STANBOROUGH TIMES

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Message from the Headteacher - Mrs John

Today we held our annual ceremony to commemorate Remembrance Day. This is always a moving event and I would like to thank all the students and staff involved, particularly those who played the last post and reveille so splendidly. Looking forward to next week, we are all excited to see the House Dance competition next Wednesday. This is the first in several years and we are pleased to be able to open our doors to invite parents/carers and families to join us. Doors open at 4.45pm for a 5pm start, good luck to all the dancers involved. We look forward to seeing which House will win! A letter has been emailed to all Year 7 parents/carers earlier this week with information about the Year 7 Transition Update Evening on Tuesday 22nd November. Please save this date as the evening will cover some important topics regarding our pastoral system, teaching and learning, our marking policy, homework and help in understanding some of the data on your child's first progress update report. The Year 7 team and I look forward to welcoming you.

Headteacher's Commendations

M Tabany, (Yr. 7) for an outstanding attitude to learning and excellent progress made in Maths;

A Singh, (Yr.7) for reading a million words this term and becoming a millionaire reader;

J Knight, (Yr.7) for researching and creating a wonderful PowerPoint for Black History Month;

O Oyedare, (Yr.7) for researching and creating a wonderful hand-written summary for Black History Month;



S Satheeskumar, (Yr. 8) for reading a million words this term and becoming a millionaire reader;

E Ali, (Yr. 9) for being a great Stanborough role model;

F Griffiths, (Yr.9) for a fantastic start to Year 9 with over 600 positive points and no negatives;

A Bahzad and R Paulionka, (Yr. 10) for an outstanding start to Stanborough with superb attitude to learning;

L Watkins, (Yr. 11) for a fantastic achievement in Motor Racing and being invited to participate in a trial for Arden Motor Racing;

A Barrie, (Yr. 12) for outstanding support and professionalism as a History ambassador;

S Pennell, (Yr.12) for help and participation in the Post 16 Information evening;

M Mikulin, (Yr.12) for excellent commitment and work ethic in silent study;

B Alagoa, H Lee-Larke, M Mardel, J Hadley, C Steel and S Dunkley(Yr. 13) for agreeing to stay and participate in A-Level promotion at the 6th form presentation evening.

Quote of the week:

"Never abandon your dreams. You may regret it for the rest of your life." Fabiola Gianotti

Wish you a restful weekend. Mrs John

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Forthcoming Events

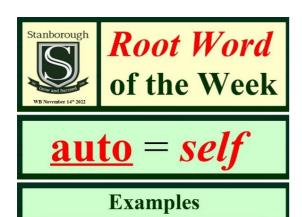
14th – 18th November 2022 Week two

15 th November	Year 8 HPV Vaccinations
16 th November	Year 13 English Language Conference, London Senior Maths Challenge House Dance, 5pm
18 th November	Post 16 Anti-Bullying Campaign
22 nd November	Year 7 Transition Update Evening
25 th November	Occasional Day, School Closed

Term Dates 2023/2024

Term dates for the next academic year, 2023/24, are now available on our website, https://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/term-dates/

Word of the Week W/c 14th November 2022



An <u>auto</u>matic car changes gears itself.

The story of my**self** is my **auto**biography.

STANBOROUGH AUTHOR VISIT



Guy Jones will be visiting Stanborough School on Tuesday the 29th of November. Guy will be encouraging our year 7 students to read for pleasure and inspire creative writing.



The Ice Garden: a beautiful tale of friendship, magic and the power of family Jones, Guy: Amazon.co.uk: Books.



If students would like to purchase a copy of the author's book from Amazon prior to the event, Guy will be signing books on the morning of the visit.

Lost Property

We have over 20 unnamed coats in lost property and lots of water bottles. Please ensure your child checks for any missing items as all lost property will be donated to charity on the last day of term.

Lost property is based in the Year 9-10 Leader's office with Miss Hague.

Amazon Wish List

Ms Wilson, LRC Manager, writes:

Last year we launched an Amazon Student Book Wish List, in response to the successful Accelerated Reader scheme. To enable all our students to enjoy

reading their favourite books we have created a list of the book titles they have asked to be available to read from our school library. Their wish list is available on Amazon and parents/carers can purchase a book from this list to be donated to our library.

If you would like to donate a book from this wish list, please follow this link, https://amzn.eu/3ubu6AY

This will direct you to our booklist where you can choose your donation, which will be sent directly to Stanborough School. Please ensure you choose 'School Library Book Wish List's Gift Registry Address' as the delivery address, this address will appear in their 'Other addresses' list.

Thank you in advance for your donation from the student's wish list.



Ms Wilson, LRC Manager, writes:

Do you have a few hours spare each week?

We are looking for volunteers to help in the LRC two afternoons or two mornings a week to help with library duties.

If you are interested in helping or would like to know more please contact me, nwilson@stanborough.herts.sch.uk

Thank you

HAPpy Holiday Camps

Mrs Daplyn, Assistant Headteacher, writes:

Hertfordshire County Council have joined forces with Herts Sports Partnership to organise action packed days over the Christmas holidays which include a free meal for eligible families. Activities will be running in different venues across the county for children and young people in receipt of benefits-related free school meals, and all include a nutritious meal each day.



Places are limited and strictly on a first come basis. Online bookings are available from Monday 21st November 2022 at https://www.sportinherts.org.uk/booking.

A letter has been emailed to all eligible families with the code.



amazon.co.uk

House Dance 2022

Mr Minion, House Coordinator, writes:

We would love to invite you to our House Dance competition for this year.

It takes place on Wednesday November 16th in the School Hall at 5pm. Doors open at 4.45pm. Please enter through the Site Manager's door to the right of main reception.

Each House will perform three dances around a central theme and then each Dance will be judged.

It is very exciting to have these events again after the last couple of years and we look forward to seeing you there.



Black History Month

Miss Cathy Davies, Literacy Co-ordinator, writes:

Stanborough community came together to celebrate Black History Month in style, with music, poetry, song and dance to revive us at the end of our busy term last month and celebrate with Kahoot! to welcome us into our new term.

Our incredible poets showcased their beautiful, empowering self-penned lines. Sabeena, 8B whose wonderful poem was beautifully presented by Benedicta, 8SM. Gabriella, 9B presented her fabulous acrostic poem, followed by Muna, 9K who came first in the recitation competition; then Elane, 8K who presented so well and Gabrielle, 9B whose poem won the competition. Very many congratulations to you all on such a wonderful day!



Thanks to head boy, Bomo Alagoa; staff Mr Torindo, Teacher Francis and Ms Nelson for supporting the sessions, too.

Students enjoyed taking part in Kahoot! on our first day back for a new term. Congratulations to Holly, 8H for winning the competition!





Stanborough on a Journey to Genetic Engineering!

Mrs Shah, Senior Science Technician, writes:

A unique opportunity has been presented to our A level Biology students through the University of Hertfordshire on the Amgen Biotech Experience. The ABE labs parallel some of the important steps that the pharmaceutical biotechnology industry uses to develop drugs to treat diseases. It's rare for a secondary school to have the chance to learn and practice the procedures and techniques that are the foundation for research and development. It is critical that that our students are knowledgeable about this field and so we begin a journey, courtesy of AMGEN, where our students will carry out the experiments that led to breakthroughs and gain hands-on experience of producing genetically modified bacteria.







Mrs Mabbs and Mrs Shah accepting the AMGEN kits kindly loaned to us by University of Hertfordshire.

Our first Lab led by Mr Fanning where some tools of the trade are introduced.

A micropipette is an important tool used in Genetic Engineering. This lab gives the students a chance to learn how to use the micropipette to transfer very small, exact volumes of reagents.

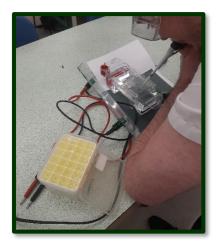






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The second part of this Lab was to use Gel Electrophoresis which is a technique used to separate a mixture of molecules including DNA.







Cloning a Gene!

Lab 2 led by Mrs Mabbs where students work with a red fluorescent protein made by the gene in a sea anemone. They are on their way to create a bacteria which will have this red fluorescent protein and will glow red when viewed on an agar plate!







Please follow us on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook to join us on this journey of Cloning a Gene!

Donations to support local families at Christmas

Mrs Cheryl Bodrozic, Lead Family Support Worker, writes:

The Welwyn Garden City and Hatfield Local Schools Partnership is raising funds to support local in need families to enjoy Christmas. All funds received will help purchase gifts and goodies for vulnerable children, young people and their families.

At the Welwyn Garden City and Hatfield Schools Partnership we are passionate and committed to the work we do with children, young people and their families.

We are a team of School Family Workers who support local families in the Welwyn Garden City and Hatfield area. We have been offering support in schools and the community for over 10 years.

We are aiming to raise £2,500 in time for Christmas, to ensure that none of our families are left out of the festivities due to the cost of living increase. We want every child and young person we work with to truly experience the



togetherness and support this season brings, and as such are asking for donations to this cause. With funds raised we will be able to ensure that each child or young person we work with gets a gift and some festive goodies, alongside our existing plans to celebrate this season with our families.

Please help us by making a donation.

If you have a moment, please take a look at our Christmas fundraising page, https://www.gofundme.com/f/wgc-and-hatfield-lsp-appeal?qid=1e6bc5a682f3676f6623b86a13ccf2aa

Wisepay contribution link:

https://www.wisepay.co.uk/store/generic/template.asp?ACT=nav&mID=509341

If you would like to know more about us and how we support families, please visit our website at https://wgc-hatfield-schoolspartnership.com/

We are also on Facebook, Welwyn Garden City and Hatfield Schools Partnership.

Thank you so much for your support.

Best Wishes, WGC and Hatfield LSP Team.

Question of the Week

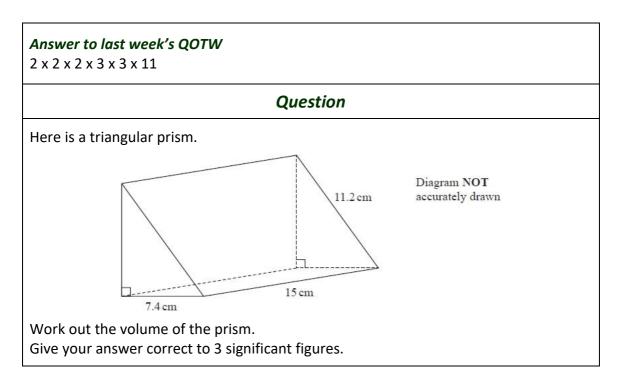
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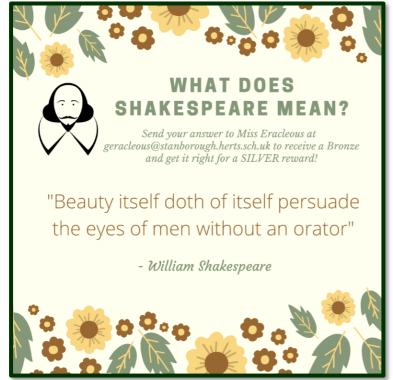
Mr Modi, Curriculum Leader: Mathematics, writes:



SEND YOUR CORRECT ENTRY BY 16.11.22 TO EARN A GOLD AWARD

Send your answer with workings by email to smodi@stanborough.herts.sch.uk or on a piece of paper to the Maths Office.





Question of the Week Drama

Send your answer to
Miss Eracleous to receive a
bronze award and get it right for a
silver award!

With Youth - Children & Young People's Digital Wellbeing Service

This open access With Youth service provides online support to children and young people experiencing mental ill health and/or emotional distress.

This is a countywide service available for any Hertfordshire resident aged 5-18, as well as parents and professionals.

The service helps children and young people to build resilience by working with them to problem solve and develop coping strategies, coming up with solutions that will enable them to improve their own health and wellbeing. They also provide advice and guidance to parents/families/carers and professionals to ensure a holistic response to supporting the individual and creating a network around them to empower and enable positive change.

https://www.withyouth.org/

