



# NEWSLETTER UPDATE

Associate Principal



STANTONBURY  
SCHOOL

19<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Dear Stantonbury families

I hope you are well and despite the weather changing and the night's drawing in you and yours are staying positive and enjoying the start to the academic year. I can't believe where the time has gone as we find ourselves 7 weeks in and already mid-way through October. People will be talking about Christmas next!

## **Punctuality**

I need your support please. Unfortunately, we are still noticing an increase in lateness to school. We expect all our students to arrive in school by 8.55am on each school day. Our main Front gate opens at 8.30am and the other two gates Turing and Ashurst open at 8.45am.

Any student arriving late after the October half term will receive an immediate centralised detention on the same day. We want to encourage punctuality and I would like you to remind your child of our expectations regarding punctuality in the morning

Similarly, I need you help reporting any absence

If your child is not going to be in school, it is essential you contact the absence team before 9am to let us know the reason.

Call: 01908 324 411

Text: 07897 031 724

Email: [absence@stantonbury-tove.org.uk](mailto:absence@stantonbury-tove.org.uk)

These contact details can all be found on the school website.

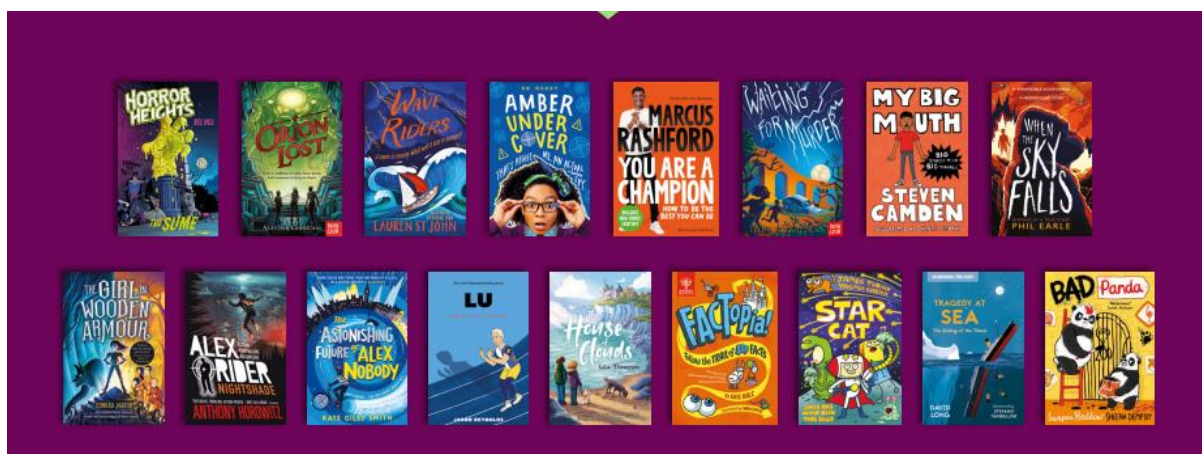
## **Self Study at school**

We are pleased to let you know that we have established Study Rooms for KS3 and KS4. This is so that students can complete self-study if they do not have devices and internet access at home, or simply a quiet place to complete their studies as some of our students might not have that.

KS3 will be able to attend on Thursdays in Portway ICT until 4pm  
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### Let's get everyone reading! Years 7 and 8

We have invested in an initiative called Bookbuzz which allows all Year 7 and Year 8 students to choose a book to read and keep from a list of 17 different titles! In English lessons this week students will have a chance to look at all of the books, flick through, read the blurbs and decide on which book they will choose. There's a full range of genres, styles and Fiction and Non-fiction, all the titles are listed below. Please ask your child which book they have chosen and why and look forward to reading it with them when all the books arrive after half term!



### Fixtures are back!

The last few weeks has seen a busy return to school fixtures with almost all teams having now played their first match of the year. For those who are unsure, Stantonbury currently competes in regular fixtures against other schools in Milton Keynes in Boys Basketball, Boys Football, Girls Netball and Girls Football as part of the Milton Keynes Schools Fixtures calendar. All schools in Milton Keynes are placed into various leagues with up to 8 rounds of games per season taking place from September- March. So far this season we have had a range of results, however our standout performances have included:

- Y7 Basketball beating Webber 25-8
- Y9 Basketball beating Webber 26-4
- Y11 Basketball beating Webber 13-6
- Y10 Boys Football beating **Lord Grey** 7-1

- Y8 Girls Football beating Sir Herbert Leon 4-2

We have also supported the reintegration of rugby back into Milton Keynes schools by attending a Y7 rugby training and game play session at Oakgrove school which the boys thoroughly enjoyed. This week is full of netball fixtures with all years in action, alongside a KS4 Rugby Tournament, so keep your eyes peeled for the next set of results!

### **Free stuff**

If you have a child who loves to run, hike, ski, snowboard, horse-ride, cycle or camp then this is a great opportunity for them to attend one or more of the events advertised below. The aim is to encourage participation in outside activities for both physical and mental health benefits.

All of the events below feature an incredible speaker line-up and interactive features which are included within the ticket. Details and ticket offer include:

### **[The National Running Show, 21-22 January, NEC Birmingham](#)**

Speakers include: Colin Jackson, Dean Karnazes, Dina Asher-Smith, Eilish McColgan, Gary Robbins, Iwan Thomas, Jenni Falconer, John Regis, Joshua Patterson and Kriss Akabusi

Features include: Steve Cram training camps with the man himself, The Run Clinic, Ice Bath challenge and zones dedicated to strength training, pilates and recovery

More info and tickets at [www.nationalrunningshow.com](http://www.nationalrunningshow.com)

**OFFER: Free tickets with code [SCHOOLS](#) when you book before November 30th.**

### **[The National Equine Show, 4-5 March, NEC Birmingham](#)**

Speakers include: Charlotte Dujardin, Carl Hester, Esme Higgs, Alex Hua Tian, Piggy March, Sir Lee Pearson, Verity Smith and Rosie Tapner

Features include: Riding simulators, Inspiration Stage, Catwalk for equestrian fashion and retail experiences

More info and tickets at [www.nationalequineshow.com](http://www.nationalequineshow.com)

**OFFER: Free tickets with code [SCHOOLS](#) when you book before December 15th.**

### **[The National Outdoor Expo, 18-19 March, NEC Birmingham](#)**

Speakers include: Ben Fogle, Preet Chandi, Ray Mears, Alastair Humphreys, Mya-Rose Craig and Pete Whittaker

Features include: The Climbing Wall, Outdoor Kitchen, Wildlife Watching Pavilion, Bushcraft Zone, Stand Up Paddle Boarding on the lake and a Zip line.

More info and tickets at [www.nationaloutdoorexpo.com](http://www.nationaloutdoorexpo.com)

**OFFER: Free tickets with code [SCHOOLS](#) when you book before December 31st.**

## HPV Vaccination

If your child is in year 8 and missed their HPV Vaccination when the team were in the school, please note the Immunisation team will be running catch up sessions where your child can receive the vaccination.

Please note these are drop in clinics and NO APPOINTMENTS are needed. The clinics will be held on the dates below between: 10am – 2pm

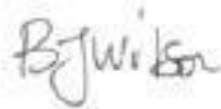
Tuesday 25th October Bedford, Stagsden Village Hall, MK43 8SQ

Wednesday 26th October Biggleswade, The Orchard Community Centre SG18 8SZ

Thursday 27th October Luton – Wigmore Church & Community Centre LU2 9TE

Finally remember we have a training day on Friday and the school will be closed for our students.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "B. J. Wilson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'B'.

**Mr Wilson** - Associate Principal