Facilities at Stantonbury International School

Stantonbury International School is built on a greenfield site of over 200 hectares and students cannot help but be impressed by our specialist facilities and the opportunities offered by our professional theatre, sports centre and athletics stadium.

Our specialist facilities

These are designed to help the students feel at home in a large and diverse school:

- Separate faculty teaching areas for English, Maths, Science, Art and Design, Technology, Modern Foreign Languages and Humanities.
- Dedicated Year Group bases
- Music Centre: featuring a recording and editing suite.
- SEND and Inclusion: The Learning Curve support area
- Welcome Centre: to support EAL students and students joining the school mid-year.
- The Wellbeing Centre: offering one-to-one tuition and counselling services. (See overleaf for more information)
- Outstanding sports facilities including athletics stadium, swimming pool, artificial grass pitch, tennis and badminton courts, gym and playing fields for outdoor sports. (See overleaf for more information)
- Professional Theatre offering students opportunities to showcase their talent and experience world-class performances (See overleaf for more information)
- Library (See overleaf for more information)
- Sixth form Centre: dedicated area with its own facilities, conference room and study areas.
- Several ICT suites.

We are delighted to have secured a substantial government grant to develop exciting new facilities for STEM provision (Science, Technology, Engineering and mathematics), to be by 2020 and we are active participants in the Stantonbury Parish Neighbourhood Plan.
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Stantonbury Sports Centre
Stantonbury International School offers magnificent indoor and outdoor sporting opportunities.

Outside areas include an artificial grass pitch, outdoor fields and tennis courts. We also have an athletics stadium with full track and field facilities – high jump, long jump, javelin, discus and hammer throw areas. These are also home to Marshall Milton Keynes Athletics Club – the former home club of Olympian Greg Rutherford.

Indoor areas include a six court badminton sports hall which can be used for any team games and a separate badminton hall and a 25 metre swimming pool with a dedicated learner area.

Open to the public
Our leisure facilities are also open to the public and we offer membership packages that include the use of the pool, fully equipped gym featuring resistance and cardio machines and free weights, group exercise classes and access to the indoor and outdoor sporting facilities. We also offer affordable swimming lessons and school holiday clubs for all children in the community.

For full details please see our Sports Centre website

Stantonbury Theatre
Our theatre was the first in Milton Keynes and offers huge enrichment opportunities to our students who are able to showcase their impressive range of talents in our large scale musicals, music concerts, drama productions, dance shows and professional pantomime.

Supported by the Trust’s Director of Performance, the theatre is also a key public arts venue in Milton Keynes, programming world class theatre and dance productions, the majority of which students can access free of charge.

Increasingly students have the opportunity to take part in professional productions in their own theatre, including the annual Stantonbury pantomime produced in association with Greenwich Theatre.

Other opportunities for students include technical theatre training and, for Sixth Formers, the chance to be employed as theatre ushers.

Parent Friends of Stantonbury Theatre
We have introduced a Parent Friends Group for the theatre, open to all parents and carers of students at Stantonbury International School. Membership is free and benefits include first sight of our programmes and shows, so you can book your favourite seats in advance. It also allows access to our professional shows when they are available.

Full details are available on the Theatre website

Library
The Stantonbury International School Library is located at the heart of the school in the main building. The library offers a supportive learning environment where students come to study, learn and read for pleasure. Students may use the library before school, at break and at lunchtimes. The library is also open after school for homework or reading activities.
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Library opening times
Open until 5pm Monday-Thursday

What the library offers
- Help for you to find the right resources, borrow, reserve, renew and return items.
- Fiction & Non-Fiction books for all levels and interests.
- Reference books including encyclopedias and dictionaries
- A Daily newspaper, a junior newspaper, a selection of magazines.
- An open access catalogue PC.
- Post 16 textbooks, issued for the duration of the course.
- IT access in the silent study area: 15 computers available for homework and school related research.
- Meeting Pod with television and whiteboard (available for Year 11, 12 and 13 students only).
- A variety of comfy seating to relax and read in.
- The Careers Office can be found in the Library offering information about further education and careers.

School Librarian: Julie Line

The Wellbeing Centre

The Wellbeing Centre provides a number of additional support services
Open from 8am – 5:30pm Monday to Friday and during school holidays.

Support for 100% Achievement
Stantonbury International School has high aspirations for all its students to achieve age-related expectations at key stage 3 and key stage 4. Staff adapt their teaching based on an understanding of what students can and can’t do so that individuals experience an appropriate level of challenge.

We recognise, however, that at different points in their life students may face barriers to learning which may prevent them from achieving their potential. This may be because of illness, poor self-esteem, mental health issues, or gaps in their prior learning.

To help students to overcome these barriers, Stantonbury International School employs dedicated support staff who specialise in counselling, health and wellbeing, careers and academic tutoring. Many of these are located in the Wellbeing Centre.

Services include
- One-to-one academic tutoring
- Wellbeing Advice Sessions for Parents – please make an appointment by calling 01908 32440
- Student counselling drop-in – Tuesdays 3.15pm – 4.15pm
- One to one confidential counselling sessions
- One to one academic tutoring
- Small group tutoring
- Self-esteem workshops
- ‘Smile’ project
- Anger management workshops
- Breakfast Club
- Lunch Club
- Compass Fortnightly drop-in for information and support for drugs and alcohol
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- Mentoring Programme
- Ride High Schools Programme
- Counselling Companion – Max the dog
- Brook sexual health drop-in – Tuesdays 3.15pm – 4.15pm
- Links to alternative services if specialist support is required (services include CAMHS, Child Bereavement UK, Service Six and Q Alliance)
- Confidential email service – reachout@stantonbury.org.uk
- Parents ‘Just what we need’ programme – to help parents recognise their own skills and strengths with parenting.

The Wellbeing Centre Contact details
Telephone: 01908 324408
Jan Ferris – Wellbeing Centre Manager