

Message from the Headteacher – Mrs John

As a school, we recently volunteered to take part in a research project that the Department for Education has asked Ofsted to carry out in around 50 schools. This involved an independent review of teacher professional development to consider the overall quality of training and development teachers are typically receiving across the sector. This week we welcomed Dr Al Mistrano, HMI Lead for teacher development, research and evaluation to Stanborough. During his visit, he carried out interviews and focus groups with myself, teaching staff and senior leaders. Following his visit, Dr Mistrano sent us this very positive message: *“Thank you for such an amazing day at your school. You and your colleagues provided so much for us to think about regarding the next steps in the project and teacher development as a whole. Thanks, as well, for the warmth that you showed us. The school’s values showed through in all that you and your colleagues did for us in preparation and during our visit today. Finally, thanks for sharing your school with me. It was great fun learning about the achievements of you, your colleagues and pupils. A personal (non-inspection) reflection I had on leaving the school was that inspiration was truly bursting. Thank you.”*

Headteacher’s Commendations

- E Abajue, (Yr. 7)** for an amazing start to Stanborough;
- B Coleman, (Yr.7)** for an excellent attitude to learning in all subjects;
- E Martin, (Yr.7)** for excellent achievements in sports both within school and outside of school;
- M Memishaj (Yr.7)** for an excellent attitude to learning, particularly in Science;
- B Baffour (Yr.7)** for consistent hard work in all lessons and going above and beyond to help her peers;
- T Digby (Yr.7)** for consistent hard work and excellent attitude to learning in all lessons;
- Z Millar, (Yr. 8)** for consistently solving the maths question in the Stanborough Times every week;
- D Alexandru, (Yr.8)** for outstanding achievements with the Hatfield Town FC under 14 Girls team;
- S Hale, (Yr.8)** for creating an amazing rainforest model in Geography;
- L Ramdani, (Yr.8)** for incredible effort for the ‘Afternoon Tea’ half term challenge;
- C Alexandru and L Holbourns, (Yr. 9)** for outstanding achievements with the Hatfield Town FC under 14 Girls team;
- O Storey, (Yr.9)** for consistently high-level behaviour and effort in English lessons;
- D Florea and A Michael (Yr.9)** for continued excellent Business test results;
- F Ojo, (Yr.9)** for most improved Business grade in her recent end of topic test;
- M Hirani, (Yr. 10)** for being an excellent role model for all students;
- M Mikulin, (Yr. 11)** for outstanding resilience and dedication to mock exam preparation and participation;
- E Joyce, (Yr. 12)** for consistently amazing effort and achievements in Psychology lessons;
- E Summers, (Yr. 13)** for representing the school in the Herts Youth Council.



Quote of the week:

“I am learning every day to allow the space between where I am and where I want to be to inspire me and not terrify me. Tracee Ellis Ross.

Wish you a restful weekend.
Mrs John

Headteacher Commendations

Well done to the amazing Stanborough students for giving their very best, being resilient and for their positive mindset. Well done to all the students who secured the Head Teacher's commendation award this week.



Forthcoming Events

7th – 11th March

Week one

7 th – 11 th March	The Great Stanborough Spelling Bee Competition
7 th March	Year 7 County Team Maths Challenge
8 th March	Year 11 Tempest Group Photo Year 11 Apprenticeship visit to PayPoint Year 6 into 7 Welcome Evening, 6pm International Women's Day
11 th March	Dance Production at Sandpit Theatre, St Albans, 7.30pm

Stanborough School Dance Production

Friday 11th March, 7.30pm

Tickets are now available for this year's school dance production.

Please note the performance is being held at The Sandpit Theatre, St Albans. Tickets can be purchased from their box office.

See the flyer for details!

International Women's Day, Tuesday 8th March

Wear It Purple Day, Tuesday March 8th.

The staff and students of Stanborough School will be celebrating International Women's Day by wearing a purple accessory.

Show your support by wearing a purple tie, pin, ribbon or headband!



Stanborough
School

Dance
Production

Friday 11th March
7:30pm

Doors Open from 7pm

Ticket Price
£6 Adults/ £4 Concessions

Ticket Sales
Box Office- 01727 799565
Website -
www.sandpitttheatre.co.uk

The Sandpit Theatre, The Ridgeway, Sandringham School, St Albans, AL4 9NX

Farewell

Mrs Barlow, Assistant Bursar

Mrs Bolt, Bursar, writes:

Today we say farewell to Mrs Barlow, one of our Assistant Bursars, who is leaving us to spend more quality time with her family. Mrs Barlow has been with us for over three years and in that time her impact within the Finance Team has been immeasurable. She will be missed by staff and we all wish her much happiness in her next adventure.

World Book Day Competition

We're supporting world book day! So get your creativity flowing!

Students will have book token design sheets in their form folder to design their tokens – fill it with colour, leave nothing white!

Designs should be given to your art teacher by 25th March!

ON YOUR BOOKMARKS, GET SET, DRAW!

Design a National Book Token Competition 2022

It wouldn't be World Book Day without National Book Tokens' **DESIGN A BOOK TOKEN** competition, the annual nationwide contest which encourages children of all ages to share their creativity – and their love for books and reading – by designing their own fabulous gift cards!

The winning entrants, their schools and their teachers can bag **HUNDREDS of pounds worth of National Book Tokens** – just imagine all those beautiful new books for your school's bookshelves.

A panel of judges will select a winner and runner-up in each of three age categories: up to **8 years**, **9-12 years** and **13-16 years**.

FIRST PRIZE
in each age range wins:

- £250 National Book Tokens for the school
- £100 National Book Tokens for the pupil
- £100 National Book Tokens for the teacher

SECOND PRIZE
in each age range wins:

- £150 National Book Tokens for the school
- £50 National Book Tokens for the pupil
- £50 National Book Tokens for the teacher

ONE OVERALL WINNER
will win a £10/£10 National Book Token for every child in their class, featuring their winning design.

HOW TO ENTER:
Visit [worldbookday.com/competitions/design-a-national-book-token-competition-2022/](https://www.worldbookday.com/competitions/design-a-national-book-token-competition-2022/) for full details. Closing date for entries is Sunday 3rd April 2022.

Click this link for details,

<https://www.worldbookday.com/competition/design-a-national-book-token-competition-2022/>

Word of the Week

Week commencing 7th March

Utilise

For example, you could utilise your gift of kindness and help her.

Stanborough
Word of the Week
Utilise

French Spanish

utiliser utilizar

Origin DEFINE IT USE IT

From the old English adjective "utile" meaning useful

To make good and effective use of something

You could utilise your gift of kindness and help her.

Grow and Succeed
High Expectations | Mutual Respect | Quality Learning | Success for All

Year 10 History at Stanborough

Working with “real” historical documents alone, Interactive session with the National Archives in Kew

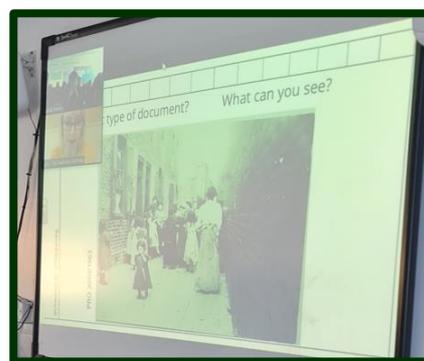
Mrs Stamp, Co Subject Leader History, EPQ and Careers, writes:

On Tuesday 22nd February, some Year 10 historians enjoyed a live interactive online session with the National Archives in Kew for them to introduce the Whitechapel unit. This lesson was designed to support our Year 10s in their historical environment study on Whitechapel for our Crime and Punishment course.

The key skills being developed by the historic environment study is for students to experience “real” work of historians who analyse original documents rather than rely on interpretations given in text books.

This workshop was delivered by an education officer from the National Archives who is familiar with the exam board’s requirements for this unit. Students were given the opportunity to explore high quality digital images of original documents with the specialist guidance of the education officer.

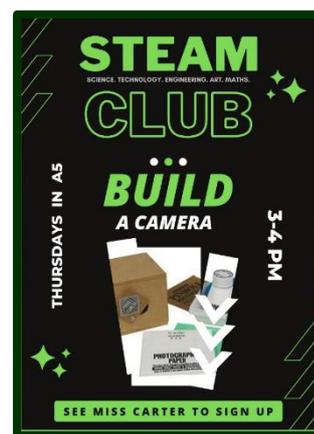
All history teachers observed this session to ensure these documents are used in our own Year 10 teaching. It was a fantastic introduction to working with original documents and also a look at what Whitechapel was like in the late 19th century.



Art, Design & Technology Showcase!

Clubs and Activities:

- Art Club, Tuesday in A1 at lunchtime
- Year 7 D&T club, Wednesday & Thursday in A4
- Year 8 D&T club, Monday in A4, 3-4pm
- Year 8 D&T/Food club, Tuesday in A4
- STEAM club, Thursday in A5, 3-4pm
- Art Catch-up, Year 10/11 Tuesday in A6, 3-4pm
Year 9/11, Thursday in A1, 3-4pm



Faculty Awards:

Congratulations to our latest faculty award winners, keep up the good work!

ADT Newsletters:

Fortnightly ADT newsletters can be found on our school website, <https://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/portfolio-item/art-design-technology/>

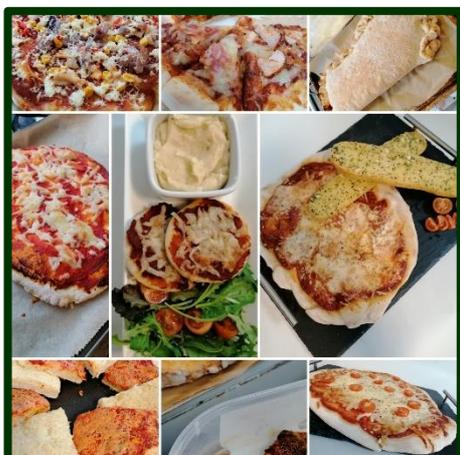
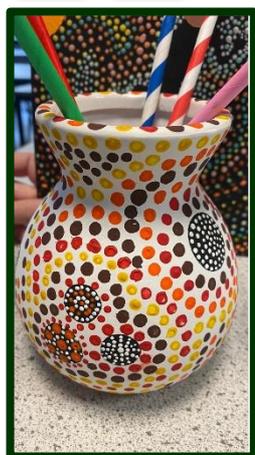


Student's Work:

Celebrating the creative success and talent at Stanborough School! Here's just a small collection of students' recent work, well done everyone!



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Question of the Week

Mr Modi, Curriculum Leader: Mathematics writes,



SEND YOUR CORRECT ENTRY BY 09.03.22 TO EARN A GOLD AWARD

Choose one of the two Maths GCSE questions. Send your answers with workings by email to smodi@stanborough.herts.sch.uk or on a piece of paper to the Maths Office.

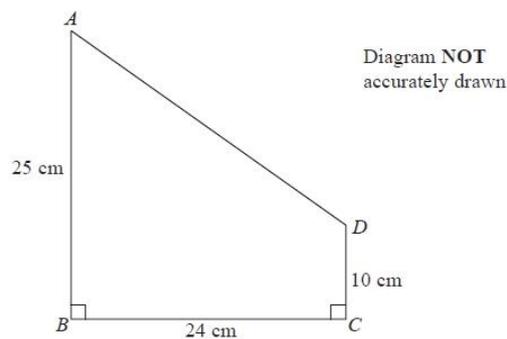
Question 1 (Prime Factors/HCF)

Write 792 as a product of its prime factors. Write your answer using index notation.
Show your working clearly.

Now work out the HCF of 792 and 1584.

Question 2 (Trigonometry)

$ABCD$ is a trapezium.



$$AB = 25 \text{ cm.}$$

$$BC = 24 \text{ cm.}$$

$$CD = 10 \text{ cm.}$$

$$\text{Angle } ABC = \text{angle } BCD = 90^\circ$$

Calculate the size of angle CDA . Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.

Kooth – Your Online Mental Wellbeing Community

Kooth's monthly information sessions for parents and carers offer information about the service and a chance to ask any questions.

The link for parents/carers to book the free webinar can be found here:



Tuesday 22 March 2022, 6pm-7pm

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/introduction-to-kooth-for-parents-and-carers-tickets-277457000357>

Please see below for important awareness days coming up this month.

28th February - 6th March	Eating Disorder Awareness Week
1st March	Self-injury Awareness Day
8th March	International Women's Day
18th March	World Sleep Day
31st March	Trans Visibility Day

These short videos explain more about how students can reach out to one of their team:

[Kooth Chat](#)

[Kooth Messaging](#)

Each month, [Kooth.com](https://www.kooth.com) has a range of events and discussions that young people can take part in. It's a safe space to voice their opinion and hear the opinions of others.

For any young people who are interested in finding out more about Kooth, they are hosting a couple of information, Q&A and sign up support sessions for young people living in London and the South East over the coming weeks.

The next session is on: **Thursday 10 March 2022, 6pm - 7pm**

Register here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/discover-kooth-young-peoples-information-session-tickets-225781246787?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

Whatever the concern or discussion topic, Kooth is here to help.

Fully trained and qualified counsellors and practitioners are available;

Monday - Friday 12 noon - 10pm and weekends 6pm - 10pm,

365 days a year.

