

## Message from the Headteacher – Mrs John

Congratulations to our talented actors, musicians, SaLT and behind the scenes helpers for the wonderful performances during this week's High School Musical production. You should all be very proud of yourselves. Again, thank you to all the staff involved in giving up their time to ensure everything ran smoothly and was the success it was! The booking system is now open for the Year 10 parents' evening which takes place on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. As usual appointments are online via video call, 3.30-6.30pm. Please refer to the email sent home earlier this week for more information and guidance. We wish you all an enjoyable and relaxing half term break next week. Finally, a quick reminder that Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March is an inset day and school will be closed to students. See you all back on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February.

## Headteacher's Commendations

**E Reding, Yr.7** for reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader;

**R Little, Yr.8** for outstanding attitude to learning in all lessons, particularly Science;

**T Settle, Yr.9** for reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader;

**K McCalla, Yr.10** for taking on a leadership role in Drama rehearsals and directing the chorus;

**K Chohan, Yr.10** for showing great resilience and maturity;

**S Paalayangoda, Yr.10** for exceptional work ethic and consistently outstanding quality of work in Geography;

**H Carr-Drake, Yr.10** for consistent effort in lessons, improved quality of written work and maintaining an excellent set of notes in Geography;

**D Adebambi, Yr.10** for approaching every Geography lesson with energy and enthusiasm and making valuable contributions that benefit all students;

**S Wilsmore, Yr.11** for showing great resilience and commitment during the mock exams;

**A Zourdani, Yr.12** for going above and beyond to care for those around him;

**J Quizzagan, Yr.13** for having the 'most improved' grade in his recent Business mock exam;

**J Farran and I Atukorola, Yr.13** for securing an A\* grade in the unit 1 written exam for Finance;

**K Simkins, Yr.13** for securing the highest mark in the unit 3 written exam for Finance, achieving an A\*.



## Quote of the week:

"Reflect on your present blessings, of which every man has many – not on your past misfortunes, of which all men have some." Charles Dickens

Wish you a restful half term break.

Mrs John



## Headteacher Commendations



## Forthcoming Events

26<sup>th</sup> February – 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Week B

27 <sup>th</sup>	Post 18 Evening, online
28 <sup>th</sup>	Young Carers First Aid Workshop Year 11/12/13 Drama students Theatre Visit, 11am onwards
29 <sup>th</sup>	Year 9 DTP & ACWY Vaccinations
1 <sup>st</sup> March	Inset Day – School closed to students

## Year 10 Parents' Evening

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Year 10 parents' evening takes place on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 3.30-6.30pm. All appointments are via an online video call. Appointments can be made from now until midnight on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Below is a link to the booking system, this can also be found on the letter emailed home earlier this week 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](mailto:parentsevening@stanborough.herts.sch.uk)



## Farewell

Mrs Welch, PA to SLT

*Mrs John, Headteacher, writes:*

On Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February we sadly said goodbye to Sue Welch who has retired after working at Stanborough for 23 years. Sue has held several positions at the school, starting as receptionist then Office Manager and for the final years of her time at Stanborough she was PA to the Senior Leadership Team. In all her roles at the school, Sue was the consummate professional, nothing was any trouble for her, and she always carried out her duties with a smile and a positive attitude that spread to all those who worked with her. Sue has been saying goodbye to colleagues and friends all week. On Monday at staff briefing, Mrs Vlijter held a quiz for all the staff on Sue where we all learnt something new! Sue also had goodbye events with the Senior Leadership Team and with the office staff on other days. It is also testament to her hard work and dedication to Stanborough that several past colleagues have also been in touch with kind messages for her. She will be missed at Stanborough but we wish her a long and happy retirement with her recently retired husband, Barry. She deserves it!

## Safer Internet Day 2024



*Mr Green, Assistant Headteacher, writes:*

Safer Internet Day is the UK's biggest celebration of online safety. Each year it covers an online issue or theme that speaks to the things young people are seeing and experiencing online. This year Safer Internet Day focused on change online, this includes covering:

- Young people's perspective on new and emerging technology
- Using the internet to make change for the better
- The changes young people want to see online
- The things that can influence and change the way young people think, feel and act online and offline

After the assembly, tutor groups were able to participate in an online quiz.

Congratulations to the following tutor groups for the scoring the highest marks in the quiz:

8SE Mr McGowan  
7HC Mrs Pearson  
10SE Dr Sutton  
7SM Mr Bishop  
8BM Dr Jolly  
7KK Miss Abbott

## Welwyn Garden City & Hatfield Schools Partnership Newsletter

The latest WGCH LSP newsletter is now available to download from our website,  
<https://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/WGCH-Newsletter-Feb-2024.pdf>







# INCLUSION

# CORNER

## HPCI AIS Parent Carer Webinar

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024

10am – 12.30pm



 <p><b>Find out about the 'Autism in Schools' (AIS) project</b></p>  <p>Hertfordshire Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust</p> 	 <p><b>Hear what our guest speakers can offer you!</b></p> 
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## Question of the Week

### Mathematics

Mr Modi, Curriculum Leader: Mathematics, writes:



**SEND YOUR CORRECT ENTRY BY 28.02.24 TO EARN A GOLD AWARD**

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

**Answer to last weeks' question:**

**240**

#### Question

The diagram shows a triangle.

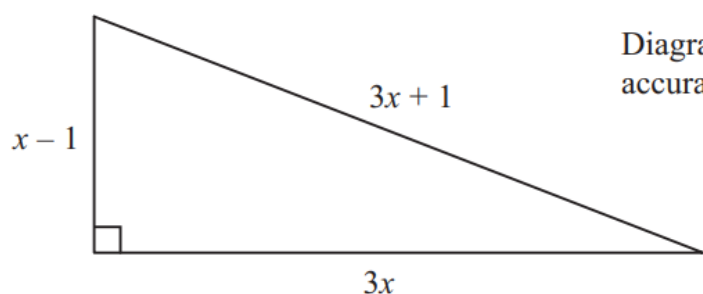


Diagram **NOT**  
accurately drawn

In the diagram, all the measurements are in metres.

The perimeter of the triangle is 56 m.

The area of the triangle is  $A \text{ m}^2$ .

Work out the value of  $A$ .

## Geography

Miss Hughes, Geography Teacher, writes:

"How does Diamond dust occur and specifically on which continent?"

Bring your answer to me on paper or via email by 28<sup>th</sup> March, [ahughes@stanborough.herts.sch.uk](mailto:ahughes@stanborough.herts.sch.uk)

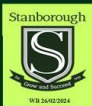

Points up for grabs!

Good luck



## Root Word of the Week

W/c 26<sup>th</sup> February

	<b>Root Word of the Week</b>
<b><u>acer</u> = sour</b>	
<b><u>acer</u>bate</b>	
<b><u>acer</u> bic</b>	

## RPE, CSE

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



This week we are looking at the religion of Islam and this week's questions are:

1. What is Makkah?
2. Tell us one thing that each of the following people did at Makkah:
  - a) Ishmael
  - b) Hagar
  - c) Abraham

Please don't forget to include your full name and class code on all your answers.

Last week's question asked you to create one more commandment to add to the Ten Commandments that would help and encourage us all to live in a better way and the best answers received were:

**Thou should share what you have (sharing is caring)**

**Thou should not be racist**

**Thou should care for the poor**

**Thou should be honest to oneself and the one's that thou loves**

A truly marvellous response. Thank you all for taking part!

A silver goes to:

Suhani Sathwara

Harry Carter

Ibukunoluwa Fajemiyo

A special thanks to Deborah Adesanya for coming up with these terrific commandments:

- 1) Be honest to yourself and the ones you love
- 2) Respect people who were there with you when no one was. Never let them down.
- 3) Cherish books and TV shows that changed your life for good, share them with others.
- 4) Be humble always.
- 5) Never change yourself because someone else looks promising for the moment.
- 6) Respect the environment that you live in.
- 7) Do not idolise celebrities or idols, be your own person.
- 8) The law has no exceptions, just abide it.
- 9) Thou shall not cyberbully
- 10) Make time to be happy.

Let's all try our best to follow them. Well done.

No questions next week because it's half term holidays.

Well done to you all. Stay safe and we'll see you all back here at the start of Spring.



# Elections 2024

Heads of School & Senior Prefect Team

## THE PROCESS

The Launch - Friday 16th February

### Application

Letter of application to Mrs John  
by noon Monday 26th February

### Hustings, live to all year groups

Week beginning 11th March

### Interviews

Friday 22nd March

### Handover from current Heads of School

Week beginning 25th March



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

## PE Extra-Curricular Clubs

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 <sup>th</sup> 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/2024/02/2024-Fixture-List-Feb24.pdf>

All our clubs and activities are listed on our website,  
<https://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/clubs-activities/>