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Welcome Back and a Very Happy New Year to you all!

Even though it is a short week we are back to business. The children are already exploring their new topics and our assembly today, exploring new and old and aspirations for the forthcoming year, has made for a busy start to the term.

We welcome Mrs Talmage to Stanton today. Mrs Talmage has taken up the post of Darling Class teacher and at the same time wish Miss Eels the very best in her new role at St Marys School. Thank you to everyone who contributed to Secret Notes— we hope that she enjoys her John Lewis Vouchers and thinks of us as she spends and uses them.

Curriculum Maps and Class Letters will be shared as part of the weekly communications next week, but please spend a little time looking at this terms dates on page two this Newsletter

Woods for Darling and Nile Class and extra curricular clubs will also begin next week. The list of clubs available to children will be attached with this week's communications. Please contact the school office if your child would like to take part in a club. There is an expectation of commitment for at least the term.

As the weather is so changeable, please make sure that children have their winter clothes in school—coats, hats, gloves etc. Also if these can be named then we are more able to return them to the rightful owners if misplaced.

Safeguarding is always at the forefront of practice at Stanton. The Governing Body and Staff have been reviewing our safer practices regarding Lockdown procedures. These procedures are attached with this weeks Newsletter.

Yours sincerely

Karen Winterburn
Headteacher

Young Voices 2018 3 weeks and counting!

The choir will soon be going to the O2 Arena to take part in Young Voices 2018. A plea from Mrs Mackenzie and Mrs Winterburn—please keep practicing the songs.. There are lots of ways of doing this either through the Young Voices website—clicking on the children's area <https://www.youngvoices.co.uk/for-children>. The code will be shared with the children at choir tomorrow and sent via parent pay today. For those of you who have Spotify there is a YV2018 playlist. If children have misplaced words we will have spares for tomorrow's session.

A "getting ready for the big day" letter will go home next week with logistics etc. We haven't received the tickets yet but once we do we will send these home. Mrs Druce will be calculating transport costs and will be requesting payments via ParentPay this week.

Many thanks

Diary Dates for Spring 2017

Term 3

January

Week commencing 8th	Fee paid music lessons commence
Thursday 11th	Darling & Nile first woods visit of the term
Tuesday 23rd	Whole School—Quantum traveling theatre company—Maths themed performance
Saturday 27th	Village Event—Jumble Sale, village hall 1-3pm
Tuesday 30th	2-2.30pm School Nurse drop in session

February

Friday 2nd	Young Voices—02 Arena London
Friday 2nd	All Active Academy—for selected children
Tuesday 6th	Saver Internet Day
Tuesday 6th	Parents Evening
Wednesday 7th	2.30pm Praise Assembly—Parent's invited
Thursday 8th	Parent's Evening
Friday 9th	End of Term 3

Polite Parking Request

Parking: This is always a problem outside school; the use of the school bus or shared lifts will greatly help. Please note that directly opposite the school is a passing bay, not a public lay-by, please do not park in this area as this causes a grid lock at peak times when the school bus is picking up.

May we remind you that our **yellow zig zags are to be kept clear**— No picking up, dropping off, or parking! However, as we do not have any blue bay markings, blue badge holders may park on the zigzags if their vehicles are not obstructing access or causing danger to pedestrians—this is advice that has been taken from the community officers.

As good neighbours, we would also ask for parents **not to block access to residents drive ways, or park on the grass verges** on the road up to the woods which causes upset and complaints.

