednesday:** Cake sale after school. Maths Ambassadors are invited to come and help with the sale. If you would like to make your bakes maths themed, they are always appreciated but no pressure!
 - **Friday:** The children will be working across the curriculum to design and make their own maths games. Parents/family members are invited to come and play these at the end of the day.
 - 'Numbers Parade' on Friday 14 November in assembly Children are invited to wear numbers to school. We will be asking for a small donation which will go to Children in Need which happens to fall on the same day! All week there will be a TT Rockstar competition running, the class who has put in the most EFFORT will win a trophy and dress down day. We will run this every half term throughout the school year.
- 5. New parent coffee afternoon: Following our first new parents' coffee morning earlier in the term, we are keen to give another opportunity for those parents who couldn't attend the last get together to attend (plus of course welcome back those that came to the first event). The plan is to do this just before pick-up on Friday 14 November from 2.30pm 3.10pm. We hope to see lots of you there.

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6. Celebrations: Earlier today, we had our fourth celebration assembly. In preparation for Maths Week next week, our theme for this week was celebrating our 'Marvellous Mathematicians'. We look forward to our next celebration assembly in late November.

Class	Children
Blue Whale	Luca & Manny
Gray Whale	Brodie & Reuben M
Dusky Dolphin	Harvey & Olive
Spinner Dolphin	Arabella & Jude B
Penguin	Harry Tu & Matilda
Puffin	Zack & Effie-May
Seal	Rylee & Phoebe
Sea Lion	Lottie & Arlo
Seahorse	Chase & Lois
Sea Otter	Willow & Fabian
Terrapin	Ola & Jack
Turtle	Mieka & Caleb
Coral	Jack & Amber-Rose
Oyster	Buddy & Trxibelle

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At St Nicolas and St Mary CE Primary School, we're passionate about providing an early years learning environment where every child feels valued and empowered to reach their full potential.



NEWLY-REFURBISHED CLASSROOMS



NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT



EXTENSIVE SCHOOL GROUNDS



DEDICATED AND PASSIONATE STAFF TEAM

We'd love to meet you and your child at one of our upcoming tours or stay and play sessions. Please call or email the office to book:



- Mon 13 Oct/Weds 22 October 9.15-10.15am
- Tues 11 Nov 9.15-10.15am
- Weds 12 Nov 6-7pm
- Thurs 13 Nov/Tues 18 Nov 3.40-4.30pm STAY and PLAY
- Fri 28 Nov 9.15-10.15am
- Sat 29 Nov 10-11.30am STAY and PLAY
- Thurs 4 Dec 1.30-2.30pm
- Weds 7 Jan 9.15-10.15am

'Thank you to everyone for settling my child into school so brilliantly. I love the wide range of areas my child learns about and how the learning follows the children's interests. The Reception team staff are so nurturing and caring' - Reception Parent.



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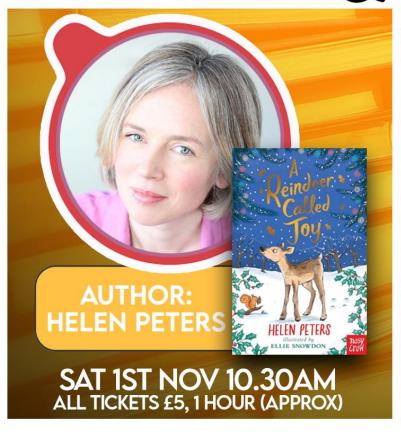
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CHILDREN'S BOOK CLUB

& CHAPTER 34 BOOK CLUB







West Sussex SENDIAS Service

Is your child starting primary school or transferring to junior or secondary school in September 2026?

Do you think, for

- whatever reason, you
- may struggle with the
- Admissions process?

Secondary School

Online applications open:

Monday 8 September 2025.

Deadline for applying for a secondary school place for your child is:

Friday 31 October 2025.

Primary School (inc. infant/junior)

Online applications open:

Monday 6 October 2025.

Deadline for applying for a school place for your child is:

Thursday 15 January 2026.

For more information on the admissions process: www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions

If so, the West Sussex SENDIAS Service can:

- explain the admissions process to you
- help you to make an informed decision about your child's schools of preference
- help you to fill in the online application form.

Please contact the SENDIAS Service:

Helpline: 0330 222 8555

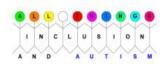
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allthingsautismltd@gmail.com 01895 649211

https://allthingsinclusionandautism.com

Workshops for parents / carers (and practitioners) - Autumn term 2025

All things v	isual	strat	teg	es
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Supporting autistic children / those with communication difficulties with visual strategies - why use visuals, which visuals to use and how to use them?

Thursday 23rd October 2025

10 - 11.30am

Online - via Zoom £36 plus VAT per person

Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA)

Understanding PDA and practical strategies to support

Monday 10th November 2025

9.30 - 11.30am Online - via Zoom £44 plus VAT per person

All things communication and play:

Supporting autistic children with communication and play skills - laughing and learning together

Tuesday 4th November 2025

9.30am - 12

Online via Zoom £51 plus VAT per person

Autism and Girls

Exploring differences and diagnosis . Understanding how autism impacts on girls and strategies and ideas to support them

Thursday 13th November 2025

10 - 11.30am

Online via Zoom £36 plus VAT per person

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All things behaviour - supporting positive behaviours for autistic children

Tuesday 7th October 2025

9.30am - 12

Online via Zoom

£51 plus VAT per person



All things sensory processing - a workshop exploring the sensory needs of autistic children and practical strategies to support their needs

Wednesday 26th November 2025

9.30am - 12

Online via Zoom

£51 plus VAT per person



All Things Toileting

Exploring the challenges around toilet training for autistic children and practical strategies to support them

Friday 17th October 2025

10 - 11.30am

Online via Zoom £36 plus VAT per person

Gestalt Language Processing

How to support early language skills for young children including Gestalt learners

Tuesday 18th November 2025

10 - 11.30am

Online via Zoom £36 plus VAT per person

All Things Mealtimes

Looking at the challenges around food and eating for autistic children and practical strategies to support

Tuesday 4th December 2025

10 - 11.30am

Online via Zoom

£36 plus VAT per person

ADHD

Understanding ADHD in young children and practical ideas to support them

Tuesday 25th November 2025

10-11.30am

Online via Zoom

£36 plus VAT per person

Supporting children with Bereavement and Loss

Looking at the impact of bereavement and loss on young children and strategies to support them

Thursday 2nd October 2025

10 - 11.30am

Online via Zoom

£36 plus VAT per person

Promoting positive mental health in young children

Examining causes of mental health difficulties, learning about anxiety and trauma

Tuesday 11th November 2025

9.30 am - 12 Online via Zoom

£51 plus VAT per person

Contact Jaci Smith or Nikki Duhig at <u>allthingsautismltd@gmail.com</u> or 01896 649211 to book your place/s

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Hands on Art Workshops

After school Art Clubs



NEW VENUE III

@The Circular Space, Ham Rd, Shoreham Mondays and Tuesdays 3:30-5:30pm

Ages 6-12 - Small groups







Bring your ideas to life!

Hanna Boal- Qualified teacher, Community Artist & maker -DBS & Insured hanskibol88@gmail.com Insta- HandsOn_bringyourideastolife



St Mary de Haura



Join us for stories, crafts and fun.

We start in the hall then join the main church service.

2nd & 4th Sunday of each month.

St Mary's Hall 10am

0-11 year olds

0-6 year olds to be accompanied by an adult.

TRAINING

AUTUMN TERM 2025





WORKSHOPS

Making Sense of Masking	Tuesday 11 th November	10.30am - 12.30pm
Wellbeing - Communication skills for parents and carers	Tuesday 18 th November	10.30 am - 12 pm
Understanding Autism in Girls	Wednesday 19 th November	7.30 - 9.30 pm
Making Sense of Disability Living Allowance (DLA)	Thursday 27 th November	10.30am - 12.30pm
Making Sense of Anxiety in Children (Primary age)	Tuesday 2 nd December	7.30 - 9.30 pm
Making Sense of Adult Life - Supporting Adolescents	Thursday 11 th December	7.30 - 9.30 pm
Understanding Sensory Processing Differences	Friday 12 th December	10.30am - 12.30pm

All of the above training will be delivered on Zoom

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



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.

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Umbrellas

Parent Support Group Autumn 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)

9th Sep / 7th Oct / 4th Nov / 2nd Dec

Littlehampton Umbrellas

Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am Creative Heart Community Hub (upstairs)

10th Sep / 8th Oct / 5th Nov / 3rd Dec

Worthing Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am

Durrington Community Centre 16th Sep / 14th Oct / 11th Nov / 9th Dec

Horsham Umbrellas

Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am Horsham Family Hub 17th Sep / 15th Oct / 19th Nov / 17th Dec

Chichester Umbrellas

Thursdays, 10 am - 11.30 am Donnington Parish Hall 25th Sep / 23rd Oct / 20th Nov / 11th Dec

Burgess Hill Umbrellas

Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am The Cherry Tree Centre 23rd Sep / 21st Oct / 25th Nov / 16th Dec

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 11th Sep 9th Oct 7.30 pm - 9 pm 7.30 pm - 9 pm 6th Nov

4th Dec

7.30 pm - 9 pm

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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

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

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

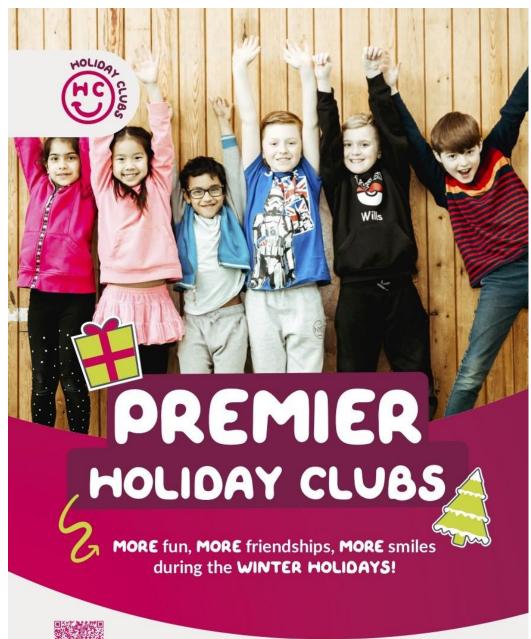
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YOUR NEAREST MULTI-ACTIVITY CLUBS

Stanley Deason Leisure Centre 22nd and 23rd 29th and 30th December

09:00 - 15:00

£24.99 per day

Brighton

Gildredge House School 22nd and 23rd 29th December 09:00 - 16:00

£29.95 per day

Eastbourne

HAF Camps

FREE HAF Places Available at both venues for all those eligible *HAF for children in school years reception to 11 who receive benefits-related free school meals



Our Holiday Clubs keep children active, safe, and entertained throughout the school holidays.

Join us this Winter as we offer a wide range of fun activities, including sports, performing arts, and games, all at great value. There's something for every child to enjoy as they start 2026!

Book now for a holiday full of excitement!





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