

Newsletter 35 13/07/2018

Dear Parents,

The penultimate week of the school year has certainly provided lots of fun for the children and hopefully an antidote to England's departure from the World Cup this week. The children are certainly ready for their Summer break.



Since the beginning of the Summer term, the Phase 3 children have been rehearsing for the end of year production of Aladdin and all the work they have put in culminated in two excellent performances on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. There were packed houses for both performances, despite the clash on Wednesday with the World cup semi-final. As always, it was a privilege to see the poise and confidence of the children as they performed, but what was especially pleasing was to see the contribution that everyone who was involved had in making the show such a success - it was a true team effort. I am sure those of you who were lucky enough to have tickets will join me in thanking the Phase 3 team, led by Miss David, for all their hard work and dedication and all the other members of staff and parents for

their individual efforts and giving up all their time. I am sure Miss David is already researching what next year's show will be so watch this space!

I must also thank the fantastic member of the Friends who attended on both nights to organise and serve the interval refreshments. On such hot evenings, they were very welcome and much needed!

This year we have again supported the MGSO4 Epsom and Ewell Arts Festival, and on Saturday four children attended a prize-giving at Bourne Hall as part of the MGSO4 Epsom and Ewell Arts Festival. In celebration of the 400 year anniversary of the discovery of Epsom Salts, the Festival had launched a creative competition for children and young people celebrating 'lost words' from our borough. Artwork and poetry contributions were judged by a panel of local artists and poets and we were very proud to learn that drawings from Rafferty Beer and Jacob Trew and poems from Megan Dowson, Tanna Pitout and Daisy Stephens were all selected as winners! All of their work has been included in a booklet, 'The Lost Words of Epsom Common', a copy of which was presented to each child and to the school. Our poets read their poems out with impressive confidence and maturity to the large audience using a microphone while the artists discussed their work and took a bow to huge applause. Look out for copies of their entries and photos of the prize-giving later on in the newsletter.

Nature Speaks the Lost Words of Epsom: The Flittermouse

*F*lying swiftly away, hunting its prey,
*L*ighting up the night, beginning its flight,
*I*nto the darkness ...
*T*urning around, what has it found?
*T*asting the corpse's blood, it flies away,
*E*very night hunting and sleeping by day,
*R*emember this poem for years to come,
*M*oon shines at night so keep close to the sun,
*O*ver the hills flittering every day,
*U*nmoticed, sneaking slyly away,
*S*eek shelter in your house,
*E*ach night ... FAR AWAY FROM THE FLITTER MOUSE!

by
Daisy Stephens, Age 9
Southfield Park Primary School

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A few weeks ago our Junior children took part in their District Sports Event, and on Wednesday afternoon it was the turn of the Infant children to show their athletic skills at the Harrier Centre. The children, who were selected from Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, competed against other local schools in running and jumping events. They had a fantastic time and were very proud to be representing Southfield Park. There were some great performances and it was lovely for the children to experience a taste of competitive sport at such an early age. Thank you to Miss Smith for making all the arrangements, to Miss Barrett and Mrs Drake for accompanying the group, and all the parents who came along to cheer. It was a great afternoon for everyone.

Year 3 have been studying the Ancient Greeks this term and brought their learning to a grand finale with a Greek themed day on Friday. They all came to school dressed as Greeks for the day, including all the adults, and took part in some exciting Greek drama workshops to consolidate their work on this amazing topic. It is such an exciting way for the children to draw all the threads of what they have been learning together, and in such an engaging way.



We have been made aware by parents, and also noticed ourselves, that there has been a rise in the number of incidents of anti-social behaviour in Long Grove Park and the car park over the past few months. We have been liaising with Epsom and Ewell Borough Council and Chris Grayling about this and this week Damian Roberts, the Chief Operating Officer, organised a Joint Action Group (JAG) meeting at the school. A JAG meeting is a forum for members of different agencies/organisations to meet to discuss issues and co-ordinate a multi agency response. The meeting was attended by a number of officers from EEBC, including the Parking Officer and the manager of the Park Rangers team, as well as a member of the local Police team, a representative from Youth Services, Mrs Crawford and myself. It was a very productive meeting and together we discussed a number of strategies identified which could be implemented to help reduce the level of anti-social behaviour, which are now being investigated further. One of the key areas in which members of the local community could help is in ensuring that anti-social behaviour is reported to the Police, either by calling 111 or reporting online.

At the moment, the number of reports is low which gives the impression to the police that there is not a problem. They rely on reports and have stressed that when reporting it is important that as well as describing what was witnessed, members of the public give as much detail as possible about the appearance of the perpetrators or any bikes, scooters or cars involved. For example, the number involved, any distinctive clothing or trainers they may be wearing, any colours, makes or customisations on cycle or crash helmets, customisations to bikes and scooters used or vehicle number plates. This information means that when approaching individuals the police have more chance of identifying exactly who was involved and tackling the problem. By working together we hope that we can really help to reduce this problem.

Finally, it is that time of year again when we are evaluating how well our year has been and with that in mind we are seeking parental feedback via our Parent Surveys that can be accessed via <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/5YGV3N2>. Please could you spare a few minutes giving your opinions and feedback on our overall performance and some key areas we have worked on. We have worked hard on developing our playground provision this year as well as securing the Surrey Anti Bullying Chartermark to demonstrate our zero tolerance approach to bullying so we would welcome finding out what you think.

I hope you have a good weekend and are ready for our last week of the school year.

Kind Regards

Kate Gee.

Tweet of the Week

Ties

Please can all Junior children make sure they have their ties on next week.

A decision will be made, day by day, regarding whether or not they should be worn.

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Our sporting heroes of the future

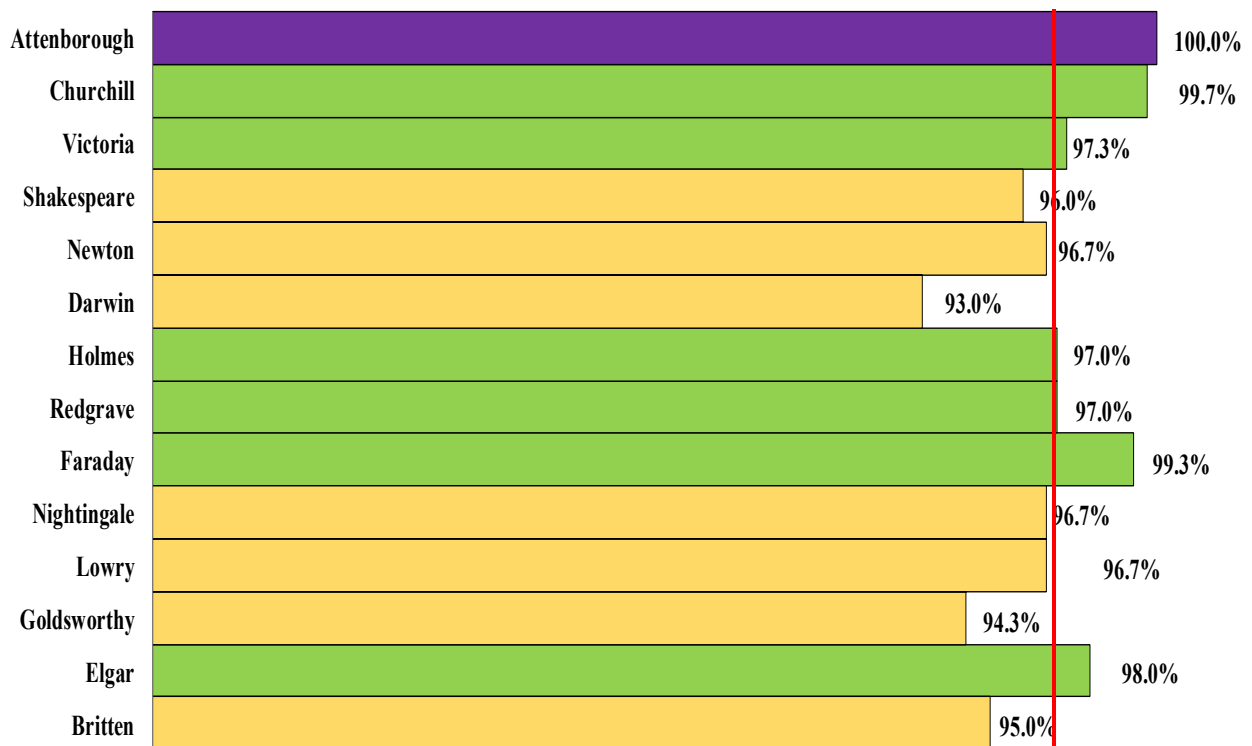


Attendance this week



Sparky says “well done!” to **Attenborough Class**, who had the best attendance this week with **100%**, and to **Elgar, Nightingale, Redgrave, Holmes, Victoria, and Churchill and Classes**, who also had high attendance this week!

Attendance for Monday 9th - Friday 13th July 2018



Lost Property



There is still lots of school uniform and other clothes left outside the office.

It will be disposed of at the end of next week, so please come and have a rummage, or ask your child to have a look.

Food Bank Vouchers

The long summer holiday can be difficult if you struggle financially, no matter what the reason, with children home all day, and needing feeding.

We've been asked to remind families that if they haven't received any red vouchers from another school, they can come to the school office here, in confidence, and we can issue 3 vouchers sufficient for the family unit residing at one address.

Please remember to return all.....

Library books, as the Friends are carrying out a stock take.

‘Book banded’ reading books (these will have a coloured band across the spine of the book, usually towards the bottom end) to your child’s teacher. Stock levels need to be checked - for example, there are no ‘Gold’ level books anywhere in school, so they must be out with the children. Please help them come home!

Any **uniform** your child has borrowed, especially **ties, PE kit, small people socks and pants**. Is your Y6 child leaving this year? Any uniform in good condition can be left in a bag outside the office for the Friends to sell as second hand, and we ALWAYS need ties and PE kit to lend out to children who forget their own.....

Thank you!



Woodcote Green Garden Centre

Did you collect any vouchers, this year?

Please send them into the office as soon as possible so they can be added to the total given to the nursery in exchange for a voucher to spend on brightening up the school grounds!

Other things to remember! School Lunches

A letter came home with every child recently which asked if their current meal pattern was changing in September.

Children are allowed to change their meal pattern at the start of every half term and we need to know at the end of the previous half term so we, and the kitchen, can plan, so please return the form as soon as possible, and NOT at the start of term.

Junior Fruit Tuck Shop

While children are able to bring a snack in from home, a lot of children enjoy buying a piece of fruit or yogurt from the Junior Fruit Tuck Shop.

The cost is going up to 30p from September, a small increase to help us cover the cost of supplies.

Cheep cheep

It's that time in the Summer term when the sounds of chicks comes gently out of the Reception classes—we love it!

Other things to remember: Clubs Forms

Clubs will start on Monday 10th September, and it takes quite a bit of time and effort to organise the registers, put the clubs onto Tucasi, create groups on PMX parentmail, so please don't wait until the last minute to request your places. If a club is over subscribed, then names will be drawn out of a hat to allocate places.

Mrs Hutton will email confirmation of places on Thursday 6th or Friday 7th, September or that a place is not available if this is the case. You will then be asked to pay via Tucasi. The clubs will not be available to pay until then, so please DO NOT send in any money before then, or try to pay online.

Please speak to Mrs Pereira or Mrs Hutton in the office if you have concerns over funding for clubs

If the club is run by an external supplier (other than French and Football), then please book your places as soon as possible, and don't assume that because you had a place this term, you automatically get a place next term.

Please note that the football team will be chosen from the Y5/6 football club, so children must be in the club if they hope to represent the school in competition.



Greece Is The Word....

Yesterday, Year 3 found themselves in ancient Greece!

We had a special Greek Day as a fantastic finish to our 'Ancient Greece' topic.

Throughout the day, the children took part in a range of Greek themed activities including a hands-on workshop by Matrix Theatre. The children learnt all about Athens and Sparta and the battles that they encountered. In the workshop, the children trained to fight, took part in battles, acted out Greek myths and visited a Greek market where they bought Greek food and jewellery with Greek coins. The children loved the workshop and it was a brilliant way to round up all of our learning, in an exciting and practical way.

The children have also written their names using the Greek alphabet, created Greek pottery and made traditional wreaths.

This 'Greek Day' has really enriched the children's learning experience and extended their knowledge even further.

We would also like to say a HUGE thank you to all of the parents who have made contributions towards the theatre workshops, without these we simply could not have funded this memorable day.

Finally, we will leave you some quotes from the children about Greek Day.

"I liked writing my name using the Greek alphabet", Varunika Nishakaran.

"I enjoyed designing our pot, we included Medusa!", Archie Sandys.

"My favourite part was aiming arrows at the Spartans", Joshua Wiles.





Friends of Southfield Park Primary School

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or drop a note in the Friends' Postbox by the school office.

News

Only one more week to go until the end of term! We won't be running an Ice Lolly Friday on the last day of term, but look out for the Friends selling ice lollies and drinks after school throughout next week.

We are already starting to pin down some dates for more fun next school year, see some of these below.

Dates for Your Diaries

Fri, 12th October **Parent Social & AGM** - Quiz & Curry Night - times to be confirmed.

Sat, 1st December **Christmas Fair** - times to be confirmed.

The Giving Machine

Booking that last minute holiday or Summer activities online? Treating your garden to a makeover? Sign up to The Giving Machine and then the likes of Thomson, Eurocamp, Expedia, B&Q, John Lewis and many more will give a small percentage back to the school at no extra cost to you! It's a great way to raise some really valuable funds for very little effort!

Go to <http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/> to sign up, but remember to select "Southfield Park Primary School" as your cause, otherwise you'll be donating to the cause of the week! You can also install a small Shop&Give add-in for PCs, Macs, iOS and Android that will remind you when you're shopping online on a site that supports us!

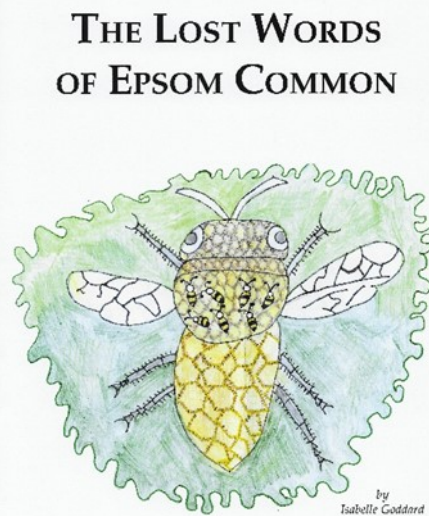
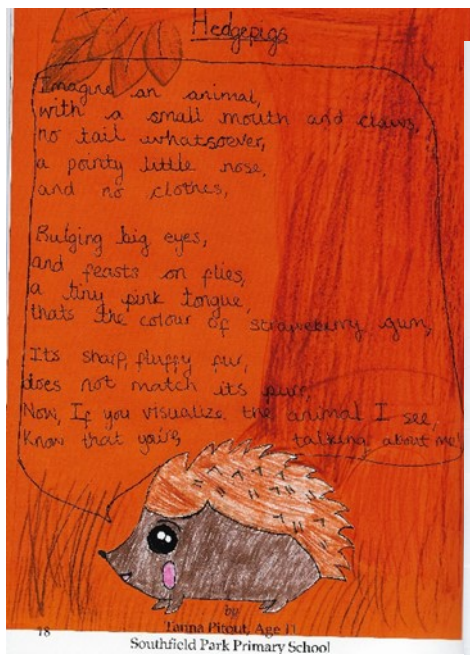
Stamptastic

If you're thinking about name labels for all the new school uniform you'll be getting over the Summer, then take a look at Stamptastic. They will give cashback to the school for purchases made using the following link:

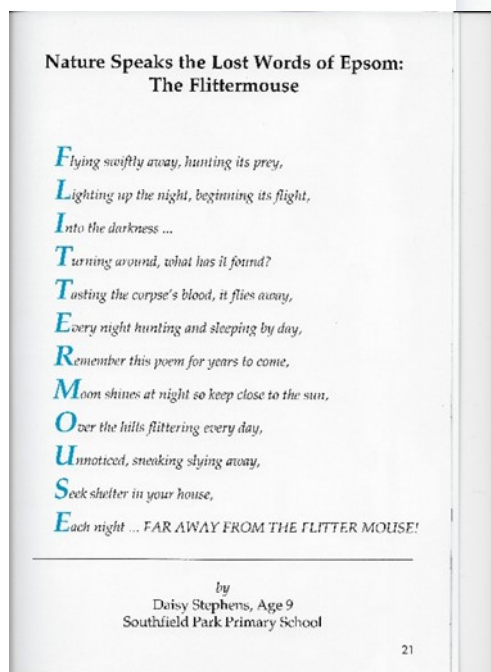
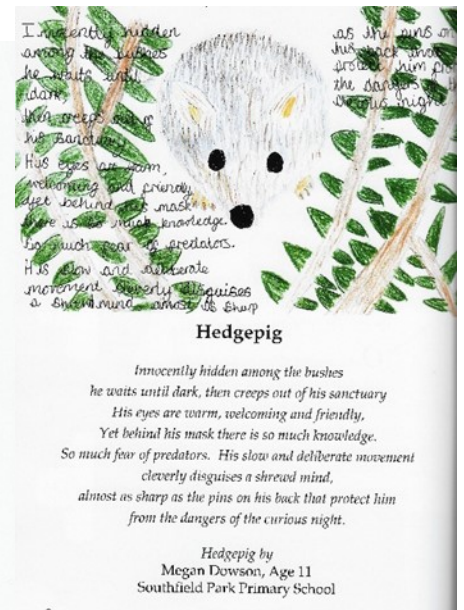
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Our Winners!



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Reminders for Next Week

Monday 16th	Talent Show, pm, no need to audition, but remember to practise! No parents
Tuesday 17th	Phase 2 Summer Celebration, 9am, Faraday & Redgrave parents to watch
Wednesday 18th	Phase 2 Summer Celebration, 9am, Nightingale & Holmes parents to watch Y6 Leavers' Party, 6.30—8.30pm, parents arrive 8pm for celebratory drink
Thursday 19th	
Friday 20th	Y6 Leavers' Assembly, 9am School breaks up for Summer holiday, 1.30pm

Bright Sparks

Well done to our Bright Sparks this week:

Britten	Ollie Backinsell and Harvey Zhang	Elgar	Fatima Al Tubasi and Tyara Seetaloo
Goldsworthy	Ayaan Janjua	Lowry	Jayden Ho
Faraday	Sofia Pissa	Nightingale	Chloe Lebas
Redgrave	Isabella Lawson	Holmes	Josh Wiles
Darwin	Fawwaz Dowlut	Newton	Rhianna Eastwood
Victoria	Amelie Paul	Shakespeare	Alisha Dowlut

Phone: 01372 743104

Fax: 01372 729436

Absence Line: 01372 847965

After school clubs staff: 07824988216

E-mail: info@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk

Polly Sawyer After school club: 07921 147335



ALTITUDE CHEERLEADING

Offering Competitive and recreational Cheerleading
Classes to athletes of all abilities!

Come and be a part of the team...

SAVE THE DATE for our Open day:

SATURDAY 21st JULY

Tolworth Recreation Centre

Ages 5-11 (School year 2- 7) at 11am-1pm

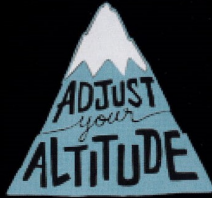
Ages 12- Adult (School year 8+) at 1:30pm-4pm

To sign up and be sent information packs please
email: altitudecheerleading@gmail.com

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23RD JUL – 3RD AUG 2018 SPORTS CAMP

Gary's Football Camp has joined forces with
Gauntlett Boxing Club to create an incredible
Sports Camp this year.

Sports Camp will provide 2 weeks of multiple sports activities
including Rounders, Football, Tennis, Boxing, Basketball and lots
more for girls & boys aged between 8-13 years.

Learn and play different sports each day run by professional
coaches in a fun and sociable way.

WHERE: Gauntlett Boxing Club, Harrier Centre, Poole Road, Epsom,
Surrey, KT19 9RY

WHEN: Mon-Fri 23rd July to 3rd August 2018 9am-3pm

COST: £20 per day

CONTACT: 01372 631263 or 07939 017098
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To book or for payment details call us today on

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Child Safeguarding
Trained

Bring a packed lunch &
Water

Please wear appropriate
kit and footwear for grass
and indoor trainers for
gym.

Shinpads are compulsory



Epsom Common Day

Sunday 29th July 11.00 am – 4.00 pm



Christ Church and the Little Hands Nursery look forward to
providing a range of activities for this fabulous local community
event including

- children's games
- children's discovery trail around the church
- bouncy castle in the hall garden
- forest school experience
- local history exhibition
- afternoon teas in the hall *(toilets also available)*
- organ recital 2-3pm

*Come and join us on the green
straight after morning worship*



National
Trust

Summer holiday fun at Polesden Lacey



Craft activities

Weekdays 23 July-31 August,
11am-2pm

Get creative and make a
different craft every week
of the summer holidays -
try a dreamcatcher, a kite,
a puppet and more. £2 per
craft.

Family adventures

Wed-Sun, 8-26 August

Take on a variety of
missions and challenges to
earn your ranger badges
and help Polesden's new
apprentice ranger Phoebe
to learn more about the
estate and the
Countryside Code in this
interactive adventure.

Giant games

Every day 21 July-31 August

Try your hand at some of
our larger-than-life-sized
games in Apple Orchard.
Challenge your friends to
games of skittles, jenga,
connect 4, noughts and
crosses and more...

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Call 01372 452048

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EVENT TO COMMEMORATE THE END OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR

SUNDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 10AM-1.30PM



A day in Bourne Hall Park in gratitude for those who fought in the First World War

In the morning Bourne Hall Museum will be using re-enactors to give some idea of what life was like for the men at the front including a cook with his working stove, Padre, officer and troops with a Vickers Machine Gun! There will be displays and talks on feeding the troops, gas training, infantry weapons and machine-gunning. There will also be a field hospital manned by four nurse's. FREE. The displays will remain while the concert is on.

From 2pm to 4pm a Thank You Concert and Picnic organised by the British Legion, with performers including Otlands Pipe Band, Ewell Castle School Choir, Epsom and Ewell Male Voice Choir and the singer Sandra Gaye. The concert will climax in a sing-song of the greatest hits of the time.

Bring your picnic and join in with a big thank-you to the men and women who served in the Great War. There will be a stalls selling refreshments.

Entrance £2 donation includes programme and flag.

Further information available from David Brooks,
Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey, KT17 1UF.
Tel 020 8394 1734. Email dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk

Do you have relations who lived in Epsom and Ewell and served in the Great War?
We would like to hear from you – your family stories could form part of the day.



CAVE PAINTING

Wednesday 29 August and Thursday 30 August
11am-to 12.00 pm & 2.00pm-to 3.00pm

In the deep time of prehistory early men crawled down into the darkest caves and used light from primitive candles to paint pictures of themselves and the animals they hunted.

They left behind a vivid record of their way of life and some clues of what they believed in. Discover how and why these paintings were created.

Then by flickering light try to create your own cave painting in our very own 'caves'.

Cost £5 per child. Two identical sessions will be run, please book to reserve your place; maximum 16 children.

Contact: David Brooks, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey, KT17 1UF. Tel 020 8394 1734.

Email dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk

<http://www.epsomandewellhistoryexplorer.org.uk/BourneHallMuseumClub.html>



STONELEIGH ATHLETIC FC

U11s FOOTBALL TEAM

CURRENT YEAR 5s

WANTED

We are looking for extra players for our Under 11's Stoneleigh football team!

If your son/daughter is currently in Year 5 and wishes to try out football for the first time or wants to play for a new club next season, then give us a call to find out more.

We welcome players of all abilities.

Training sessions and home matches are held at
Auriol Park, Salisbury Road, KT4 7DE

**For further details call
Martin – 07773 817 904**