

Message from the Headteacher – Mrs John

A reminder to all our Year 9 parents/carers and students that we are holding our Year 9 options evening next week on Tuesday 23rd January, 6pm. This is an important meeting as students begin their key stage 4 courses in Year 10. During the evening the option process will be explained and you will receive a booklet about the options on offer in Year 10. There is also the opportunity to meet with curriculum and subject leaders to discuss the courses in more detail. For Year 11 students looking to apply to sixth form they should do so by Friday 26th January as we have concluded our Year 11 interviews. A link to the consortium post 16 application form has been emailed to parents and students earlier this week.

Headteacher's Commendations

E Kane, Yr.7 for outstanding work in literacy;

O Kirk and M Payne, Yr.7 for reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader;

A Tyagi, Yr.7 for being an amazing 'Buddy' to a new student and helping her to settle so well;

S Karakashli, Yr.7 for writing an exceptional poem in English;

O Hanson, Yr.7 for consistent hard work and dedication to both school and extra-curricular activities;

E Hickey and D Jude, Yr.9 for reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader;

H Temple, Yr.9 for outstanding work and commitment to SALT and supporting with House Drama;

G Frimpomg, J Vieira Dias Moreira, E Adesanya and K Graham, Yr.10 for outstanding work in all English Literature and English Language lessons;

R Sanders, Yr.10 for playing in the Herts County Cup for Welwyn Pegasus, the first ever girls team to play a County Cup game;

B Brocklesby Sum, Yr.8 for reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader;

A Couling, A Macdonald, B Page, E McHugh, G Potter, I Khan, J Rowe, K Kirby, M Joshi, N Barker,

N Da Silva, R Cameron, R Russell, Z Palin and D Harrison, Yr.8 for an exceptional piece of creative writing in English;

N Eckland, Yr.8 for outstanding achievement in a Grade 4 flute exam;

S St John, Yr.8 for outstanding effort and attitude to learning in all history lessons;

N Thackeray, Yr.11 for outstanding effort and attitude to learning in all lessons;

K French, M Mbokolo, D Karota, B Morgan, A Matshogoto, M Hedger, E Afrifa, I Ibrahim, E Powell and

M Dunston, Yr.12 for excellent support and attendance with lunch time duties.



Quote of the week:

"Believe in yourself and you can achieve greatness in your life." Judy Blume

Wish you a restful weekend.

Mrs John



Headteacher Commendations





Top 10 ATL Students, Autumn Term 2023

Well done to our top 10 students who secured the highest “Attitude to learning” score in the autumn term. We hope you enjoyed your break time with the Headteacher this week!

Year 7



Z Strozewska, I Fanning, S Muca, E Reding,
O Kirk, S Newton, C Alex, I Aquilina,
H Berridge, Z Kopko, A Wadley

Year 8



J Dykes, B Brocklesby Sum, H Dunstan,
A Macdonald, A Michael, W Napiorkowski,
N Olson, K Kirby, L Nelson, V Fedorov,
K Francis, T Jackson, M Jagadish, K Varhelyi

Year 9



E Abajue, E Hickey, M Hoss, B Baffour,
L Hartley, D Antunes, F Gibbs, E Kalarus,
M Memishaj, P Spanoudakis, R Winnie

Year 10



F Macdonald, W Lee Nazara, P Wadley,
I Jarvis, R Sanders, S Savasci, A Lowe,
M Mbokolo, J Vieira Dias Moreira,
E Adesanya, S Hirani, T Villiers

Year 11



M Flint, A Senaratne, R Paulionka,
Z Printer, O Kyriacou, O Thornton,
J Carter, S Wilsmore, C Avery,
J Morona, J Morona

Forthcoming Events

22nd – 26th January

Week B

22 nd	Primary School Music Visit, Year 9 & 10, 9.45-11am
23 rd	Year 9 Options Evening, 5.30pm
24 th	Maths Olympiad Round 2
25 th	Bold Voices Talks, 9-11am – Year 9 & 10
26 th	DofE Bronze Navigation Prep, 3-4.30pm

Stanborough School Production 2024

High School Musical

13th, 14th & 15th February 2024 5.30pm

Tickets available on Arbor

Additional language exams: volunteering opportunity

We are looking for volunteers to support the school with Chinese speaking exams in April 2024 and Arabic in April 2025. Full training will be provided.

If you are fluent in Chinese or Arabic and speak English to a good level, or you know someone who does, please contact Ms Kohls on exams@stanborough.herts.sch.uk.


Vacancy

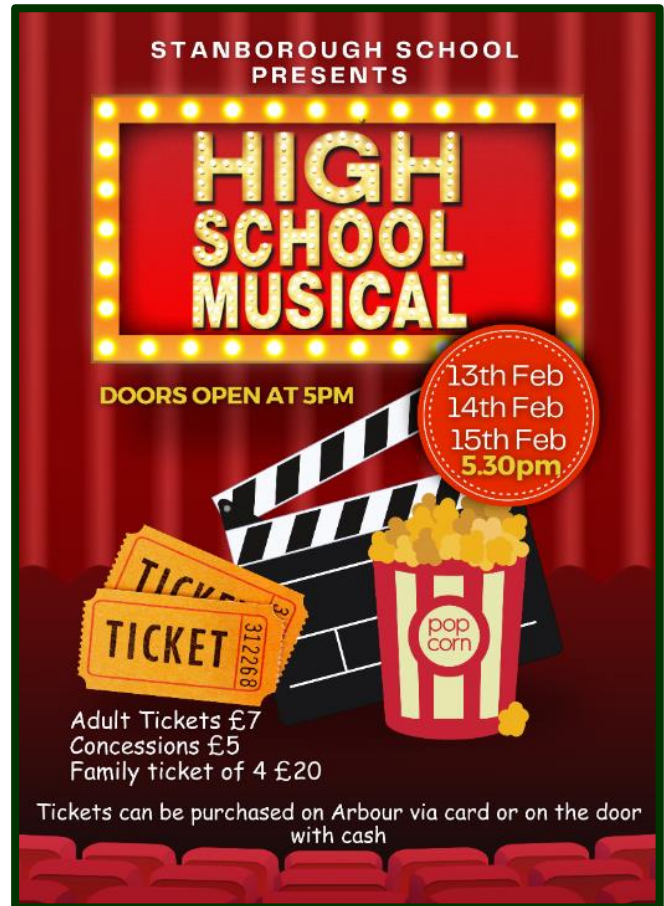

Sixth Form Study Support Assistant

We have an exciting opportunity for a skilled administrator to join our school as a Sixth Form Support Assistant to provide support to the Head of 6th Form and the students one day per week, on a Friday. Please see our website for details, <https://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/vacancies/staff-vacancies/>

Root Word of the Week

W/c 22nd January 2024

	Root Word of the Week
ast(er)= star	
asteroid astronomy astronaut	



Stanborough School	
	 
JOB VACANCY	
Sixth Form Study Support Assistant Part-Time	
CLOSING DATE : 25TH JANUARY 2024, 9AM	
See our website for details	

International Coding Competition

Mr Green, Assistant Headteacher, writes:

At the end of last term, twenty Year 11 Computer Scientists took part in an international coding competition. The competition was to work as a whole class team on coding 20 challenges which were timed and scored. 3912 schools took part across 146 countries. Students worked amazingly well together and achieved third place, out of the 8946 entries which is a massive achievement.



Year 7 Great Stanborough Bake Off

Mrs Brittain, Learning Support Teacher, writes:

This house competition is open to all students in Year 7. Could you be our Star Baker?

Task:

Design and bake a cake which is inspired by your school house team. This could involve using the house colour as inspiration or including features or facts based on your house team.

You can be as creative as you like. You might use decorations, cake shape and fillings to show your theme. You may decide to give your cake a name or title. The cake and decoration should be home-made by you.

How to enter:

Please send **two** photographs of your cake to Mrs Brittain at mbrittain@stanborough.herts.sch.uk

One photo should be of the whole cake and one should be a slice or cross-section to show the inside. All entries must be received **by 5pm on FRIDAY 2nd FEBRUARY 2024**.

Finalists:

One finalist from each house will be chosen to take part in a "Live Bake Off" after school later in February.



On your marks... get set... BAKE!



INCLUSION

CORNER



Parent/Carer Autism Online Workshops

Whether your child is awaiting a diagnosis or has already been diagnosed, these workshops are a great opportunity to learn more about autism and ask questions within a supportive group of other parents and carers.

- **Monday 5th February – An introduction to Autism**
An opportunity to explore what Autism is, the many strengths and the differences that make each child so wonderfully unique.
- **Monday 12th February – Communication**
Identifying what communication is and the different communication methods that may be helpful for Autistic children.
- **Monday 19th February – Sensory Processing**
Explaining the 8 sensory systems, how the environment can impact on a child with sensory processing differences/challenges and strategies to meet an individual's sensory needs.
- **Monday 26th February – Pathological Demand Avoidance**
A look into the interesting subject of PDA, how this may present and what is the best approach to take to avoid conflict.

Workshops will be held 7.30-8.30pm via Zoom
£24 per workshop per family

To book your place.....Email enquiries@autismtrainingnetwork.com
Or scan the QR code



Welwyn Hatfield Schools Partnership Donation Drives

Mrs Bodrozic, Lead School Family Worker, writes:



Clothing Drive

We are collecting pre-loved clothing for children and young people aged between 5-16 years old to help the families in most need in our community.

Donations can include t-shirts, tops, jumpers, cardigans, leggings, trousers, coats and jackets. We do ask that any underwear or socks are brand new.

If your child has outgrown any clothing or you have items lying around that they just don't wear which are clean and in a good condition. please bring them to the main office at Stanborough school by Friday 9th February. After this date, the items will be sorted and distributed within our community.

Thank you for your support.



Please donate to our 2024

Clothing Drive

We are collecting pre-loved clothing for infants & children in our community aged between 5-16

T-shirts, tops, jumpers, cardigans, leggings, trousers, coats, jackets

Brand new underwear & socks only

Clean, good condition clothing

Please bring your donations to Stanborough School Main Office by Friday 9th February



Hygiene Products Drive

There are many families in our community that are in need of help with what we see as the most basic things in life. With this in mind we are collecting hygiene products for children, young people and families.

Families are in need of personal hygiene items such as toothpaste and toothbrushes, shampoo and conditioners, deodorants, face wash, moisturisers, shower gels as well as the most basic day to day items such as toilet roll, baby wipes, washing up liquid, washing powder, cleaning sprays etc.

If you are able to donate any items such as those listed above please bring them to the main office at Stanborough school by Friday 9th February. All items will then be distributed to the children, young people and families in the most need.

On behalf of the Welwyn & Hatfield school's partnership team and the families in our community we thank you for your support.



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Hygiene Products Drive

We are collecting hygiene products for children, young people & families in our community

- Toothpastes, toothbrushes, shampoos, conditioners, deodorants, face wash, moisturisers (facial & body), shower gels
- Multipurpose cleaning sprays
- Toilet paper
- Baby wipes
- Washing up liquid
- Washing powder

Unopened and unused hygiene products only please

Please bring your donations to Stanborough School Main Office by Friday 9th February

Question of the Week

Mathematics

Mr Modi, Curriculum Leader: Mathematics, writes:



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SEND YOUR CORRECT ENTRY BY 24.01.24 TO EARN A GOLD AWARD

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

Answer to last week's question:
144 degrees

Question

The diagram shows the top of Levi's birthday cake.

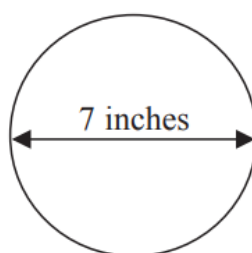


Diagram **NOT**
accurately drawn

The top of the cake is in the shape of a circle.
The diameter of the circle is 7 inches.

A ribbon is going to be put around the side of the cake.
Ribbons are sold in 50 cm lengths.

1 inch is 2.54 cm.

Work out if one length of ribbon is long enough to go all the way around the cake.
You must show your working.

Question of the Week

Mr McCarthy, 11SE Tutor and Teacher of RPE, CSE and Finance, writes:

Provide the correct definition for the following words from Islam:

1. Imam
2. Khutbah
3. Friday
4. Madressa
5. Qur'an

Please send your answers to dmccarthy@stanborough.herts.sch.uk

Bronze for all correct answers received

Thank you for taking part



PE Extra-Curricular Clubs, January 2024

Lunch time, 1.20 – 1.55pm		Year	Location	Teacher
Monday	Badminton	All Years	Sports Hall	Mr Minion
Tuesday	Basketball (free practice)	Year 7 & 8	Sports Hall	Mr Harris
Wednesday	Basketball (free practice)	Year 9, 10 & 11	Sports Hall	Mr Harris
	Dance	Year 7, 8 & 9	Gym	Miss Novelli & Mrs Harris
Thursday	Volleyball	Year 9 & 10	Sports Hall	Mr Foster
Friday	Volleyball	Year 10 & 11	Sports Hall	Mr Minion

After School, 3 – 4.15pm		Year	Location	Teacher
Monday	Basketball	Year 7	Sports Hall	Mr Foster
	CNAT P6	Year 11	TBC	Mr Minion
	Dance	All Years	Gym	Miss Novelli
Tuesday	Rugby	Year 7	Sports Hall	Mr Harris
	Netball	Year 7 & 8	Sports Hall	Mrs Harris
	Netball	Year 9 & 10	Sports Hall	Miss Novelli & Mrs Harris
Wednesday	Volleyball	Year 11 & 6 th form	Sports Hall	Mr Foster
	GCSE PE P6	Year 11	Sports Hall	Mr Harris
Thursday	Girls' Football	All Years	Sports Hall & Field	Miss Novelli
	Basketball	Year 8	Sports Hall	Mr Minion
Friday	No Clubs			

This term's sports fixtures are available to download from our website,
<https://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/2024-Fixture-List-2024.pdf>

BYOUth teens wellbeing programme

BYOUth teens wellbeing programme is now MONDAY 22nd January 2024, for both online and in person services.

[BYOUth](#), is a Herts County Council funded (free) teenage wellness programme will run for 10 weeks ONLINE and IN PERSON from the Cottonmill Community and Cycle Centre in St Albans.



BYOUth

Hey you!

Want to invest in your health and wellbeing?

Sign up to B+YOU(th) - a free programme to help you achieve your health goals.

Our 10-week programme starts on:

Date: Monday 22nd January 2024

Time: Starts 17:30 finishes 18:30

Venue: Cottonmill Community & Cycle Centre St Albans AL1 2EF and ONLINE !

Open to 13-17 year olds only, check our website for details.
For alternative formats, email marketing@bmaimusic.co.uk quoting X22-2023

Or start your journey today with online support!

Hertfordshire

North Herts Drop-in Service

New drop in services are now available. The next session will be Monday 29th January from 12.30-2.23pm in Letchworth.



SADA Drop-in Service

Every other Monday from 12.30pm to 2.30pm

To provide support and advice to victims and survivors, and children living with domestic abuse

For more information, please call 01438 242666 and ask for our Community Safety Team or email SADA@stevenage.gov.uk

SURVIVORS AGAINST DOMESTIC ABUSE

East Herts
WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL
North Herts Council
Stevenage BOROUGH COUNCIL