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Welcome to the First Stop 2024 Winter

Newsletter. In this edition, we're excited to share the latest updates and achievements that have shaped the past few months. From new initiatives to exciting upcoming events, we hope you enjoy this glimpse into what's going on at First Stop HQ. As always a huge thank you for being a part of our community and here's to a fabulous 2025.



Christmas Jumper Day 2024 is Save the Children's annual fundraising event, dedicated to raising money for children in need. Thank you to our official FS photographer Nancy Taylor for organising this lot for a picture in their festive attire. Everyone has their eyes open and the dogs are behaving- I am impressed. Donations have been made to Save the Children. Which jumper is your favorite?



Every year we choose a local charity to make a Christmas donation to.

For 2024 we have chosen the **Minstead Trust**, who focus on removing barriers for people with learning disabilities and autism.

The support of the Minstead Trust enables people with learning disabilities to achieve greater independence and make informed choices for happier and healthier lives.

I'm sure you can agree this years donation is going to a marvelous and deserving charity.



Boys on Tour. Thank you to Matt and Chris who have been organising the installs of Evans e:dose into all the HCC Care sites. That's a lot of run throughs of their Britney Spears CD when travelling. Evans e:dose are a streamlined range of products suitable for all tasks. A chemical dosing system with many benefits including increased productivity, improved health and safety and a reduction of packaging waste. Installations are FOC to FS customers and we offer, on site and COSHH training as part of our service



Please be advised of the First Stop delivery schedule over the festive season.

The last day for ordering to guarantee a pre-Christmas delivery will be Friday 13th December. Delivery schedules will be as normal up until Monday 23rd of December.

Between Christmas and New Year, we will be checking emails and voicemail. If you require a delivery, please don't hesitate to contact us, and we will respond as soon as possible.

We will return to a normal delivery schedule from Thursday 2nd January.



Chris turned into Brian from Cocktail for our customer visit from Hot Rocks in Bournemouth and the FS team were chief tasters - non alcoholic of course. 10/10 Chris. Hot Rocks is a great location for any celebration- with delicious pizzas and of course cocktails to enjoy.

Please contact us to book a show room appointment to discuss your requirements and ideas. We have a vast selection of crockery, glassware and presentation pieces on show with many more options available. 01202 827666 or email sales@firststopsupplies.co.uk



One of our new customers is Bournemouth Oceanarium where Chris went to fit **Evans e:dose dispensers. A cost effective and plastic saving option-contact the office for more information on the e:dose range.** While there Chris was allowed to help out with feeding the penguins. I think Dragon took a liking to him- it must have been the FS jumper.

If you are in Bournemouth the Oceanarium is a great family day out whatever the weather. Remember to give the penguins a wave from us.

## LOCAL PRODUCE TRADE SHOW 2025





Proud to be sponsors of the Local Produce Trade Show 2025 and we look forward to seeing many of you there.

SHOWCASING LOCAL PRODUCERS ACROSS THE CENTRAL SOUTH

11TH FEBRUARY 2025 09:00-14:00 HILTON SOUTHAMPTON - UTILITA BOWL



The best of local food and drink from the South will once again take centre stage at the **Local Produce Trade Show**. Established over 16 years ago, this premier event brings together high-quality local producers and influential catering and hospitality buyers. It serves as a platform to support local and rural economies while strengthening food and drink supply chains. With over 60 local producers set to exhibit, the event continues to be a highlight for the region. We cannot wait to see you there- register now and get a free goody bag on the day.

**New for 2025:** The introduction of the Central South Local Produce Trade Show Awards.



**BCHA** are a charitable housing association supporting individuals and families across the South West and South of England. Every year we donate advent calendars to spread a little bit of festive cheer.

**BCHA** have a 2024 Festive Appeal ensuring no one goes without a meal or gift this season. If you are interested to learn more please check out their website www.bcha.org.uk

We hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year





