



Have a great weekend.

Mr Lincoln, Mr Etherton & the Senior Leadership Team

I. 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>
→ All: Flu Immunisation

2. DATES AND UPCOMING EVENTS:

The following dates have been added to the school calendar. More information about them will be sent out in due course.

- **Y5 & Y6 Harvest Service at St Mary de Haura:** Monday 27th September
- **Y3 & Y4 Harvest Service at St Giles' Church:** Thursday 30th September
- **Parent Consultations:** weeks commencing 11th October and 18th October. Dates and times to be confirmed.
- **Prayer Space Week:** Monday 1st November - Friday 5th November
- **Y1 Hedgehog Visit:** Wednesday 9th November
- **St Nicolas' Day Service:** Monday 6th December
- **KS2 Carol Service at St Mary de Haura:** Wednesday 15th December
- **INSET Day:** Friday 27th May

3. NO NUTS:

We would just like to remind you that we are a **completely nut free school**. Please do not send your child in with any items of food that contain nuts, this includes peanut butter sandwiches.

4. INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS FRIDAY 24th SEPTEMBER:

Please send your child in with their school jumper and looking smart in their correct uniform ready for their individual school photo on Friday. We will send out more information about sibling photos next week.

5. 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

6. **UNIFORM:** Please ensure your child is wearing the correct school uniform to school. Trainers, leggings and boots are not allowed. Jumpers, cardigans and polo shirts need to have the school logo on. The uniform policy can be found here on the school website: <https://www.stnicolasmary.w-sussex.sch.uk/page/?title=Uniform&pid=21>
7. **CLUBS:** We are pleased to be able to run school and external clubs again! All the details can be found on the Extra-Curricular Activities page on the school website. Teacher led clubs will be starting on Monday 20th September. If your child would like to join an external club please contact the club directly.
8. **PARKING:**
- **Parking:** yet again, we find ourselves having to ask all parents and carers to be considerate when dropping off/picking up their children. We are extremely concerned that some parents/carers are repeatedly parking on the zig zags, in the school bus zone, up on the kerb and in front of residents' drives. **Do not park in these places** – it is dangerous and puts all our children at risk, as well as causing congestion on the road. There is parking available over at Buckingham Park or on nearby roads. **PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE park carefully and considerately.** The school will not hesitate to report such incidents to the police. This includes dropping off/picking up from the Octopus and Starfish clubs and any other after school clubs.
 - **Reporting bad or inconsiderate parking:** **Anybody** can report bad or inconsiderate parking by going to www.operationcrackdown.org You just need to include the registration number, make and model of car, location of the incident. We would encourage any parent/carer who witnesses dangerous parking to report it immediately.
 - **Staff car park:** Could we please remind you that parents/carers **must not** use the staff car park unless they have been given prior permission to do so. The car park is extremely busy with staff arriving/departing, visitors and deliveries. Please make sure you always use the footpath between the hedge and the fence when coming in to the school. Could you also please let any other members of your family know. Thank you.
9. **SICKNESS**
- **Sickness & Diarrhoea:** please do not send your child to school if they are unwell. Although we wish to encourage good attendance, children who are ill must stay at home. Please note in particular that if a child has had sickness and/or diarrhoea they must not come back to school/nursery until 48 hours after the last bout of vomiting/diarrhoea.
 - **Unsure if your child is well enough to attend school?** It can be tricky deciding whether to keep your child off school when they're unwell. Please refer to www.nhs.uk/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school for some helpful guidance.
 - **Studybugs:** If you haven't already registered, please follow the link below to start using the free absence-reporting app called Studybugs to report your child's absence from school: www.studybugs.com (Ctrl and click to follow the link). Thank you.
10. **OCTOPUS CLUB:** From next Friday there will be an additional 10 slots available for Breakfast Club on Friday mornings only. The offer is available to book via Squid.
11. **SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN DAYS**
- **St Andrew's CE High School:** open evening, Wednesday 22nd September. Doors open at 4.30pm, presentations 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:** open morning, Thursday 23rd September. There is no need to book. The school prospectus can be found [here](#).
 - **Shoreham Academy:** open evening, Thursday 23rd September, from 4pm. One-hour time slots to tour the school must be booked via the Academy website www.shoreham-academy.org
 - **Our Lady of Sion:** open morning, Saturday 25th Sept. Email admissions@sionschool.org.uk to book a place.
 - **Cardinal Newman:** open day, Thursday 7th October. To book go to <https://www.cncs.co.uk/open-day/>
12. **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](#)
13. **ST NICOLAS CHURCH JUNIOR CHOIR:** The choir has relaunched 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.

14. **THANK YOU:** We really appreciate all those who donated garden canes and/or volunteered for our residential trip to Truleigh Hill. Do look out for a newsletter special about this - coming soon!
15. **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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West Sussex County Council logo and Chartwells logo are also present.



25th September, 3-5pm

"God saw that it was good"



Food

Crafts

Worship

Fun

St Giles' Church
Upper Shoreham Road
Shoreham-by-Sea
BN43 6BT



AFTER SCHOOL CLUB AUTUMN TERM BOOK NOW



"MY DAUGHTER ASKED IF SHE CAN ATTEND THE CLUB UNTIL SHE LEAVES SCHOOL"

"I'VE SEEN MY SON'S CONFIDENCE GROW DURING HIS TIME SPENT AT THE CLUB."

Fun, exercise, fresh air and different activities every week

Learn new skills and have fun playing outdoors with our experienced and fun adventure instructors.

NEW ACTIVITIES FOR AUTUMN TERM INCLUDE:

- * ANCIENT TO MODERN FIRELIGHTING * WORLD STREET GAMES *
- * TRIBAL CRAFT * SHELTER BUILD * KUBB
- * PLOP TRUMPS * MANDOLORIAN NERF * NERF WILD WEST *
- * WAY OF THE VIKINGS * BUSHCRAFT - POPCORN MAKING *

Tonnes of games: Dodge Ball, Kick the Can, Alien Invasion, Cat & Mouse + they key ingredient lots of FUN!

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★★★★★
Excellent, Friendly, Fun, Professional activities For Kids.

AT YOUR SCHOOL THIS AUTUMN! BOOK ONLINE NOW!



**OFSTED REGISTERED
CHILDCARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED**



Inspiring Adventure Clubs For Kids

Our mission is to encourage kids to spend time outdoors and gain all the benefits from doing so. Our priority each week is that everyone has fun and is excited to join us for our outdoors adventures. Every week is a different activity and alongside playing games and learning new skills within the club we work on promoting team work, confidence building, leadership and resilience. We encourage children to develop a sense of achievement, an awareness of the environment around them and all the great outdoors has to offer.

MORE INFO & BOOK: WWW.THEOUTDOORSPROJECT.CO.UK/WEST-SUSSEX

HOLIDAY CLUBS - BIRTHDAY PARTIES - SCHOOL WORKSHOPS - AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS - WEEKEND CLUBS

flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



1. Protect your child

The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia

2. Protect you, your family and friends

Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family

3. No injection needed

The nasal spray is painless and easy to have

4. It's better than having flu

The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record

5. Avoid costs

If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

For more information visit
www.nhs.uk/child-flu

Flu **i**mmunisation

Helping to protect children, every winter

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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'



SewCrafty

SewCrafty sewing & craft club
for children in Y3-6



When: Fridays until 4:20pm

Where: The art room

Cost: £8 weekly, half-termly blocks

Contact: Yo at yosewcrafty@gmail.com m. 07825 381160



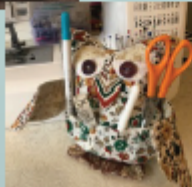
Weekly sessions after school

Small friendly classes (places limited)

Learn how to sew, create unique projects and have lots of fun!

No prior experience required.

Run by Yo Clay (Mum of 3, experienced qualified teacher, fully insured & DBS clearance)



After school club, holiday workshops, parties, 1:1 lessons

Check out @yosewcrafty





harpacademy

where musicians are made

DEDICATED HARMONICA CLASSES IN YOUR SCHOOL



A great way to make music

We recently showed your school how much fun it is to play the harmonica. It sounds great, it's easy to carry and it's cool for boys and girls alike. In fact it's the perfect way to access music for children of any age, from Pre-School to Key Stage 2, and it's much more affordable than other instruments. No tricky keys, frets or finger holes for small hands either! If you can breathe in and out, you can enjoy making music on the harmonica.

"Last week two Harp Academy children performed *Somewhere Only We Know* to the whole school. You could have heard a pin drop! It brought tears to our eyes. You do a great job. Thank you."

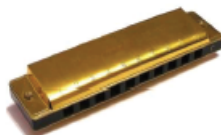
ARUNSIDE SCHOOL, HORSHAM

Why learn harmonica?

- ✓ It sounds great
- ✓ It's affordable
- ✓ It's portable
- ✓ It's cool for boys & girls
- ✓ Free taster session
- ✓ Performance opportunities
- ✓ Music aids wider learning

Musical Enrichment with Harp Academy

We provide daytime harmonica classes at your school for groups of up to 8 children. Each session is half an hour and we provide ten sessions per term. We also offer individual tuition on request. Lesson content includes fun warm-up activities, instrument skills, exploring musical elements from the national curriculum and learning songs for enjoyment and performance. Our teachers are professional musicians, with DBS certification, safeguarding and first aid training.



Free Taster Session

Why not take advantage of a **FREE TASTER SESSION**? We'll provide a harmonica and music sheet to get you started. Dates and times for our termly 10 week schedule are advertised on the Harp Academy website. To register, simply log on and click the **Gold Harmonica**. We'll then help you get set up. Subscription for further lessons is just **£18.75 per month**. That's a third the price of private music lessons! Further details are on our website.



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Try a **FREE TASTER SESSION**
Starter harmonica and music sheet **INCLUDED!**
Ongoing lessons just **£18.75 per month**



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DEDICATED HARMONICA CLASSES IN YOUR SCHOOL

ACCESS ALL AREAS
Every subscriber receives a backstage pass for our home learning web pages.



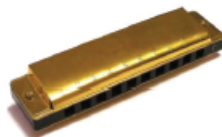
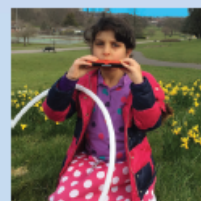
Harp Academy online

Children and parents who subscribe to Harp Academy also enjoy a complimentary backstage pass for the protected content on our website. There are carefully prepared support pages for the music we are learning, some helpful key skill advice and exercises to help build musical technique. For weekends and holidays, there is also an exciting Harp QI section to explore, with fun videos, music activity ideas and wider learning topics.



The home of champions

At Harp Academy having fun is top of our wish list, and playing to audiences is a vital part of our curriculum. We understand how performance builds self confidence and creates happy memories for everyone. When children are ready, their journey starts with playbacks in school assembly. From there we attend local festivals such as Paddle Round The Pier, Harpin' By The Sea and entertain in children's hospitals. There is also an opportunity to compete at the national harmonica festival, where we have been producing junior champions since 2011!



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