

NLS Newsletter



Autumn term 26.09.2025











Autumn Term 2025 - Thursday 4th September-Friday 19th December 2025

Inset days Wednesday 3rd September & Monday 3rd November
Half term 27th-31st October
Flu Vaccinations- Friday 7th November

Spring Term 2026 - Monday 5th January-Friday 27th March

Half term 16thth-20th February

Summer Term 2026 - Monday 13th April - Friday 17th July
Inset days Monday 20th, Tuesday 21st, Wednesday 22nd July
Half term 25th-29th May



2025/26 Autumn Term Menu

Monday 1st September to Friday 19th December 2025



Week 1 (for the weeks commencing 01/09, 22/09, 13/10, 10/11, 01/12)

Main Meal	Vegetarian Meal	Dessert
Sweet & Sour Chicken with Rice & Salad	Sweet & Sour Vegetables with Rice & Salad	Chocolate & Vanila Mousse (D)
Pasta Bolognaise with Salad (D, G)	Vegan Pasta Bolognaise with Salad (G, S)	Banana Cake (G, E)
Roast Pork, Roast Potatoes & Mixed Veg	Roast Veg, Roast Potatoes & Mixed Veg	Mango Sorbet
Cheesy Tomato Pasta with Garlic Bread & Salad (D, G)	Tomato Pasta with Garlic Bread & Salad (G)	Lemon Drizzle Cake (G, E)
Fish & Wedges with Peas & Salad (F, G)	Vegan 'Fish' Fingers & Wedges with Peas & Salad (G)	Blueberry Muffin (G, D, E)

Week 2 (for the weeks commencing 08/09, 29/09, 20/10, 17/11, 08/12)

Main Meal	Vegetarian Meal	Dessert
Pesto Pasta with Cheese & Salad (D, G)	Pesto Pasta & Salad (G)	Strawberry & Vanilla Mousse (D)
Sausages, Beans & Wedges with Salad (G, Sd)	Vegan Sausages, Beans & Wedges with Salad (S)	Flapjack
Chicken Curry with Rice & Salad (M)	Vegetable Curry with Rice & Salad (M)	Sliced Melon
Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Bread & Salad (D, G)	Tomato Pasta with Garlic Bread & Salad (G)	Chocolate Cake (G, E, S)
Fishcake & Chips with Mixed Veg & Salad (F, G)	Vegan 'Fish' Fingers, Chips with Mixed Veg & Salad (G)	Strawberry Ice Cream (D)

Week 3 (for the weeks commencing 15/09, 06/10, 03/11, 24/11, 15/12)

Main Meal	Vegetarian Meal	Dessert
Jacket Potato, Baked Beans, Cheese & Salad (D)	Jacket Potato, Baked Beans & Salad	Vanilla Ice Cream (D)
Savoury Mince, Vegetables & Rice with Salad	Savoury Vegan Mince, Vegetables & Rice with Salad (S)	Pineapple Cake (G, E)
Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes & Mixed Veg	Roast Vegetables, Roast Potatoes & Mixed Veg	Fruit Yoghurt (D)
Pork Meatballs with Pasta & Salad (G, Sd)	Vegan Meatballs with Pasta & Salad (G, S)	Ginger Sponge (G, E)
Fish & Potatoes with Carrots & Salad (F, G)	Vegan 'Fish' Fingers & Potatoes with Carrots & Salad (G)	Chocolate Chip Muffins (E, G, S, D



Attendance winners



Every week we celebrate attendance.

It is vital for your child that they attend school each and every day if they are well enough. Absence from school is often the greatest single cause of poor performance and achievement. Missing school leaves pupils vulnerable to falling behind, more likely to struggle sustaining friendships and much less likely to enjoy the school environment. We want to see your lovely children as often as possible!

The class with the best attendance this week is 2M

They had an amazing 97.6% attendance for this week

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School Census Day

Next Thursday 2nd October is school census day. As such, all children in years R-2 will be offered a hot meal. All schools' annual funding for hot meals is based on uptake on census day therefore all children in those year groups will have the opportunity to try a hot meal on Thursday. They can still bring a packed lunch as normal or a supplementary snack if they are going to try a meal. If your child does not usually have a hot meal because of an allergy, please do let us know if you wish your child to try a hot meal or not

Thank you

Swimming fees

Reminder that the swimming fees for this term are due for years 1-6. As with the summer term, the fees for the term are just £15; this equates to just over £2 per week for every child to have an hour of swimming each week. We are incredibly lucky to have our pool, but we are completely reliant on parents paying this fee to be able to keep it running. Schools that are not lucky enough to have a pool must pay considerably more for swimming as they are charged for both hire of a pool and coaches to transport the children. If you have not already done so, please pay via ParentPay. Thank you.

Application for Secondary School Places

Reminder to our year 6 families that applications for secondary school places are now open. The deadline to apply is 31^{st} October. Any applications received after this date will be deemed late and this may affect your chance of getting your preferred school.

Apply online:

https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-places/apply/secondary-school-places



West Sussex SENDIAS Service

Secondary School

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

Do you think, for may struggle with the

Admissions process?

whatever reason, you

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 ww.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 Email: send.ias@westsussex.gov.uk www.westsussexsendias.org



Application for Primary School Place September 2026

If you have a younger child who is due to start primary school next September 2026, then you can soon apply for a place at primary school online. Applications open on October 6th and the deadline for applications is January 15th; see posters below for more information and for the link to apply.

We know what a huge decision choosing a school for your little one can be so we will soon be holding tours for our new intake families to come and see our lovely school in action. These will take place at the end of October and throughout November. Keep an eye out on our website; once we have finalised tour dates we will publish these on the website and you will be able to book a date and time slot to visit.

Parent (or Grandparent) Volunteers

We would love to have an army of enthusiastic volunteers who could spare us an hour here and there to help out with little tasks such as photocopying, sharpening pencils or laminating etc. throughout the school. This could be parents, or even grandparents! If you have some spare time on your hands and would like to help, please complete the form by clicking on the link and we will be in touch!

https://forms.gle/Rk6Bh6yis4PLw9xR9

Silent Disco

The PTA is excited to announce that the school disco is back on Tuesday 14th October but this time it will be silent!

Each child will get a headset with a selection of pre-programmed playlists; they will be able to choose what they listen to and will be able to dance to their hearts content. A drink and snack are included in the price, and we will have glow bands/items for sale at the disco from 50p.

Closing date for the purchase of tickets is 9th October; due to needing to order the correct number of headsets for the event we will not be able to add on any extra tickets after this date and we unfortunately won't be able to accommodate any children who attend the event who have not purchased a ticket in advance.

When booking, please enter an emergency name and contact number and any allergies/dietary requirements in the notes section.

Please note that due to this being a quieter event we will not be providing a quiet area this time.



Flu Vaccinations

The school vaccination team will be visiting us on Friday 7th November to administer the flu vaccination to all children for whom they have received parental consent. Information went out at the beginning of this week but see below for links to access information and to consent.

Please complete the form even if you do not wish your child to have the vaccination.

For information about the Flu vaccine and frequently asked questions:

https://www.sussexcommunity.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/resources/patient-resources/flu-vaccinations

To complete a consent form:

https://www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu

You will need the school code **SX125841** to complete a consent form.

Year 6 Residential

Our intrepid year 6 children will be off on their residential trip to Windmill Hill this Sunday. There they will be taking part in some fantastic activities including archery and zip line. We hope they have an amazing time (and the staff also hope they get some sleep!). Fingers crossed the weather stays dry!

Reception Children

We have been absolutely delighted with how our new Reception children have settled in! They have done so well to adapt to coming in full-time, even though it is so exhausting for them. We would like to express our thanks to our Reception parents for working with us to ensure that the children's transition to primary school has been a smooth and happy one.

Renovating the Amphitheatre

As you may have spotted, we are in the process of renovating our amphitheatre in the lower playground. We are so excited to be able to use it again soon and would like to express our thanks to Apex Lofts for their hard work on the renovation works.

Donations and thanks

Our Nurture team desperately need some spare boys' pants of all sizes. If you have any old ones, please do bring them in to the main office.

They have also made a nurture Wishlist- just with some ideas of the things that they would love if anyone would like to either donate/buy.

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3J0YIY81RY43D?ref =wl share

As always, we are just so grateful for all of the donations we receive.

Thanks go to the Gardner family for all their recent donations.



Pupil Achievements

Edie P was awarded the Wickers Club Award Level 10 gold.

Lola C received a hospital well done certificate.

Harry G was awarded a Lancing FC medal.

Sienna S won the 1st place individual Performance trampoline academy trophy.

Sienna S was awarded a Gymco Level 7 certificate and medal.

Elsie C completed the summer library reading challenge and received a certificate and medal.

Madi H received a certificate and badge for completing the St John Family Badger award.

Jasmine H received a certificate and badge for completing the St John Family Badger award, she also received a certificate and badge for becoming a 'Follow Me Badger'

Hot Chocolate Superstars

Cass E, Alaia B-R, Layton S, Eddison N, Winnie D, Nora E, Lillie G, Tommy P, Ruby G, Laila B, Jude G, Bella H-C, Luca J, Kara W-B, Alice B.

Headteacher's Awards

Jocelyn T, Poppy K, Charlie L, Hollie G, Cara D S, Finley J, Ollie L, Katie S, Josh R, Tallie M, Rocky P, Dolly B.

