

## Another amazing year comes to an end!

## **Dates for your Diary**

04/09/2023 Inset day
05/09/2023 First day back
08/09/2023 Year 10 work
experience deadline
21/09/2023 All Year groups Tutor
Parents evening (further info to
follow)
28/09/2023 Primary school open
evening (Years 5 and 6)
12/10/2023 Year 11 GCSE trip
(further info to follow)
19/10/2023 Last day of term
20/10/2023 Return to school

## Our new school day

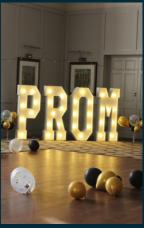
| 8.40  | Students to be on site. Gate is closed |
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| 8.45  | Assembly/Tutor time                    |
| 9.10  | Lesson 1                               |
| 10.10 | Lesson 2                               |
| 11.10 | Break                                  |
| 11.30 | Lesson 3                               |
| 12.30 | Lesson 4                               |
| 1.30  | Lunch                                  |
| 2.05  | Lesson 5                               |
| 3.05  | Tutor time                             |
| 3.15  | End                                    |

On the 5th of September our school day will be changing to the above timings. This is going to allow students to have extra time in their Tutor groups at both the start and end of each day.

### Year 11 Prom

On July 7th we had a very successful Year 11 prom. The students were an absolute credit to themselves and to the school and I am immensely proud of how they held themselves. On the night, students all appeared to have a lovely time and it felt a nice way to celebrate their time at Stantonbury over the last few years. On the following Google Drive link you will find photos of the students from the night which show how much effort they made in getting ready and all staff involved really loved seeing how grown up they all looked.







#### **PE NEWS**

End of year Summer term round up

What a final half term we've had! We've had rounders, Football and even our first softball game. In rounders we've competed against Milton Keynes Academy, Walton High and Kents Hill Park with some great results. In football, our Y7, 8 and 10 boys took part in the annual 6-aside tournaments at Sir Herbert Leon. This brought the Y7's boys their first win with a goal from Jude and a 3rd place finish for the Y10's. As we approach the end of term, we are nearly ready to release our fixture list for next year so keep your eyes peeled for the important dates!

Good luck to all those in the Sports Day finals on Friday!

### Bedrock 100% club

7yJG and their tutor Jordan Godfrey celebrated being the first tutor group to join the 100% club this week! They were awarded for having 100% of the group log in and make progress on Bedrock in our weekly tracking. Bedrock is the self study programme used by all of KS3 to support developing their reading and vocabulary understanding skills and is helping all of our students make accelerated reading progress. Who will be the next tutor group to reach 100% engagement? Well done to 7yJG! Keep up the good work!



## A credit to our school

We recieved the following message from a member of the public last Friday afternoon:

"I visited Aldi on Friday afternoon when it was raining heavily and whilst racing to my car I dropped my purse with quite a bit of cash in it as I was on my way to pay it into the bank for my work.

A female student of yours found it and handed it into the store, and when I collected it all of the cash was remaining. It seems that good deeds of teenagers don't often go noticed these days, and I was very grateful that she had taken the time to pick it up and hand it in, in the pouring rain."

Well done to this student! This clearly shows our values of "Responsibility and Respect".



#### **Revolution Manchester**

Seven of our Year 10 students travelled 152 miles to Manchester last week. Mason, Grace, Ksirin, Felix, Freddy, Isobel and Haddy. Miss Chappell, our Ethos Team Manager and Miss Rule, one of our Student Support Leaders, accompanied them. They joined other students from schools across the country for a Social Action Project serving the community of Manchester, the in need and vulnerable. Over 3 days they completed four main projects:

- Cleared a residential garden for a family at risk with 4 highly disabled children
- · Cleared and made safe a community garden
- Worked in the night kitchen feeding the homeless
- Set up a community food pantry

All 7 students were a credit to themselves and our school community. Some photographs and some of their thoughts below. Thank you to the Grace Foundation who organized this trip and supported our students.







#### Mason said:

'I enjoyed the trip, meeting new people, growing friendships and supporting the Manchester community. I experienced a new religion and the means and values of Christianity. The week was so well organised and I couldn't have asked for any better. The staff members were amazing and welcoming and this made us all feel comfortable to be productive and work hard.'

### Haddy said:

'This experience was enlightening and exposed me to different perspectives and really taught me to count my blessings. Helping others is the foundation of happiness. I met amazing people, thank you for giving me the opportunity to learn.'



## Well done Mathew!

Mathew Hazell-O'Mahoney (Year 12) is part of the MKT Young Company at Milton Keynes Theatre and recently appeared in (Circle Dreams Around) The Terrible, Terrible Past by Simon Longman at Stantonbury Theatre.

He plays two parts, including the 'Fish Butcher' in this quirky piece about a recurring dream with chickens, fish, cows, a butcher and other more or less familiar chacters. The dream circles round and round, seemingly with no end. He is preparing to perform again during the Easter holidays at The Royal & Derngate in Northampton as part of the NT Connections Festival.

Break a leg, Mathew!





## Staying safe this summer

Staying safe over the summer holidays
Please share this QR code with your students /children.
They can download this onto their phone and have top
tips and contact numbers for staying safe whilst
enjoying their summer holidays.







## **ART**

Art students from Stantonbury School Sixth Form have painted a mural for our Stantonbury Health Centre. The piece, which will form part of the young artists' A-Level portfolios, was designed to inspire and raise spirits and it is already a hit among the Talking Therapies staff.

"I think it's fantastic," said Team Manager, Jake Thorpe. "We're so grateful to the students of Stantonbury School for helping create a message of hope for people who use our services."

Becky Gouverneur, the pupils' art teacher who led the project, hopes that the piece can help bring the community closer together.

She said: "Working on a project like this for a client in a real-world setting has been invaluable to our students to experience how art could be pursued as a career option.

"The sense of pride we all share in having created something which will be appreciated by so many has been amazing and we have had so many lovely comments by visitors and staff while we have been working to keep us motivated. "Thank you to Jake for reaching out and giving us the opportunity to show how our students here at Stantonbury can shine!" Each student was presented with a certificate of thanks when the project was completed on 12 July, and a plaque now hangs next to the piece as a dedication to their efforts. The art department is looking forward to creating our next mural within the school based on the history of Milton Keynes.









## Cultural dress day

On Wednesday 19th July we had another successful culture day that celebrated the vibrant communities within our school. This is an incredibly important event as it provides an opportunity to understand and enjoy each other's culture. It promotes respect and harmony between people and communities. Something we are passionate about here at Stantonbury which is why Respect is part of our school values.

As we look forward to next year we would like to continue to build upon this annual tradition and will be forming a working party to help coordinate next year's event. Should any students (or indeed parents) wish to assist in developing this event further, please contact Miss Canning. (lorellie.canning@stantonburytove.org.uk)







## Midnight Moo

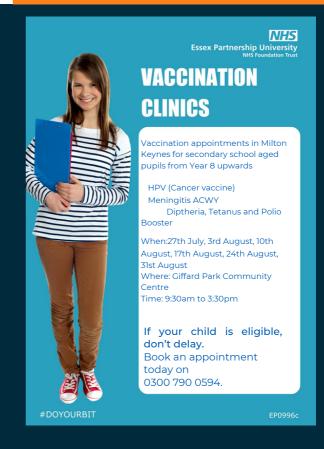
The Stantonbury Stars 2023 had a Moo-Tastic time walking 10 miles around MK raising money for Willen Hospice. Thank you to everyone who has donated, we have raised £319 on and off line. You can continue to donate here. We are all ready to go for 2024 and we aim to get to the pic-amix at mile 6 before it's all gone #MOOOOOO





## Important information regarding Medical.

We are now using a new system called Medical Tracker in school which enables us to send notifications to parents if their child has had an accident, or if medication is administered or about to expire. It is imperative that parents ensure their contact details are up to date, including their email address as this is where the majority of notifications are sent.









# PARENT INFORMATION



## **ATTENTION PARENTS!!!**

Summer Kids club is now open for bookings, we have limited spaces available. The fun never stops come rain or shine at our Kids Club holiday designed for ages 5-13 years.

Creative play will help them gain confidence, learn new skills all while having fun during the holidays.

We aim to make every day different by making full use of our fabulous facilities including swimming pool, sports hall and outdoor 3g pitch allowing sports, swimming, creative play, juggling, crash mat rounders and more.

We promise to keep them entertained while they make friends and have fun.

Book a whole week, full day or half-day!

For more information or to book please call our reception team on

01908 324466



### Food Bank

The food bank will continue over the summer holidays with Ms Farley and Ms Rule will take over this in September.



# GIRLS GIVE RUGBY A TRY!



# 3 FREE TASTER SESSIONS

Olney Rugby Club is proud of its successful and growing Minis & Juniors section and is always keen to welcome new players of all genders, backgrounds, abilities & age

All new players are invited to 3 FREE taster sessions to see if rugby is for you before you join the club for the upcoming season.

## NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

NEEDED

MAKE NEW FRIENDS

HAVE FUN WHILST GETTING FIT

JOIN THE GLOBAL RUGBY FAMILY

ALL COACHES DBS CHECKED

**Girls Teams** 

**U12s – year 7** 

**U14s - year 8/9** 

**U14s - year 10/11** 

**U18s - year 12/13** 

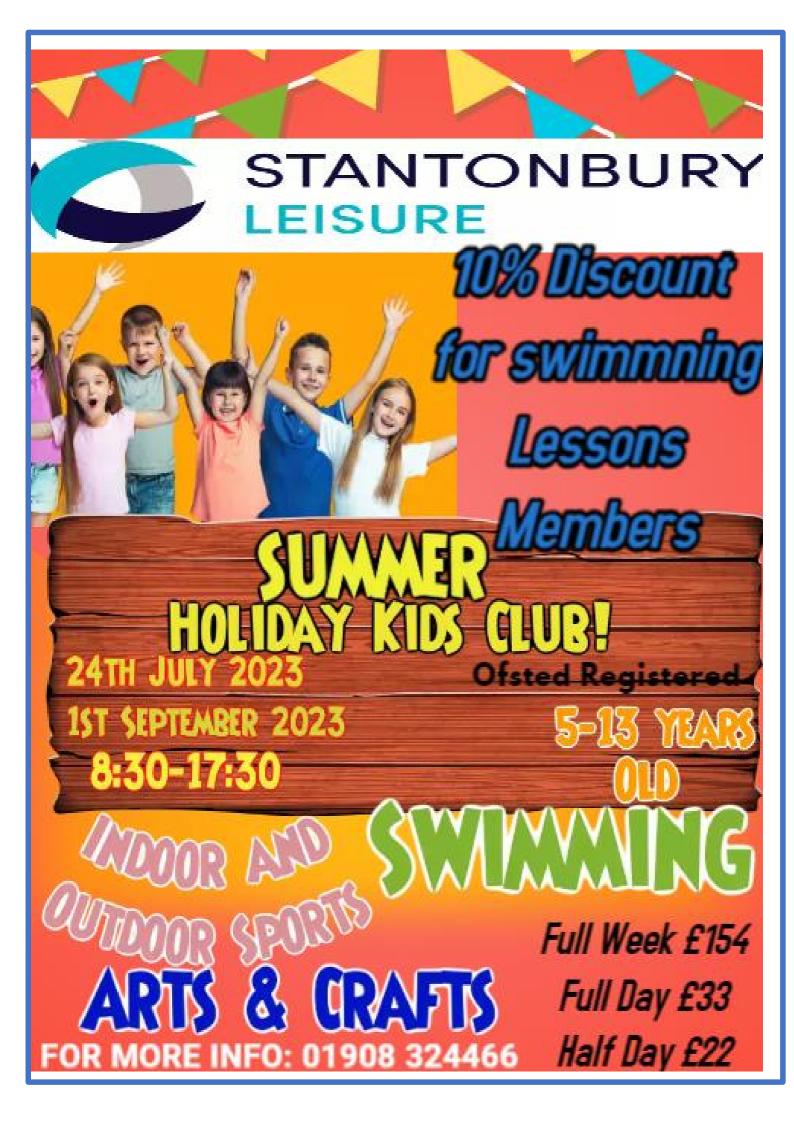
Training starts on Sunday 3rd September Check website & social media for more details

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GIVE RUGBY A TRY SIMPLY CONTACT US TO START YOUR TASTER SESSIONS

email: publicity@olneyrfc.co.uk



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Dear Parent / Guardian

## Trespassing on the railway network is extremely dangerous and endangers not only the lives of those on the track, but also passengers, railway staff and the general public.

Many people - especially young people - fail to understand the danger they put themselves and others in, when they make the choice to stray onto the rail network.

As summertime approaches, we are already seeing an increase in the number of incidents being reported.

Incidents we're seeing involve children and young people:

- Hanging around on station platforms and crossing the tracks.
- Walking along the railway lines.
- Throwing stones at trains.
- Placing objects on the railway lines.
- Using the railway as a playground.

I am sure you agree that all of the above activities are extremely dangerous.

The British Transport Police and Network Rail are seeking the support of parents and guardians to highlight the danger and implications of these activities to help us reduce the number of young people putting themselves and others at significant risk.

To assist with the conversation there are a number of online videos available and range depending on the age group of your child.

#### **Links to Videos**

Home - Switched On!

(switchedonrailsafety.co.uk) Educational
resources for children - Network Rail Home You vs. Train (youvstrain.co.uk)

Stay Safe with Thomas - Network Rail

#### **Key Messages**

Trains are always running on the railway and can differ in times meaning that you can never predict when a train will pass. The Electricity is **ALWAYS** switched on around the railway.

Always **Stop, Look and Listen** before using a Level Crossing.

#### DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOUR CHILDREN ARE?

Trespassing on the railway is also a **criminal offence** which can involve your child obtaining a criminal record and a fine of £1000.

If you wish to report any information to us, please call us on Freephone 0800 40 50 40 or text the information to 61016.