

Message from the Headteacher – Mrs John

This week we were treated to three wonderful performances of Bugsy Malone, this year's school production. Congratulations to all the students and staff involved to help make this such a success! A special mention goes to Miss Eracleous for organising and putting the shows together. The talent of our students is never in doubt and I praise them for their commitment and dedication in these extra-curricular performances. A reminder to all our Year 9 parents/carers and students that the Year 9 options evening takes place next Tuesday, 7th February. We hope you are able to attend this important information evening. The Year 13 parents evening also takes place next week on Wednesday 8th February. Appointments are taking place online from 4pm until 7pm. Wishing the very best to our Year 11 and Year 12 students during their mock exams and assessments over the next few weeks. I'm sure their hard work and dedication they put in towards these ensure they achieve the successful results they hope for in their summer exams.

Headteacher's Commendations

H McGee, (Yr. 7) Excellent contribution to the school community, keeping the school clean and tidy;

H Dunstan, (Yr.7) Reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader;

T Hammill Fenton, I Khan, K Kirby, Z Palin and E Mchugh, (Yr.7) Actively learning vocabulary on Memrise and scoring over 500,000 points;

E Abajue and K Vi, (Yr. 8) Reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader;

H Paterson, (Yr.8) Using excellent initiative and being so kind and helpful to classmates during food technology;

T Falegan, (Yr. 9) Representing Hertfordshire at the Sportshall East Regional Finals and being ranked third overall;

R Datta, (Yr.9) Actively learning vocabulary on Memrise and scoring over 500,000 points;

H Ottaway and K Sullivan, (Yr.9) Excellent support and kindness to a peer experiencing issues;

A Ansell, (Yr.10) Consistently good attitude to learning;

A Dawson and P King, (Yr. 11) Actively learning vocabulary on Memrise and scoring over 500,000 points;

M Tabany, (Yr.11) Going above and beyond as a science prefect and editing all science knowledge organisers.

D Obeng, (Yr. 12) Excellent commitment and hard work during silent study;

E Hudson, (Yr. 13) Excellent commitment and hard work during silent study.



Quote of the week:

"Survival can be summed up in three words – never give up. That's the heart of it really. Just keep trying." Bear Grylls

Wish you a restful weekend.

Mrs John

Headteacher Commendations



Break Time with the Headteacher

Congratulations to the students who secured the top Attitude to Learning (ATL) score in the first term. Well done for the outstanding work ethic.

Year 8



C Judge, D Antunes, E Hickey, E Abajue, M Hoss, T Settle, C McIntosh,
E Neill, I Swidrak, N Walsh

Year 9



P Wadley, A Ademiluyi, G Abajue, Z Millar, M Mbokolo, H Beverstock,
W Nazara, I Harrington, G Frimpong-Mansoh, F Macdonald, Y Savasci

Year 10



O Thornton, R Paulionka, Z Printer, O Kyriacou, J Strozewski, C Avery, L Iliso, J Shah,
R Whiteman, E Bond, J Carter

Year 11



R Loughnane, L Reding, P Stoli, S Jeffrey, O Krainska, O Preston, B Paddick,
D Harrington, P King, E Powell

Forthcoming Events

6th – 10th February 2023

Week 1

6 th – 23 rd	Year 11 Mock Exams
7 th	Year 9 Options Evening, 6pm
8 th	Year 13 Parents Evening, online
10 th	Year 12/13 Apprenticeship Workshop
13 th – 17 th	Half Term

Year 9 Options Evening Reminder!

Mr Green, Assistant Headteacher, writes;

Year 9 Options Evening is on Tuesday 7th February at 6pm.

Printed copies of the Options booklet have been given to students and an electronic copy has been emailed also. There is also a copy on our website as well as the link to submit choices. Students will soon receive their login details for this and we will begin to conduct guidance interviews with students next week.

Link to Year 9 section on website:

<https://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/students/year-9/>

Link to online option choices portal: <https://studentoptions.co/stanoptions/index.php>

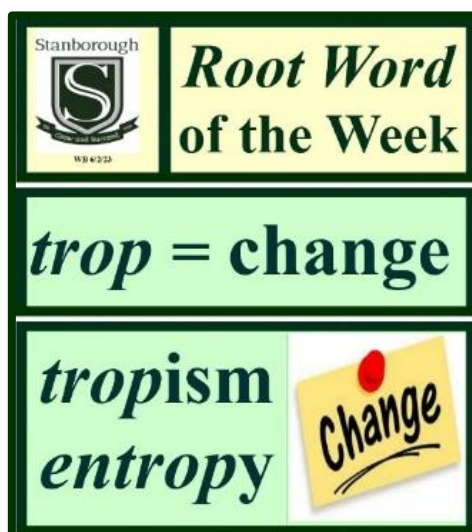
I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 7th February.



Word of the Week

W/c 6th February 2023

Trop = Change



It is with great sadness that we have been informed that Mr Sandiforth, former Head of Science, passed away over the weekend. He was an integral part of our school from the mid-1970s to 2008. He was also a great inspiration, and our former students and staff held much respect for him. Our thoughts are with his family at this sad time.



Wayfinder Trip to the University of Hertfordshire

Mrs Coldwell, STEM Leader: Mathematics, writes:

Wednesday the 18th of January was an exciting day in the life of Stanborough School for a number of reasons, but for the entire cohort of Year 12 students, it was even more exciting to get out of school and to start thinking about their futures. Here is what a few of them had to say about it:

"I really enjoyed the trip to the University of Hertfordshire. It enlightened me in a lot of different aspects of university. The student ambassadors were really helpful as they described in depth their courses and the type of experiences they had been experiencing throughout their first couple of years at university. There was a very interesting Q&A session conducted with the student ambassadors, which was very insightful as they gave some very useful information about their individual courses and how to structure your personal statements and CVs. All the staff were really involved in the event and did a great job in providing information for UCAS applications as they explained the multiple important deadlines that there are to submitting your university choices. There was also a very interesting tour of the university as they explained in detail the ins and outs of the university along with its many amazing features. Overall, it was a very enjoyable experience and I really recommend for future students!"

Aniket Singh, 12CPMMB

"It made me consider my options more carefully Post-6th Form and has motivated me to do more in depth research regarding university options. It also eased my concerns about student loans. Overall, I enjoyed my time at the university and am glad I went as it was informative, and definitely well-worth my time."

Lauren Sanders, 12RC

"Going on the trip, I only expected them to explain the minimum of universities such as what to expect with accommodation, social life and courses but they explained in depth. This visit will help me immensely in making my UCAS application as I feel more confident about applying for universities and apprenticeships."

Mikaela Sevillano, 12CPMMB

We are very grateful to the University of Hertfordshire for hosting us and to Mark O'Carroll for supporting the trip at relatively short notice.



MFL University of Oxford Flash Fiction Competition

Mrs Magee, Teacher of MFL, writes:

Write a short story in 100 words

Your story can be in French or Spanish and can be on anything you like!
The judges are looking for creativity in your ideas and use of language.

How to enter:

Submit your entry directly to Oxford University via their online form.
You will find the link for each language posted on Class Charts.



*£100 First prize
£20 Runner up prizes*

Enter by: 31st March 2023

If you print and submit your story to your languages teacher, you can also be entered into the Stanborough competition.

**Prizes will be awarded for the best story in each year group.
Put your name and year group on the back of your story.**

Careers

Year 11 Students! – are you interested in seeing what Oaklands College have to offer?

Oaklands College are running two open evenings. One at the Welwyn Garden City campus on Tuesday 7th February and one at the St Albans campus on Thursday 9th February.

See their website for details of each event and how to book your place.

www.oaklands.ac.uk

Book Your Place For Our February Open Evening Today!

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[Book your spot for our St Albans City Open Evening](#)

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OAKLANDS COLLEGE OPEN EVENINGS

WELWYN GARDEN CITY
TUES 7th FEB
5PM - 7PM

ST ALBANS
THURS 9th FEB
5PM - 7PM

BOOK NOW!

Question of the Week

Mathematics

Mr Modi, Curriculum Leader: Mathematics, writes:

SEND YOUR CORRECT ENTRY BY 08.02.23 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.



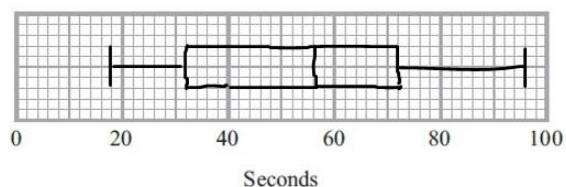
Answers to last week's QOTW

Question 1: 28 males buy Premium tickets

Question 2:

(a) 51.2

(b)



Question 1

The world speed record for a train is 360 mph.
It takes Malcolm 6 seconds to drive a train 1 kilometre.
Has the train broken the world speed record?
Use 5 miles = 8 km.

Question 2

Harry travels from Appleton to Brockley at an average speed of 50 mph.
He then travels from Brockley to Cantham at an average speed of 70 mph.
Harry takes a total time of 5 hours to travel from Appleton to Cantham.
The distance from Brockley to Cantham is 210 miles.
Calculate Harry's average speed for the total distance travelled from Appleton to Cantham.