



Notice Board

12th December 2019



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What a performance !

A huge congratulations to the **Darling Team** for a superb Nativity performance on Monday evening. Not only was the singing amazing but the confidence children showed in delivering their lines and in the way they moved in and around the stage was stunning. Even though I am a *very proud Headteacher*, I echo many comments from parents and family.

Thank you to Delilah and Elliot for stepping in to support at the last minute, also to Rowan and Niah for their help with the music and lights. A special mention to also Bonnie, who was to be a narrator but poorly on the day. Star credits all round. Well done!

A special mention goes also to the **Year 6 children** who sang at Athelstan House earlier this week with Mrs Druce, Mrs MacKenzie and Mrs Matthews.

Again the overwhelmingly complementary comments from the residents and staff who listened to you, should make you feel very proud. Proud to be Stanton—well done!

Staffing Changes in the School Office

Dear Parents

I have been offered a School Business Manager position at St Joseph's School in Malmesbury. Having been associated with Stanton St. Quintin School for 25 years of my life, you can imagine this is a massive step for me!

I first walked through our SSQ doors 25 years ago and held the role of Treasurer of the SSQ toddler group. Moving on to Clerk to Governors and then Admin and Finance Officer and then on to the position of School Business Manager. It has been hugely rewarding part of my life.

I can't tell you how difficult it will be to hand my keys over and walk away.

Mrs Winterburn and the School Governors have now started the recruitment process and adverts will be published on the school's website and Wiltshire Vacancy Bulletin by the end of this term.

During this period of transition we hope that the school office will run as smoothly as possible, but ask for your support and understanding during the hand over period.

Many thanks
Anita Druce

The weeks ahead—the countdown has begun.

13th Dec	Christmas Window Village Workshop
Saturday 14th	Last After School Lacrosse Club Stanton Christmas Village Window Trail
17th Dec	Christmas/Winter Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch (pre ordered)
19th Dec	Last After School PanthA Club
20th Dec	Christmas Service at St Giles—2pm End of Term—children may be picked up from 2pm
6th January	Children return to school

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The Last Week of Term !

After what can only be described as an extremely busy term we have nearly reach the last week.

When I look back over the school diary, the children have certainly been involved in many wider curriculum learning opportunities this term:

- * Ghanaian drumming and dance
- * Speak Out Stay Safe—NSPCC
- * E-Safety Parent Workshop
- * Anti Bullying Week
- * Remembrance Service
- * Rags2Riches
- * Dogs Trust and Beau visits
- * Maths Explore and Sheldon Drama Workshops
- * Carol Singing
- * Travelling Theatre Pantomime
- * Darling Class Nativity
- * Village Window Trail

And this is in addition to the regular Yoga, Ukulele, Open the Book and Lacrosse (although I truly hope for drier weather in the new year for more pitch time).

I would like to thank all the Stanton Community—staff, parents, Governors and local groups in supporting our children in the having such amazing opportunities.

Next week we will be supporting Save the Children by wearing Christmas/Winter jumpers on Tuesday 17th. Please give generously for this non school uniform day. We look forward also to seeing you at St Giles' Church on Thursday 19th December at 2pm for our Christmas Service.

And finally just a reminder that children can be collected from school on Friday 20th December from 2pm.

Happy last week of term !

Request for Amazon Class

Next week in Amazon class we are going to decorate Yule Logs that the children will then bring home. We are asking for a donation of £1.50 towards the cost of the ingredients and decoration and will set up a parentpay item for this.

Please could you also send in a named tin or plastic container for them to bring it home in.

Many thanks for your continued support
Kate South



Community News

St Giles Church Community café/coffee shop

In September 18 school parents responded to a questionnaire sent out about holding a café/coffee shop in St Giles church, opposite the school. All responses were positive, several said they would use the facility if it was there and three responses offered help of some sort. I did not have names of those who were willing to be involved. If you are willing to help at the cafe/coffee shop can you please email me on msg4ang@hotmail.co.uk so that I can discuss this further. Our initial thoughts are to have two sessions a week (one morning and one afternoon) with two people on duty at one time, one from the church plus one from the village or the school. Thank you for your interest in this project.

Angela Smith

Stanton Social Committee Presents

A Christmas Trail



The Afternoon of Saturday 14 December

This year the villagers of Stanton St Quintin will be setting a trail of Christmas decorations for all the family to enjoy.

Along with this, there will be a 'seek and find' competition.

Entry forms will be available for £1 and there are a number of ways in which you can acquire yours:

- Through a door-to-door campaign in the week before
- From a member of committee - Gabrielle, 01666 838 391
- From the BP service station
- On the day, from Stanton Parish Hall (SN14 6DE) from 1:30pm

The Christmas Trail finishes at 4:00pm for a seasonal gathering at the Parish Hall for mulled wine, mince pies, a raffle and the announcement of the winner.

We look forward to seeing you there.

This year The Stanton Social Committee will be supporting two main funds - Teach Us Too (the campaign associated with Jonathan Bryan) and Julia's House. As in the past, we will also continue to support the primary school and the Parish Hall.



STANTON ST QUINTIN CHURCH

ADVENT FAMILY SERVICE



Sunday, 15th December, 9.30am
Bring your Advent Calendar to
show us

Come and share a happy, friendly service for children and adults of all ages. You will be very welcome, with or without children. Refreshments afterwards

CHRISTMAS FAMILY SERVICES

5pm Crib on Christmas Eve
9.30 Family Service on Christmas Day