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Message from the Headteacher - Mrs John

Thank you to all our parents/carers for their understanding during yesterday's strike action by the NEU teaching staff, a reminder that there is another day of strike action scheduled for Tuesday 2nd May. Please check the letter emailed home last week for details on how this day will affect your child. As you will have seen last week on our social media platforms and in last week's newsletter we love to hear about the out of school activities our students take part in. We believe that taking part in extra-curricular activities in and out of school gives students the opportunity to develop important life skills. We therefore take every opportunity to celebrate the good work students do outside their day to day lessons through the Stanborough Times, social media, in assemblies and through the headteacher's weekly commendation award. If your child has taken part in an activity outside of school and you would like to share this with us we would love to hear about it. Please email me and your child's Year Leader with a short description of the activity and, if possible, a photo. In-school clubs and activities are now up and running and the listings can be found on our website and your child's tutor group noticeboard. There is something for everyone so we hope many students will partake in at least one activity. Wishing you all a happy bank holiday weekend.

Headteacher's Commendations

H Asamoah, C Winston, K Rabadia and T Jackson, (Yr.7) Reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader.

K Kirby, L Murray, R Mbokolo and E Palliser, (Yr.7) Being a part of the winning team in the Year 7 Geography Easter Egg Hunt.

M Jagadish, A Billa, T Zonda, M Kertesz, A Deans and A O'Neill, (Yr.7) Excellent participation for International Discrimination Day.



G Ashton-Jones, (Yr.7) Performing in the pre-game and half-time show at the Saracens Vs Harlequins showdown in front of 55,000 people.

A Billa, (Yr.7) Winning 2nd place in the House Programming competition.

N Olson, (Yr.7) Winning 3rd place in the House Programming competition.

W Napiorkowski, (Yr7) Being the highest runner up in the House Programming competition.

O Alamezie, (Yr.8) Always being polite, courteous and doing the right thing.

L Hartley, K Owusu and J Sheppard, (Yr.8) Reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader.

H Owusu Brobbey and B Baffour, (Yr.8) Excellent participation for International Discrimination day.

O Skenderi, (Yr.8) Winning 1st place in the House Programming competition.

M Mbokolo, (Yr.9) Working so hard to consistently achieve excellent marks in all science topic assessments.

F Brocklesby-Sum and T Villiers, (Yr.9) Reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader.

J Carter, (Yr.10) Outstanding attitude to learning across all lessons.

T Zonda, (Y.11) Outstanding commitment to studies in all lessons.

K Joyce, V Miles and I Verlander, (Yr.12) Consistent hard work during silent study.

A Kirivasan and E Joyce, (Y.13) Consistent hard work during silent study.

Quote of the week:

"Follow three rules: Do the right thing, do the best you can and always show people you care." Lou Holtz

Wish you a restful weekend. Mrs John



Headteacher Commendations







Forthcoming Events

1st - 5th May 2023

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1 st May	Bank Holiday , school closed
2 nd May	Strike Action by NEU Teacher Members
2 nd – 5 th May	Year 10 Mock Exams
3 rd -16 th May	Year 8 Exams
4 th May	Year 13 Cinema Workshop, London

Strike Action: Tuesday 2nd May

A letter was sent to all parents/carers last week outlining our arrangements for the forthcoming strike action on Tuesday 2nd May. Please ensure you read the letter carefully to see how your child is affected.

Clubs Booklet, Summer Term 2023

A list of Clubs and Activities for students taking place in the Summer Term is now available to view on our website under the heading "School Life/Clubs & Activities".

This booklet will allow students and parents to see the wide range of clubs and activities that Stanborough offers outside of lesson times. Please contact the member of staff involved if you require any further information about a particular club/activity.

Students can also find a copy of this on their Tutor Group notice board.

Holidays in Term Time

It is a legal requirement that holidays for students should not be taken during school time. Students out of school for any reason other than significant illness or an extreme and unexpected circumstance, such as a funeral, will not have their absence authorised.

Please, therefore, do not book holidays for your school age children during school time – any such absence will be unauthorised. School staff will not set work for children who are on holiday; the place for them to learn is in school and they need the lessons planned by their teachers if they are to fully understand the work and to make progress.

Unauthorised absence on a student's record will seriously damage their future opportunities, such as gaining employment or college and university places.

We take this matter very seriously; experience tell us that students who miss school, for whatever reason, perform less well in examinations and assessments than they otherwise would and therefore have fewer chances of success now and in the future.

Thank you for working with us to support your children's educational progress.

Farewell, Mrs. Nansoz!

Mr. Modi, Curriculum Leader for Mathematics, writes:

While training to be a teacher in 2014, Mrs. Nansoz completed one of her teaching placements at Stanborough School. After completing her training in 2015, Mrs. Nansoz joined Stanborough School as a Newly Qualified Teacher. In her first two years, along with teaching mathematics, Mrs. Nansoz also took a pastoral role and later on grabbed the opportunity to lead Key Stage 3 in the mathematics Faculty. As a Key Stage 3 Leader, Mrs. Nansoz led the restructuring of Key Stage 3 mathematics Curriculum and supported students and mathematics teachers with the year 6 into year 7 transition. Her calm manner and encouragement have always been appreciated by students. Mrs. Nansoz has been a valued member of the mathematics Faculty and will be missed by students and staff.

Mrs. Nansoz, thank you for the support you have given to students in your classes and in your tutor groups, and to the teachers in the mathematics Faculty over the years. We wish you the very best in your new school and in your future endeavours!

Year 8 County Team Maths Challenge

On Monday 24th April, twelve students in Year 8 represented Stanborough in the annual County Team Challenge. They worked hard in three teams of four to complete rounds on general mathematical problem-solving, estimation and a fast-paced memory round. The organiser, William Thallon of Herts for Learning, says that any team achieving over 100 points has put in a highly creditable performance and all of our teams scored well over 100 points. The team of Cecily Judge, Cait McIntosh, Emilia Hickey and Izabela Swidrak came joint 9th in the field of 30 teams in total, with especially impressive performances in the first two rounds on general maths and the memory round. The team of Caolán Fanning, David Antunes, Gabriel Powers-Small and Noah Paddick performed well throughout but really came into their own in the final general maths round. The estimation round was a particular strength for the team composed of Charlie Perrott, Oliver Parnham, Robert Winnie and Lisa Hartley. Joint 9th place may still be sufficiently high for Stanborough Team A to qualify for the County Final on Thursday 22nd June at Robertson House in Stevenage. We will just have to wait and see!

All twelve of the Year 8s who took part in the team challenge on Monday went on to complete the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge on Wednesday 26th April, alongside another 48 Year 8 and Year 7 students. These results will be available in a few weeks.

"I enjoyed it and hope I will have the chance to do it again next year." **Cecily Judge 8SM**

"The experience was really fun and I enjoyed it. Some questions were quite difficult but I think we did well." **Cait McIntosh 8SM**

"A lot of pressure but it was fun." **Gabriel Powers-Small**

"This was a great opportunity to use our maths knowledge



in a fun way." Charlie Perrott, Robert Winnie, Oliver Parnham and Lisa Hartley.

Imperial War Museum, Year 9 Trip

Mrs Stamp, Joint Subject Leader: History, writes:

On Tuesday 25th 66 Year 9 students were able to enhance their understanding of the Holocaust by visiting the Imperial War Museum's Holocaust Exhibition.

Our visit began with their educational workshop on the Holocaust in which the students showed excellent subject knowledge based on just a few lessons of study so far.

Our learning facilitator Emily asked "Why do we learn about the Holocaust?" Students responded with the idea that we should never allow it to happen again. Most heartbreakingly, Emily pointed out that genocides have happened since and are still happening so this particular lesson has not yet been learnt.

She explained however, that uncovering the individual stories of the brave men women and children who had to endure this barbaric persecution gives a voice to those the Nazis tried to silence and extinguish.

The exhibition had been completely redone since our last visit five years ago and there was a conscious attempt to focus on individuals

and their stories. The exhibition was very moving and as admission to the Imperial War Museum is free to visit for the general public, I would strongly recommend visiting to the Holocaust Exhibition to support your study of History.







Question of the Week

Mathematics

Mr Modi, Curriculum Leader: Mathematics, writes:



SEND YOUR CORRECT ENTRY BY 03.05.23 TO EARN A GOLD AWARD

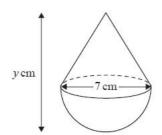
Send your answers with workings by email to smodi@stanborough.herts.sch.uk or on a piece of paper to the Maths Office.

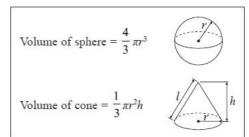
Answers to last week's QOTW

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Question

A solid cone is joined to a solid hemisphere to make the solid T shown below.





The diameter of the base of the cone is 7 cm.

The diameter of the hemisphere is 7 cm.

The total volume of **T** is 120π cm³

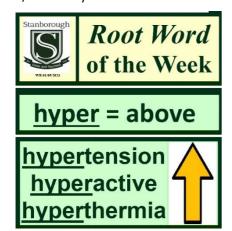
The total height of **T** is *y* cm.

Calculate the value of y.

Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.

Root Word of the Week

W/c 1st May 2023



ADT Newsletter

The latest ADT Newsletter is now available to download from our website,

https://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/ADT-Newsletter-April-issue-12.pdf



Sport & PE Clubs Summer Term 2023

Lunch Time (1.20 – 1.50pm)							
Monday	Badminton	All Years	Sports Hall	Mr Harris			
Tuesday	Basketball	Year 9 & 10	Sports Hall	Mr Harris & Mr Foster			
Wednesday	Basketball	Year 7	Sports Hall	Mr Minion			
	Table Tennis	All Years	Gym	Mr Foster			
Thursday	Basketball	Year 7 & 8	Sports Hall	Mr Harris & Mr Foster			
Friday	Volleyball	Year 10 & 11	Sports Hall	Mr Harris, Mr Minion & Mr Foster			

After School (3.00 – 4.15pm)							
Monday	Athletics	All Years	Sports Hall	PE Staff			
Tuesday	Cricket	All Years	Sports Hall	Mr Harris			
Wednesday	Softball	All Years	Sports Hall	Mr Minion, Mr Foster & Mr Harris			
	Rounders	All Years	Sports Hall	Mrs Hitchen, Miss Novelli & Miss Bowen			
Thursday	Athletics	All Years	Sports Hall	PE Staff			
Friday	No Clubs						

Please note:

Fixtures / Inter House events will take priority over training

Poor weather conditions may also effect the running of extra-curricular clubs

Exams will take place in the Sports Hall so no clubs that use the Sports Hall location will take place during the exam period

Oaklands College Twilight Taster Sessions – Wednesday 3rd May, 4.30-6pm

An opportunity to gain some hands-on experience from a wide selection of subjects and to find out what college life is really like.

Please note there are limited spaces, so book now to avoid disappointment.



Vacancy

We wish to appoint a Caretaker to join the site management team in ensuring the effective operation and maintenance of the school's buildings and grounds.

Closing date: Monday 15th May, 9am



CARETAKER 20 hours per week Monday to Friday, 1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Term time only

Starting as soon as possible

H3: £21,575 – £21,968 + £663 outer fringe pro rata. **Actual salary £10,051 - £10,228 approximately**

We wish to appoint a Caretaker to join the site management team in ensuring the effective operation and maintenance of the school's buildings and grounds.

We are looking for someone who is practical, reliable and with good communication skills. Skills in general maintenance or DIY tasks are essential and skills in a particular trade or experience of similar premises work would be an advantage.

We were delighted to be awarded a 'Good' rating by Ofsted in March 2023, this recognises the hard work and progress made by all in the school. Prospective candidates are encouraged to read the full report available on our website at https://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/2023-OFSTED-Report.pdf.

Further details are available from the school or downloadable from the school website. Applications are invited by letter (no more than 2 sides of A4) to the Headteacher, outlining your suitability for the role, together with a **Stanborough application form to:**

Mrs M John, Headteacher, Stanborough School, Lemsford Lane, Welwyn Garden City, AL8 6YR Tel: 01707 321755

Email: recruitment@stanborough.herts.sch.uk

Closing date: 9am, Monday 15th May 2023

Prospective candidates are encouraged to submit their applications as soon as possible, as this advert will close without warning should we feel able to appoint an appropriate candidate.

Stanborough School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects staff to share this commitment. All post holders are subject to a satisfactory Disclosure and Barring Service check (DBS). The following policies are provided on the vacancies section of our website: Policy for Safeguarding and Safer Recruitment and Retention Policy.

