



Newsletter 16

13th January, 2017

Happy Friday!

Thank you to all the children and parents who came to support the **Chosen By Children Stationery Shop** after school last week. I was so impressed by the thinking and organisation that had gone into it, and it proved to be a huge success, so much so that we are really hopeful it will become a regular event. The children were brilliant and have been supported throughout by Mr and Mrs Stringer – Thank you!

The shop will be open again today in the ICT Suite after school.

Rondo Drama Group... is a child-centred theatre group based here in school. It is for children aged 8-15 from across the local area and we proudly host it every Monday between 4.45 and 6pm. It is run by the very experienced and talented Paulo and he does have the capacity to welcome more children at the moment. Experience is not necessary, just energy and enthusiasm, and Paulo has worked hard to create a club where children are able to flourish and grow as people as well as performers. For more information, please contact Paulo at speaktomegabriel@gmail.com or book via ticketsource.co.uk/rondotheatre.

After School Club Opportunity... we currently have a vacancy in the After School Club team. The role is 3.00 to 6.15, Monday to Friday. If you are interested please contact me by Tuesday 17th January.

Lily's Sale... Our creative children are at it again! Lily in Year 6 is organising a sale in aid of the Syrian crisis. It will be in the ICT after school on Friday 20th January. Please support it if you can.

Have a great weekend, Andy Bowman

Message from the PTA.....

NEWS UPDATE: St Stephen's School Quiz Night.

Teams of 6 instead of 8 - £10 pp or a team of 6 for £60 - Details below and to follow in book bags.



Q: Who is the mystery Quiz Master for the St. Stephen's 'School Quiz with a Difference' (and a bar, prizes and amazing Caribbean Meal courtesy of L J Hugs street food as seen in New Southgate) at 7.30pm on FRIDAY 27th Jan?

A: Come along to find out! BRING YOUR TEAM (of 6) OR TURN UP AND JOIN A TABLE ON THE NIGHT. FAMILY, FRIENDS & NEIGHBOURS WELCOME (ADULTS ONLY). TICKETS £10pp FROM SCHOOL RECEPTION. LIMITED NUMBERS SO DON'T MISS OUT.

----- All Proceeds to the School PTA -----



Children That Worry - Parent Session Reminder

Have you got a child that worries a lot? Do they fret about everyday issues, world events or friendships? You are not alone! Do you need help knowing what to say or putting in effective strategies at home?

If yes, our school nurse Clare Squires is on hand to help, spending an hour with lots of ideas and strategies that may help you.

Venue: St Stephen's CE Primary School

Time: 2-3pm

Date: Wednesday 18th January 2017

Just turn up, all welcome! Thank you! Mrs Presland

Storybox Theatre... Just a reminder about the voluntary contribution for the Storybox visit on 27th January. We would like the £2.50 contributions via Parentpay by the 23rd January please. This is always a really special event in our calendar and without sufficient contributions it may not viable. Thank you very much.

Thank you from the Salvation Army... Following our toy collection before Christmas, I recently received this letter from the Salvation Army and wanted everyone to have chance to read it. Thank you, Mrs Scott.

"We, at the Salvation Army in Bath, wanted to say a big thank you to your children and their families. The Salvation Army were able to help over 500 children with the toys you and others donated. We really appreciate the support and time you gave to this cause and want you to know that your donations were very well received. Many thanks for your help, and we pray you have a happy New Year."

Diary Dates.....

Coming up in January.....

27th - Storybox Theatre

27th - PTA Quiz night

Coming up in February.....

7th - Newbarn Meeting 6pm

9th - Last day for pupils

10th - INSET DAY

20th - Term 4 begins

22nd & 23rd - Parent Consultations

Lost Property... We have a growing mountain of lost property in Sarah's Room (Year 1-2 corridor). If an item is clearly named, it will usually find its way back to its owner, however the clothing in Sarah's Room is either unnamed or is second hand and still has the name of its previous owner in it. As well as coats and jumpers, there are also odd gloves (and socks!) so if you are missing one and can't find it at home, we might have the answer!

We will put all of the lost property out in the courtyard playground on Friday morning and Friday after school next week so please do come and check. Any items that have been with us for over a term will have to be disposed of if they are not claimed. Thank you.

And finally... This week we heard from Dorothy House that their Christmas Tree recycling scheme raised over £6,000 to support their excellent work. If you took part in this scheme, they asked us to pass their thanks on to you for helping to make it such a success.

