

THE STANBOROUGH TIMES

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Message from the Headteacher – Mrs John

Firstly, I would like to welcome everyone back after the summer break. Congratulations to all our GCSE and A Level students who achieved an amazing set of results this year. We wish them all the very best in the next stage of their education. On Friday 3rd September we enjoyed meeting our new Year 7 students and our students returning to school into our 6th Form to Year 12. I must comment how well they have all settled in to their new surroundings. During the holiday we have been busy decorating and improving facilities around the school. As well as open mornings running from 4th -22nd October we also have our open evening which takes place on Thursday 30th September. We hope to see many of you then, as well as prospective parents, to show you the improvements that have taken place. If you would like to attend an open morning please contact the school to reserve your place.

It is very special to have the school in action and busy again after the lockdowns of last year. We have much to be excited about this year and I look forward to working closely with all students and their families so we can continue our success for all students.



Headteacher's Commendations

T Burgess, (Yr. 7) Creating the winning design for the Summer Literacy Competition;

T Ahir, (Yr. 8) Coming into school during the Summer Holiday to help with an Induction Day;

Z Printer, (Yr. 9) Coming into school during the Summer Holiday to help with an Induction Day;

M Chisholm, M Hirani, S Curry (Yr. 10) An outstanding Leaf Model Design in Science;

M Chisholm, (Yr.10) Competing in the UK National Athletics Championships U15 boys 300m race;

B Thornton (Yr.10) Volunteering at the Library for the Summer Reading Challenge;

E Powell (Yr.10) Amazing effort and commitment for the Charity Day at the end of term;

L Grenfell, (Yr. 11) Competing in the UK National Athletics Championship U17 girls 800m race;

C Green, (Yr. 12) An excellent music performance for the end of year assembly;

L Wells, J Hadley, E Withers, M Robbins (Yr.12) Amazing support at Summer School 2021;

A Dunstan, F Humphries, V More, E Summers (Yr. 13) An excellent music performance for the end of year assembly;

I Wilkins, L Ross. O Warner, E McDonald, A Keane, E Weller, G Beaumont, E McDonald, A Ashley (Yr.13) Amazing support at Summer School 2021;

A Dunstan, (Yr.13) Winning third place in the prestigious Thomas Hardy Competition;

L Ross, (Yr.13) Entering the Spirit of Normandy Trust's 2021 Young Historian Project.



Quote of the week:

“Believe in yourself and you can achieve greatness in your life.” Judy Blume

Wish you a restful weekend.

Mrs John



Headteacher Commendations

Congratulations to all the students who
received an award this week



Forthcoming Events

13th – 17th September
Week two

13 th – 15 th	Year 7 CATs and Lucid Tests
20 th	Year 11 Geography Field Trip Year 7 CATs and Lucid Tests Catch Up
21 st	Year 11 Geography Field Trip
22 nd	School Photographs Year 9 and Year 11 Information Evening (pre-recorded event)
23 rd	Year 12 Information Evening (pre-recorded event)



Open Evening 2021

30th September from 5:30 - 8:30pm
The Headteacher talks will take place at 6pm, 6.45pm and 7.30pm



**Open Mornings will run - Monday 4th October to Friday 22nd October
(Excluding Friday 8th October)
Between 9:10am - 10:45am each day
Headteacher Talk and Question and Answer Session at 9:20am
Tour of the school at 10:00am**

To book an appointment, please email: openmorning@stanborough.herts.sch.uk
or see the main school website for more details. This is all subject to Covid restrictions.

High Expectations | Mutual Respect | Quality Learning | Success for All

Welcome to Stanborough

We are pleased to welcome

Mrs Vickers, HLTA- SEMH;

Mrs Parr, MFL Teacher;

Mrs Baily-Gaskin, EAL Teacher;

Ms Evans-Harriott, TA

Mrs Saunders, LRC Lunchtime Supervisor.

We hope that they will enjoy working at the school and with your children.

Death of former Stanborough Headteacher – David Hitchin

Mr Braybrook, Deputy Headteacher, writes:

We are saddened to hear of the passing of former Stanborough School Headteacher, David Hitchin, who died on 6th July at the age of 85.

Mr Hitchin was Headteacher at Stanborough for 25 years between 1971 and 1996. He was very proud of Stanborough School and the many generations of students (including his own two children) who passed through its doors during this time. Mr Hitchin held a deeply held conviction that every pupil deserved serious attention, respect and encouragement. We are proud to up-hold these ambitions for our current students.

Mr Hitchin visited the school a number of times after his retirement. As a school, we can also thank Mr Hitchin for his efforts to get the current Art, Design and Technology block built, as he was instrumental in making this happen.

Our thoughts go out to his family.

Student Self-Testing – Autumn Term

Mr Braybrook, Deputy Headteacher, writes:

Students have all been given new self-testing kits this week. If you need any extra tests please see Mr Braybrook or go to the main school office. Can I also ask that you read the instructions provided with the kits as these can vary with different batches of tests.

We are asking that students test on a Sunday and a Wednesday, the same as last term. If you register a positive test result, please let the school know and book a PCR test immediately to confirm the result. We would advise that all results are registered via the NHS website.

At the moment, the government has provided self-tests for the first part of the Autumn term, when we hear more information about the future of self-testing I will let you know.

If you have any questions regarding the above information, please do not hesitate to contact me at tbraybrook@stanborough.herts.sch.uk

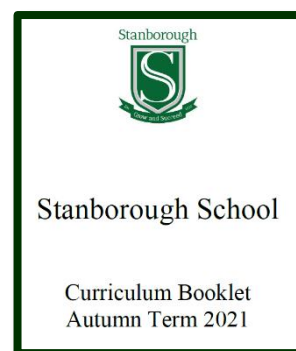
Curriculum Booklets Year 7 and Year 8

Curriculum booklets for the autumn term are available for Year 7 and Year 8 students. The booklets have been emailed home to parents earlier this week and are available to view on the school website on the year group page under the heading 'School Life'. A link is below.

These booklets contain information about the curriculum in Years 7 and 8 for the coming term and includes a section on 'what parents can do to help'.

<https://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/students/year-7/>

<https://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/students/year-8/>



Summer School 2021

Mrs Daplyn, Assistant Headteacher, writes:

While many of us were enjoying the last full week of the summer holidays, 40 Year 7 and 8 students took part in our first summer school. They took part in an escape room, made pancakes, created their own robots and did a lot of sport! Students were put in small mixed groups to help the new Year 7s gain in confidence. On the Monday they also did a treasure hunt around school to help them get to know the school building. Students also took part in a tournament on the Wednesday afternoon.



We were lucky to have amazing weather all week which meant students could take part in activities and enjoy their break time outside. It was strange to have so few students on site, but lovely to really get to know some of our new and existing students. The week ended with an awards ceremony on the Friday attended by many parents.



'I enjoyed summer school because we did a vast range of different activities such as baking French pancakes with Madame Bresson and mini bot making with Mr Howard. It was really fun because I got to help all the new Year 7s when they were not sure and we made lots of new friends. I met a lot of new teachers who have helped me find new things I enjoy such as creative writing and building dens.'

Kacie-May Coulson, 8K

Young Writer Competition

Mrs Maddi Brittain, Learning Support Teacher, writes:

During the lockdown in the spring term, six of our students entered a writing competition run by Young Writers. They were tasked with writing a saga, of less than 100 words, with the title "Unsolved". Every word had to count to compose such a short story which had to include a beginning, middle and ending with a twist. It was challenging but the results were imaginative and original. We were delighted to hear that, from over 20,000 entries, all of our students were selected to be published in a collection of works. This was an amazing achievement and we are incredibly proud of our budding authors. Being the youngest in the age category, we did not claim the prize money of £100 this time, but there are regular competitions which can be entered for 11-18 year olds so why not have a try in the next competition. See details at www.youngwriters.co.uk.

Well done to: Courtney Lawrence, Maddison Moss, Tommy Pawlik, Darcie Shipton, Joshua Williams and Matthew Wilson.



Young Carers of Stanborough

Mrs Richardson, Student and Family Support Worker, writes:

Do you help care for someone who is ill or disabled?

If you answer yes then please come along and join our young carers groups

All Years 7-11

Monday G4

Lunch time

If you feel you would like to talk or get some support with juggling your own personal life as well as school, homework and a social life then please come along to see us in G4.

If you would like to speak to me, Karen Richardson, my room is opposite G4. I am free after school so please pop in.



A full listing of all our clubs and activities will be available next week

DRAMA AT STANBOROUGH
DRAMA CLUB

DO YOU LOVE PERFORMING?

Drama at Stanborough will have a drama club this half term looking at monologues, duologues and group performances.

WHERE **MD1**
WHEN **Wednesdays**
3pm-4pm

SPEAK TO MISS ERACLEOUS IN MD1 FOR MORE INFORMATION

Books for Schools

Ms Wilson, Librarian, writes:

One of the biggest campaigns in the history of the WHT is offering their readers the chance to win hundreds of pounds worth of books for local schools.

Books for Schools is running in the Welwyn & Hatfield Times for 20 weeks.

All we have to do to take part is collect the special tokens published weekly in the WHT.

The school that collects the most tokens in ratio to the number of students will win £1,000 worth of books. Second and third place will receive £500 worth of books, and every other school will receive books worth £50 - so everyone really is a winner.

We would like Stanborough to win!

The box for the tokens is located in the School Library.

Thank you for your support.



Stanborough School Library Opening Times

Monday All year Groups	Open 8am	Break & Lunch	After school 3-4pm
Tuesday All year Groups	Open 8am	Break & Lunch	After school 3-4pm
Wednesday All year Groups	Open 8am	Break & Lunch	After school 3-4pm
Thursday All year Groups	Open 8am	Break & Lunch	After school 3-4pm
Friday All year Groups	Open 8am	Break & Lunch	After school 3-3.30pm



INCLUSION

What is Inclusion?

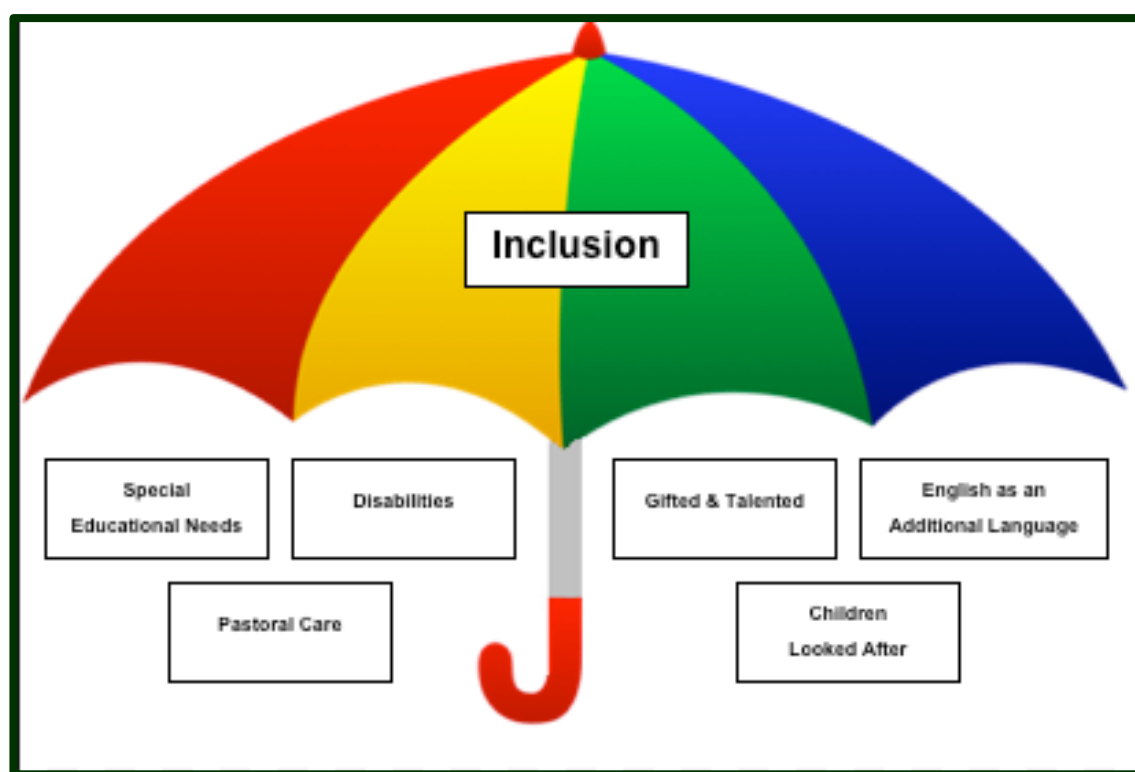
Inclusion is about looking at the needs of each individual and making sure that what is going on inside the school is meeting the needs of all learners no matter what their needs or backgrounds.

Inclusion takes account of diversity in our student population.

Inclusion is about everyone feeling valued and having their voice heard.

Inclusion attempts to identify and overcome barriers to learning.

CORNER



Welcome to year 7 parents and our Inclusion corner:

At Stanborough we have a large and diverse team of people working towards meeting the needs of all our students. An Inclusion Manager, a SENDCO, Teaching Assistants, two Student and Family Support Workers, School Family Workers, a school counsellor, a SEND teacher, a CLA lead, Safeguarding Leads, and a large pastoral team of year leaders and deputy year leaders all overseen by the SLT are all working together to make your child's time at Stanborough as happy as possible.

Welwyn Garden City Schools Partnership



 <h2>Autumn Term events for Parents & Carers</h2>		
13th Sept 9.30-12.00 Behaviour For Parents of Primary aged Children Held via Zoom	21st Sept- 12th October 12.30-2.30 (Tues only) 4 Week Anxiety in Children Held via Zoom	30th Sept - 25th Nov 9.30-11.30(Thurs only) 8 Week Who's in Charge Venue TBC
4th & 11th Oct 9.30-11.30 Behaviour For Parents of Secondary aged Children Held via Zoom	14th & 21st Oct 7.30-9pm Beginning the journey into SEN Held via zoom	10th Nov - 1st Dec 9.30-11.30am (Weds only) 4 Week Anxiety in Children Held via Zoom
23rd Nov 12.15-2.45pm Behaviour For Parents of Primary aged Children Held via Zoom	30th Nov & 7th Dec 12.30-2.30pm Behaviour For Parents of Secondary aged Children Held via Zoom	14th Dec 9.30-12.30 Beginning the journey into SEN Held via zoom

To book on any of these workshops please use the link or QR code below to register:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=7dQcDe8MAkOFBbqT5pKWbJTJkhId_TBIno7EQukG0v5UQzJZQk5CWEM4UDRJQTIUTTFFKQjNQNlpWNC4u



September Workshops

UNDERSTANDING ANXIETY IN CHILDREN

Free 4 week course for parents


- What is anxiety and what might it look like?
- What does it feel like and what might cause it?
- How can we help our children to manage it?

The course will be run by School Family Workers with the WGC & Hatfield Schools Partnership who have a wealth of experience of working with families.

Places are limited. To secure your place please use the booking link on our calendar of events above.

We look forward to seeing you!

Dates: Tues 21st Sept – Tues 12th October 2021 (Tuesdays only)
Time: 12.30-2.30pm
Where: Zoom on-line workshop



New for Autumn 2021

Who's In Charge?

A 9 week Child to parent violence (CPV) programme aimed at parents whose children are being abusive or violent towards them or who appear to be out of parental control.

The structure of the programme consists of 8 x 2.5hour sessions with a 2 month follow up session

COURSE Dates

- Thursdays - 9.30-11.30am
- 30th Sept-25th Nov
- (except 28th October)

Venue TBC but will be in Welwyn Hatfield

FREE Cost

Please see our calendar of events flyer above for the booking link



ONLINE BEHAVIOUR WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS/CARERS.

WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS/CARERS OF CHILDREN AGES 4 - 11.

- UNDERSTANDING BEHAVIOUR EXPLORING THE 'NEEDS FOUNTAIN', ANGER AND POSITIVE RESPONSES.
- LABELLING, POWER STRUGGLES AND BOUNDARIES.
- IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNICATION, COMPROMISE AND PRAISE.
- CHOICES, CONSEQUENCES AND HOW TO MANAGE MISTAKES.

BECOMING THE PARENT YOUR CHILD NEEDS TO THRIVE.

DATE: Monday 13th Sept. 2021
TIME: 9:30am - 12noon

WORKSHOP TAKES PLACE VIA ZOOM.

To book a place, please see details on the calendar of events.

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We have a variety of classes for children aged 3 plus and all new students get a free trial!
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TUESDAYS – ESSENDON VILLAGE HALL

2:00-2:45PM	TT TINES – FOR 3 YEAR OLDS	£7
3:30-5:00PM	TT MINIS – FOR 4-5 YEAR OLDS	£12

SATURDAYS – STANBOROUGH SCHOOL

9:00-10:30, 10:30-12:00, 1:00-2:30PM	TT MINIS – FOR 4 -5 YEAR OLDS	£12
12:00-12:45 PM	TT TINIES –FOR 3 YEAR OLDS	£7
9:15-12:15, 12:45-3:45PM	TT MAIN SCHOOL – FOR 6-18 YEAR OLDS	£20

Please contact with any questions and to book
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