

Message from the Headteacher – Mrs John

"A step away from Outstanding" We are delighted to have been rated 'Good' by Ofsted and we are particularly pleased that they have recognised the work we have carried out on the curriculum we offer, the behaviour of students and the support we offer to all our students to be successful. Inspectors delivered a glowing report and highlighted the fact that the leaders in the school had taken clear and effective action to ensure the school has improved since the last inspection in 2019. The inspectors noted that pupils behaved well and they know and understand what leaders expect of them. Pupils also know that staff will help if they have a worry or issue and that the pupils benefit from a range of effective support services to help them in school. Our incredible students and staff work so hard to make Stanborough an amazing place to be. We are also delighted to learn that we are oversubscribed for our September 2023 intake. I would like to thank all those parents who have chosen our school even before the news of this good grading. Your trust and faith as parents in the leadership of this school has been truly appreciated and I promise you that your children will get the very best quality of education and support. We now continue to ensure that we provide an outstanding education for our children and will make the necessary tweaks highlighted by Ofsted. This is an exciting time for our school. The full Ofsted report is available on our website, [please click here for our full Ofsted report](#).

Headteacher's Commendations

R Clayton, (Yr. 7) Reciting the Poem 'The Charge of the Light Brigade' perfectly in front of the class;

N Merrigan, R Fox and A Macdonald, (Yr.7) Reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader;

A Thomas and L Nelson, (Yr.7) Demonstrating an outstanding attitude to learning and resilience when faced with challenges;

B Baffour, (Yr. 8) Reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader;

G Abajue, (Yr. 9) Reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader;

H Parkins, M Flint and O Scott (Yr. 10) Outstanding involvement and support in the school production and in the role of Drama captain;

S Dinnage, (Yr. 11) Outstanding work within Cadets, supporting the younger cadets and being a fantastic role model;

E Clark, (Yr. 12) Amazing attitude to learning and dedication to studies in the Study Centre;

M Mardel, (Yr. 13) Excellent organization of the Year 9 meet the Sixth and Sixth Form prom.



Quote of the week:

"Just don't give up trying to do what you really want to do. Where there is love and inspiration, I don't think you can go wrong." Ella Fitzgerald

Wish you a restful weekend.

Mrs John



Headteacher Commendations



Break time with the Headteacher

Well done to the year 11 students who made the most positive progress in the year 11 Mock exams.
Well done. Mrs John.



Forthcoming Events

6th – 10th March

Week 2

6 th	House Competition – Great Stanborough Bake Off, 3-4.30pm
7 th	Year 11 Walking Talking Mocks
8 th	International Women's Day
9 th	Year 10 Parents' Evening, via video call

Year 6 into 7 Welcome Evening, Tuesday 14th March 5pm

Congratulations to all our families who have been allocated a place here at Stanborough for Year 7 in September 2023!

We are looking forward to meeting you at our welcome evening on Tuesday 14th March.

This evening is for parents and carers.



Year 6 into 7 Welcome to Stanborough Evening

Tuesday 14th March 2023, 5pm

Mrs John, Headteacher and Ms Johnson, Head of Year 7 2023 will outline the programme of support and the key points essential to your child's start in September.

We look forward to welcoming you !

Year 10 Parents' Evening

Thursday 9th March 2023, 3.30-6.30pm via video call

Year 10 parents' evening takes place next week, Thursday 9th March, 3.30-6.30pm. All appointments are via an online video call. Appointments can be made from now until midnight on Wednesday 8th March. Below is a link to the booking system, this can also be found on the letter emailed home and on our website under Useful Links, <https://stanborough.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

We hope all Year 10 parents/carers can participate in the evening as it is an ideal opportunity to discuss your child's progress with teachers.

If you have any queries please contact parentsevening@stanborough.herts.sch.uk



Stanborough School



Year 10 Parents Consultation Evening

Your chance to discuss your child's academic progress

Book your appointment today!

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

Teaching experience in Early Years

Mrs Hall, Subject Leader: Child Development

The Year 13 Childcare and Education class have spent four weeks of Tuesday lessons working in local primary schools in the Early Years Foundation Stage. The purpose was to support their learning of approaches to play and the impact of play for learning, wellbeing and holistic development on young children. The primary schools that offered the work experience were Letchmore Primary School, Oakview Primary School, Creswick Primary School and Green Lanes, and they were fantastic in giving our students a real understanding of what it is like to be a childcare practitioner.

After completing their A-Levels, Ellen Nicholson from Onslow and Chloe Steel are hoping to study Primary Education at Hertfordshire University. Chloe Steel worked at Creswick Primary and said 'it was chaos, but I loved the experience. I am definitely better suited to Key Stage 1 and 2 though'.

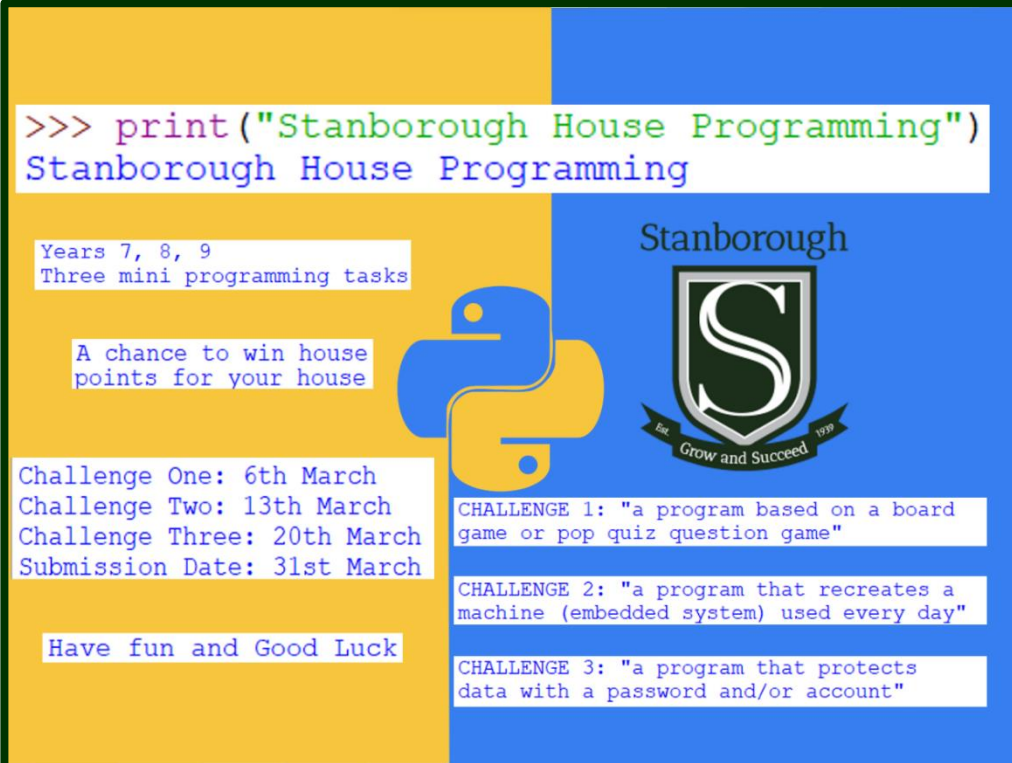
However, Ellen Nicholson thoroughly enjoyed her time at Oakview, 'I have come to realise the patience and understanding required from all staff working with Early Years children and it is where I see myself in the future'.

Erin Harrington commented 'I really enjoyed the opportunity to help the children with their phonics and put it into practise the theory we have learnt in lessons'.

Thank you to all the primary schools that offered the work experience places.

House Programming Challenge

House Programming challenges for Year 7, 8 & 9 will start on the 6th March with the final submission date on 31st March. Thank you to D Harrington, A Wadley and P King for helping to organise this new House event.



The poster is divided into two main color sections: yellow on the left and blue on the right. In the center, there is a large Python logo. To the right of the logo is the Stanborough school crest, which features a shield with a large 'S' and the motto 'Grow and Succeed' on a banner below it, with 'Est. 1999' on either side.

Code Snippet:

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>>> print("Stanborough House Programming")
Stanborough House Programming
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Details:

- Years 7, 8, 9
- Three mini programming tasks
- A chance to win house points for your house

Challenges and Dates:

- Challenge One: 6th March
- Challenge Two: 13th March
- Challenge Three: 20th March
- Submission Date: 31st March

Challenges:

- CHALLENGE 1: "a program based on a board game or pop quiz question game"
- CHALLENGE 2: "a program that recreates a machine (embedded system) used every day"
- CHALLENGE 3: "a program that protects data with a password and/or account"

Message: Have fun and Good Luck

Maths Superstars

Mrs Coldwell, STEM Leader: Mathematics, writes:

Students in Years 7-11 have been taking part in a wide range of team and individual competitions over the last few weeks and their achievements have been impressive.

The UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge took place on Thursday 2nd February and involved 58 of our Y9, Y10 and Y11 students. Aidan Wadley, Daniel Harrington, Zara Millar, Ben Paddick, Tameem Alom, and Austin Ashby all earned Gold Certificates and qualified for Kangaroo follow-on rounds. Kara Chauhan also earned a Gold Certificate. Silver Certificates went to Tahmid Halal, Maya Hirani, Ollie Thornton, Samuel Jeffrey, Martha Flint, Kathryn Stanley, Maggie Moylan, Matthew Dunstan, Lily Reding, Maxwell Chisholm, Jamie Merrill, Joshua Jeffrey and Lily-May Watkins. James Robinson, Moses Mbokolo, Rebecca Sanders, Navil Ahmed, Zara Printer, Maisy Buckingham, Olivia Preston, Joshua Carter, Olivia Scott, Hannah Broderick, Oscar Boyle and Poppy King all received Bronze Certificates.

Students in maths classes 8y1, 8y2, 8w1, 8w2, 8z1 and 8z2 all had the opportunity to take part in a pyramid relay quiz in the hall during one of their lessons in the week before half-term. They worked hard to solve questions as a team, with some able to build pyramids of 10 cards with a few spare but none quite able to reach the next pyramid of 15.

On Tuesday 28th Feb, it was the Year 10 Maths Feast in the morning and then the Year 7 County Team Maths Challenge after school. Navil Ahmed, Chennai Avery, Joshua Carter, Kara Chauhan, Lucy Eggleston, Martha Flint, Tahmid Halal, Jamie Merrill, Zara Printer, Olivia Scott, Kathryn Stanley and Ollie Thornton represented the school for the Year 10 competition. The team of Navil, Josh, Jamie and Tahmid won the first round and scored well overall, although their total score was just below the team of Kara, Zara, Olivia and Martha. Kathryn, Chennai, Lucy and Ollie did particularly well in the true/false round (which was harder than it sounds!).

Charlotte Winston, Aditi Singh, Kloe Francis, Kolin Varhelyi, Kashvi Rabadia, Toluwani Falegan, Davina Adepoju, Kiran Chauhan, Savannah Luong, Natalie Eckland, Damia Wan Faizal and Amelie Couling represented the school for the Year 7 Challenge. Team B, comprised of Kloe, Kolin, Kashvi and Damia, scored highly in both the first general maths round and the estimation round to take 6th place overall which may be enough to qualify for the final. We will know when all of the heats have finished. Well done to all of our mathematicians!

"I had lots of fun and experienced a new challenge. I would definitely do it again next year!"
Kiran Chauhan, Year 7



Question of the Week

Mathematics

Mr Modi, Curriculum Leader: Mathematics, writes:

SEND YOUR CORRECT ENTRY BY 08.03.23 TO EARN A GOLD AWARD



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: 12.0 cm

Question 2: 18 cm²

Pie Charts

The pie chart shows information about how the students in Year 11 get to school.

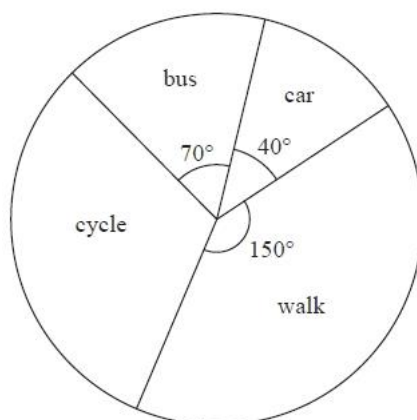


Diagram **NOT** accurately drawn

Mr Mason says, "Less than 10% of students in Year 11 get to school by car".

(a) Is Mr Mason correct? You must explain your answer.

50 students in Year 11 cycle to school.

(b) How many students in Year 11

walk to school?

take the bus to school?

go to school by car?

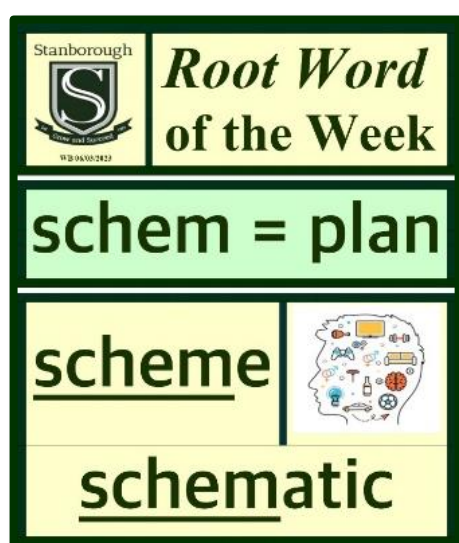
Art, Design & Technology Newsletter

The latest ADT newsletter is now available to download from our website,
<https://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/ADT-Newsletter-March-issue-10.pdf>



Word of the Week

W/c 6th March 2023



Speak Up Club at Welwyn Garden City Library

Speak-Up Club is a new free monthly club run by teenagers, for teenagers.

It takes place in the brand new Creator Space, in the WGC library & aims to help young people develop new skills & build confidence, suitable for ages 11-17.

The next meeting is on Sunday 12th March, 2-3pm.

