



# Notice Board

31st January 2019



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## The week ahead

Friday 1st	1.30pm FOSS meeting—all welcome
Tuesday 5th	Rag2Riches collection by 9am please
Wednesday 6th	2pm SATs meeting for Y6 Parents.
Wednesday 13th	Parent's evening
Thursday 14th	Parent's evening
Thursday 14th	Netball Club Cancelled

**We are holding a music concert for pupils on Tuesday 2nd April from 5pm.** This concert is to celebrate the music within school and the achievements of children over the past 12 months. If your child learns a musical instrument outside of school and would like an opportunity to perform, we would love them to join us. Please see Mrs Druce in the office about musical pieces for the programme. Thank you.

## My first experience of Young Voices

2019 is the year where I have finally understood what everyone was going on about when they talked to me about Young Voices. It's a simple but effective concept – participating schools across the country all learn the same songs and then come together in a variety of locations for concerts allowing thousands of children to sing together and teachers and families to be united by music. Stanton School Choir has been practising for our Young Voices concert weekly since September both in school and at home using a Spotify playlist. And our big day finally arrived on Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> January.



A coach transported the choir, parents and teachers up to Birmingham NEC. The teachers ferried the children off to their afternoon of rehearsals while parents used their time very wisely for long lunches and sociable drinks! At 6pm the doors opened for us to take our seats. This was where the first of many memorable moments happened for me. As we approached the arena, I could hear excited cheering – specifically, all 6108 children who were singing in the concert that night from hundreds of schools, all cheering and shouting because they could see their families taking their seats in the arena, all wearing their Young Voices T-shirts. I will never forget how it looked nor the wall of sound that we encountered when we walked in. Stanton parents had fantastic seats this year and we were only a few rows back from the stage. The school choir was directly in front of us, halfway up the stand and so we were lucky enough to have a fantastic view of our children, and they could see us! One family had brought a load of orange glow sticks which we all waved and so parents and children were connected in the massive stadium. The concert finally began at 7pm and the next 2 hours were just incredible. I cannot really put into words how amazing the sound of 6108 children all singing in harmony is or how it makes you feel, but there were moments when it genuinely took my breath away. The live band on stage accompanied the children, who were directed by a professional conductor (in his twentieth year of being involved in Young Voices). There were 3 solo artists, including Tony Hadley (amazing!!), leading the children in some songs, not to mention the street dancers, backing singers, lighting effects and the host who led us all the way through. The children also performed by themselves – various medleys, folk numbers and popular themes from 'Moana' and 'The Greatest Showman'. There was something for everyone - what a night!

I am sure I speak on behalf of all parents involved when I say I am so grateful to Mrs Winterburn, Mrs MacKenzie and Mrs Austin who have worked so hard with the choir, and who looked after the children so well on the day. We are so lucky that Stanton takes part in this event, as not many local schools do, and I have never felt prouder to be part of Stanton St Quintin Primary School. It was a truly wonderful experience and the first thing my son said to me when we were reunited at the coach was, "I want to do it again next year." And I felt exactly the same. So, in your time with SSQ, I highly recommend the school choir and Young Voices to you and your child. My son and I found it to be an enriching and uplifting experience that we wouldn't have missed for the world.

Yvonne Cole

Hi everyone,  
A little update from FOSS -

We are delighted to have purchased 2 new netball posts for school.  
We know they will be well used, if the old ones are anything to go by!

It is our Rags2Riches collection next week on 5th Feb, so please bring in your bags and ask your friends and neighbours if they have anything they could contribute too.

We are having a FOSS meeting this Friday at 1:30pm to discuss the Easter Egg Hunt and possible school disco. We'd love to have your input and ideas - please feel free to come along and join us tomorrow. Drop me an email - [yvonne@coleplanet.com](mailto:yvonne@coleplanet.com) - and I can let you know where it is. Best wishes,

Yvonne and the FOSS Team



## Severe Weather— School Closures

We will contact parents by the following means:

- ⇒ Text message—if you have set up your Parentpay account to receive texts from us.
- ⇒ Email via your Parentpay account.
- ⇒ Announcement via BBC Radio Wiltshire & Heart FM
- ⇒ Website strapline will read "School Closure" and the date.

## WANTED: TELESales EXECUTIVE

Hullavington

Full-time position



The Flying Monk Brewery, located just off J17 of the M4, is a rapidly growing producer of award-winning ales. We supply to many of the pubs in the South-West so you've probably tried our ale.



We are looking for an enthusiastic individual to join our busy sales team. The successful candidate will be making sales calls to both prospective and existing customers. Telesales experience is preferred, along with good IT skills as the brewery database will need to be constantly updated with call notes and orders. We are a small team so a flexible attitude is essential, and some weekend work will occasionally be required to cover sales from the brewery shop. Knowledge of beer would help, but full product training will be given.

Please get in touch with us to let us know why this is for you and why we should include you in our future growth plans.

Email: [admin@theflyingmonkbrewery.co.uk](mailto:admin@theflyingmonkbrewery.co.uk)  
Telephone: 01666 838415

# Community News

## What's going on at Biddestone Cricket Club?



Indoor cricket coaching for years 4/5 and 6.

Hardenhuish School Gym – Chippenham.

Commences Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February.

6 until 7.30pm.

Level 3 ECB coaches.

Then every Sunday for 9 weeks.



Love to see you there.  
Cricket equipment provided.  
Bring a friend with you!  
Join in the fun and enjoy cricket.  
More info call 07795326518  
Email [andrew.short@manuli.co.uk](mailto:andrew.short@manuli.co.uk)



UP & UNDER SPORTS

## Hardenhuish School February Half Term Multi Sports Course

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019



@ Hardenhuish School, Chippenham SN14 6RJ | 9am – 4pm  
Open to boys and girls of all abilities aged 6 - 13

Learn new sports, improve your skills,  
make new friends and HAVE FUN!!

Extended hour for working parents 4 – 5pm | £5 per day



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