STANBOROUGH TIMES

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Message from the Headteacher - Mrs John

This week the Year 7 council have been excited to announce the Year 7 Valentine's disco, open to all Year 7 students on Friday 7th February, with the proceeds being donated to our charity for this year, Safeline. A letter has been emailed home earlier this week with all the details. Details on the forthcoming second round of mock exams which focus on English and Maths for our Year 11 students has also been distributed by email. Some students will also have received an invitation, with the expectation to attend, to revision society sessions which run on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays to support students in the run up to their GCSE exams after the Easter break. A final reminder to Year 9 parents/carers and students about our important options evening meeting on Tuesday 28th January which will start promptly at 5pm. Next week is also the deadline for applications to Post 16 here at Stanborough. Please see over the page for further information on all these important events. Finally, Mrs Brittain has launched this year's Year 7 Great Stanborough Bake-Off. One finalist from each House will be chosen to take part in a live bake-off in March to find our star baker! Good luck to all our budding bakers!

Headteacher's Commendations

B Codrean, L Gorelli Simone, B Player, O Aregbesola, E Kirby and D Chikelu, Yr.7 for reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader;

B Ayeni, Yr.7 for achieving first place in his category at the England Karate Championships;

O Pytka, Yr.7 for achieving a Bronze award in Swimming;

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

W Napiorkowski, Yr.9 for reading a million words since September and becoming a millionaire reader;



O Alamezie, O Skenderi, S Dana, S Spahiu and R Norman, Yr.10 for an outstanding act of kindness in the community;

L Harvey, Yr.11 for going above and beyond and completing extra revision exam essays;

J Shah and C Avery, Yr.12 for excellent support in the Science Department.

Quote of the week:

"Before anything else, preparation is the key to success." Alexander Graham Bell

Wish you a restful weekend. Mrs John



Headteacher Commendations







Top 10 ATL Students, Autumn Term 2024

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 12



Student Name	Form	Average ATL
Martha Flint	12B	4.00
Lutzia Holbourns	12H	4.00
Kara Chauhan	12B	3.75
Luisa Ilisoi	12K	3.75
Aeron Senaratne	12S	3.75
Jiya Shah	12K	3.75
Summer Daley	12K	3.67
Reinas Paulionka	12H	3.67
Zara Printer	12B	3.67

Year 13



Student Name	Form	Average ATL
Isabella Cristea	135	4.00
Matthew Dunstan	13S	4.00
Stephen Grigg	13B	4.00
Daniel Harrington	135	4.00
Olivia Krainska	13B	4.00
Ashleigh Matshogoto	13B	4.00
Maggie Moylan	13B	4.00
Ben Paddick	13B	4.00
Olivia Preston	13K	4.00
Sajini Satheeskumar	13K	4.00
Samuel Ward	13S	4.00

Forthcoming Events

27th – 31st January

Week A

Year 11 Revision Society, 3-5pm, Hall
School Council Meeting, 8.35-9.15am
Year 9 Options Evening, 5pm
Intermediate Mathematical Challenge, 8-10.30am
Hear2Listen Mentoring, 9-10am
Lakeside Visit, 1.20-2.45pm
Year 11 Special Assembly with Oaklands College Visitor, 8.40-9am
Year 11 Revision Society
Year 12/13 Guest Speaker, Paul Poets

Year 9 Options Evening, reminder

As you will be aware, Stanborough School students begin their Key Stage 4 courses in Year 10.

We are pleased to invite you to an important information evening which will be held at 5.00pm on Tuesday 28 January 2025 in the School Hall.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss with you the options process and the subjects available for Year 10. You will receive a booklet about the options on offer and will also have the opportunity to meet with curriculum and subject leaders to discuss the courses in more detail.

We look forward to welcoming you on Tuesday 28 January 2025.

Application to Year 12 at Stanborough

The online application for the Welwyn Hatfield Consortium is now open for 2025 applicants. All students wishing to join Stanborough 6th form in September must complete this form and submit it by 29th January. <u>Link to application form</u>

Pick up and Drop off Reminder

Can we please remind you not to use the entrance to our staff car park to drop off and/or pick up your children. This is causing congestion on the main road and is a danger to students and other drivers. Please also be considerate not to block resident's driveways.

Year 7 Disco

Miss Aubrey, Deputy Year Leader: Year 7, writes:

The year council are really excited to announce our Year 7 Valentine's disco on Friday 7th February. This event will run in the school hall from 5-7pm.

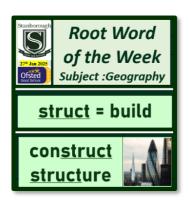
Tickets are available on Arbor at a price of £5, this includes admission, a small drink and a snack. Other refreshments will also be available to purchase (with cash). All proceeds will go to our school's charity, Safeline.



Please make arrangements for your child to be picked up at 7.00pm.

Get your glad rags on and let's go dancing.

Root Word of the Week W/c 27th January 2025



Lunar New Year, 30th January 2025

Come and join in the Lunar New Year in 'The Kitchen' on 30th January.



Support Staff Vacancies

Please see our website for more information, Staff Vacancies – Stanborough School

Exam Invigilators

We are looking to appoint flexible, adaptable, and dedicated individuals to join our existing team of exam invigilators to assist with the coordination and supervision of our internal and public exams.

Teaching Assistant / Higher Level Teaching Assistant We are looking to appoint a permanent Teaching Assistant/HLTA to support students with Special Educational Needs and / or Disabilities to enable them to achieve their full potential at school.

Year 13 Talk & Mock Interviews with an Employer

Mrs Stamp, Careers Leader, writes:

Last Friday, we were fortunate enough to be visited by former student (and successful apprentice) Louise Grenfell to help prepare our post 16 students for apprenticeship or apprenticeship applications and interviews. After a really informative talk on how to navigate the application process of assessment and psychometric centres tests, students, engaged in mock interviews with employers from Paypoint.

Each Year 13 student who signed up handed their C.V. to their interviewer, had a formal interview and were given feedback. Good luck this year Year 13!



Part Time, Casual Contract CLOSING DATE: STH FEBRUARY 2025, 9AM See our website for details Stanborough School JOB VACANCY Teaching Assistant / Higher Level Teaching Assistant CLOSING DATE: 6TH FEBRUARY 2025, 9AM

See our website for details

Stanborough School

JOB VACANCY

Exam Invigilators



Mrs Vlijter, Assistant Headteacher, writes:

Thank you to Yosh from BOLD VOICES who came in to talk to our Year 9 and 10s about gender and consent this week. Lots for the students to reflect on. If you'd like further information, please see the website: <u>Bold Voices</u>



Dance trip success

Miss Novelli, PE Teacher, writes:

Last week our dance club attended Matilda the musical in the West End to educate and inspire them for their dance performances in the school production.

The students represented Stanborough beautifully and received multiple compliments on their polite and exemplary behaviour!

What a fabulous trip!





Musicians Visit Local Primary School

Some of our talented musicians went to visit Howe Dell primary school on Tuesday afternoon to show off their skills and answer questions from the Year 5 students about music at Stanborough







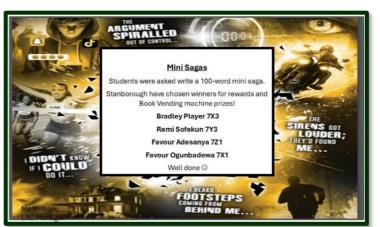
Student Success

Congratulations Bolu, 7SE, who came first in his category at the England karate championships!

Fight or Flight Mini Saga

Congratulations to our mini saga winners.

Bradley Player Remi Sofekun Favour Adesanya Favour Ogunbadewa





HOUSE COMPETITION!

Year 7 Great Stanborough Bake Off 2025

Open to all Year 7 students, see the poster for details.

All entries must be sent to Mrs Brittain by 5pm, Wednesday 12th February.

<u> 9</u>99999999999 YEAR 7 GREAT STANBOROUGH BAKE OFF This house competition is open to all students in Year 7. Could you be our Star Baker? Task: Bake Off Design and bake a cake which is inspired by you! You might use your favourite colours, hobbies or interests. It could reflect your culture or be a self-portrait. Be as creative as you like. Your cake design could consider decorations, cake shape and fillings. The cake and decoration should be home-made by you. You may decide to give your cake a name/title or just write a sentence in your email to explain your design. 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 WEDNESDAY 12th FEBRUARY 2025.

One finalist from each house will be chosen to take part in a

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

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"Live Bake Off" held after school in March 2025.

Finalists:



Reward Badges at Stanborough

HEADTEACHER'S
COMMENDATION AWARD



Awarded to students when nominated by a staff member. Students also receive a certificate and photo with Mrs John, which is published in the Stanborough Times and on social media.

Awarded weekly 50 reward points

TOP ATTITUDE TO LEARNING AWARD



Awarded to students who achieve the top ten highest attitude to learning scores in their progress update report.

Awarded termly

MOST IMPROVED
ATTUTIDE TO LEARNING
AWARD



Awarded to students with the most improved scores in their progress update report.

Awarded termly

HIGHEST REWARD POINTS



Awarded to the top ten students from each year group who have earned the most positive points on Class Charts.

Awarded termly.

GOVERNORS
CITIZENSHIP AWARD



Awarded to a student for service to the community.

Awarded termly

+70 reward points

100% ATTENDANCE AWARD



Awarded to students with 100% attendance that term.

Awarded termly

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD



Awarded to students who have made an outstanding contribution to Citizenship and Leadership during the academic year.

Awarded at the summer presentation evening.

CURRICULUM AWARD



Awarded to students who have shown outstanding curriculum achievement during the academic year.

Awarded at the summer presentation evening.

YEAR LEADER'S AWARD



Awarded to students for outstanding achievement in their year group. Awarded at the summer presentation evening.

SPORTS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



Awarded to students for outstanding sporting achievement in their year group.

Awarded at the summer presentation evening.

HOUSE AWARD



Awarded to students who have shown outstanding contribution to House events during the academic year

Awarded at the summer presentation evening.



Leadership Badges at Stanborough

PREFECT BADGE



For students in Year 11 who apply to become a prefect.

SCHOOL COUNCIL BADGE



Students from each tutor group are selected by the form tutor to represent students in their tutor group.

YEAR COUNCIL BADGE



Tutor groups elect two representatives to serve on the Council for their year

AMBASSADOR BADGE



For students who volunteer to be an ambassador in the Culture and Change or LGBTQ+ groups.

HEAD OF SCHOOL BADGE



For Year 13 students who are selected to be Heads of School.

DEPUTY HEAD OF SCHOOL BADGE



For Year 13 students who are selected to be Deputy Heads of School.

Considering being a teacher?

Mr Green, Assistant Headteacher, writes:

If you want to know more about becoming a teacher, register for this event being held at the University of Hertfordshire.

Social Media @ Stanborough

Follow us on X, Facebook and Instagram to see all our news, events, updates and student successes

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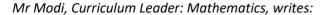






Question of the Week

Mathematics





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Solve one of the following to earn a GOLD Award

Deadline: 29.01.25

Submit your entry by email (smodi@stanborough.herts.sch.uk) or on paper (Maths office)

Answers from last week: Higher – 3: 4 and 5: 2 Foundation – 2: 6: 5, 2/13, 1: 10

Higher GCSE Question

Logan invests £200 in a savings account for 2 years.

The account pays compound interest at an annual rate of

- 3.3% for the first year and
- 1.5% for the second year
- (a) Work out the total amount of money in Logan's account at the end of 2 years.

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Logan travels to work by train.

The cost of his weekly train ticket increases by 12.5% to £225

Logan's weekly pay increases by 5% to £535.50

(b) Compare the increase in the amount of money Logan has to pay for his weekly train ticket with the increase in his weekly pay.

Foundation GCSE Question

Tami buys a house with a value of £150 000

The value of Tami's house increases by 4% each year.

Honor buys a house with a value of £160 000

The value of Honor's house increases by 1.5% each year.

At the end of 2 years, whose house has the greater value?

You must show how you get your answer.

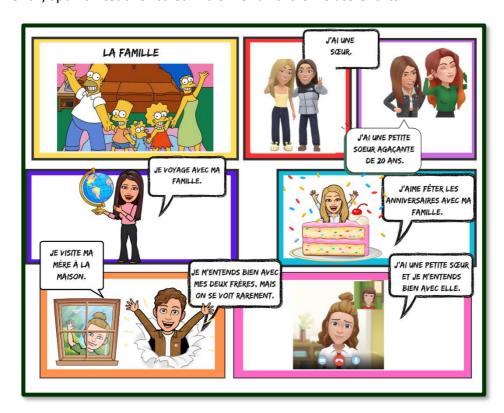
MFL Cartoon Strip

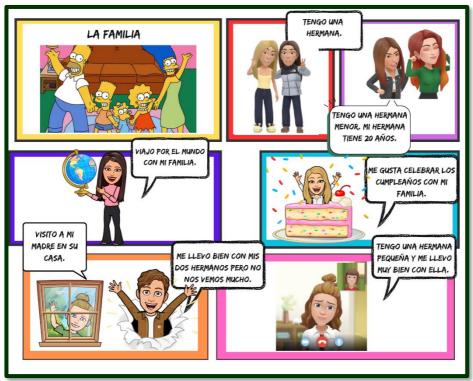
Miss Abbott, Second in MFL, writes:

This week, the MFL department are talking about family and what they do with them.



Read the comic strip aloud, in the language which you study, and email the recording to your French/Spanish teacher to earn a Silver award on Class Charts.





Spring Term Courses 2025

Understanding Anxiety in Children 2-session course:

Thursdays 6th & 13th March

9:30-11:30am

Howe Dell Primary School

Who's in Charge? 8 week course - mornings:

Thursdays 6th February - 3rd April

9:30-11:30am

St Philip Howard Catholic School

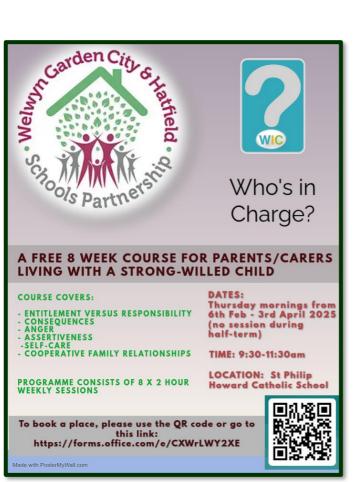
Who's in Charge? 8 week course - evenings:

Wednesdays 5th February - 2nd April

18:30-20:30

Ridgeway Academy







Understanding my Autism and ADHD - February course with places available

Understanding my Autism and ADHD (delivered by Autism Oxford) is a free virtual service designed to support children and young people aged 7-16 in Hertfordshire who may be autistic or ADHD as well as those with a confirmed diagnosis.

There are places available on the following 10 week courses:

- Weekly sessions for children aged 11-16 on Thursdays 7pm-8pm running 6th February – 10th April
- Weekly sessions for children aged 7-10 on Mondays 4pm-5pm running from 3rd February – 7th April.







Clubs and Activities Spring Term 2025

We are very pleased to be able to offer students a variety of extra-curricular clubs and activities and encourage students to take part in at least two extra-curricular activities a week.

Lunch Time

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Location	Member of staff responsible
Monday	Young Carers Group (invite only)	Year 7 - 11	G6	Mrs Stratton
	Culture & Change Society	All Years	G1	Miss Davies & Mr Torindo
Tuesday	KS3 French	KS3 A	G17	Jeanne
	Language Leaders (invite only)	Year 7	G19	Miss Abbott
Wednesday	Concert Band (Woodwind & Brass)	All Years	MD4	Miss Naylor
	Guitar Club	All Years	P1	Mr Hartley
Thursday	Ukulele Club	All Years	P1	Mr Hartley
	Music Theory Club	All Years	MD3	Miss Naylor
	KS3 Spanish	KS3	G17	Julia
	LGBTQ+ Group	All Years	G22	ТВС
	Script Writing Club	Year 9+	C4	Mrs Buist
	Geography Club	KS3	F10	Mrs MacDonald & Sixth Form Ambassadors
Friday	KS3 Art Club	KS3	A1	Miss Hagan
	Discover Club	All Years	MR2	Beth Ann
	Music Technology Club	Year 10 & 11	MD3	Miss Naylor
	KS3 French	KS3 B	G17	Jeanne

After School

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time	Location	Member of staff responsible
Monday	Chorus	All Years	3-4pm	MD3	Miss Naylor & Mr Mollison
	Self-Defence Club *	All Years	3.30-4.30pm	Gym	Mr Fanning
	Geography Documentaries Club	All Years	3-4pm	F18	Miss Andrews
Tuesday	Nature & Eco Club	All Years	3-4.15pm	Meet in S10	Dr Jolly
	History Film Club	All Years	3-3.50pm	F15	Miss Browne
	Keyboard Club	Year 7 - 9	3-4pm	MD2	Mr Mollison
	Robot Rumble & VEX Club	By invitation	3-5pm	C1	MBDA Ambassadors & Mr Brown
	Lego Robotics Club	All Years	3.15-4.15pm	C1/C5	Mr Brown
Wednesday	School Production	All Years	3-4pm	MD1	Miss Naylor & Mr Jones
	Astronomy Club	All Years	3-4pm	S02	Mr Hughes
Thursday	Sound and Light Team	All Years	3-4pm	MD2	Mr Mollison
	Chess Club	All Years	3-4pm	LRC	Miss Wilson
Friday	Maths Enrichment	All Years	3.30-4.30pm	С3	Mrs Coldwell
	Debate Club	All Years	3-4.30pm	F16	Mr Collinson
	Coding Club	All Years	3.15-4.15pm	C1	Mr Brown

^{*} If you would like to join self-defence club please complete the application form and return to Mr Fanning ttps://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Stanborough-Self-Defence-club-information-and-oplication-form-0924CF.pdf

Stanborough School PE Department - Extra Curricular Clubs Half Term 1

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

	Afterschool (3.00-4.15pm)	Year	Location	Teacher in charge
Monday	Basketball	Year 7	Sports Hall	Mr Minion & Mr Walker
	Basketball	Year 7 - 10	Sports Hall	Mr Harris
Tuesday	Netball (until Feb half term)	Year 8-11	Sports Hall	Mrs Harris, Miss Newman & Miss Novelli
	Breakdancing Club	All Years	Gym	Mr Martinelli
	Volleyball	Year 11 & 6 th Form	Sports Hall	Mr Foster & Mr Harris
Wednesday	Table Tennis	All Years	3-4pm	Mr Woodward
,	Girls Football	All Years	Sports Hall & Field	Miss Novelli, Mr Walker & Miss Newman
Thursday	Volleyball	Year 9 &10	Sports Hall	Mr Minion, Mr Harris & Mr Foster
	Netball (until Feb half term)	Year 7	Sports Hall	Ms Cheal
	Table Tennis	All Years	Gym	Mr Hughes
Friday	No Clubs		'	

We have made some changes to our extra-curricular clubs.

On a Monday it will be Year 7 basketball training instead of Year 7 football training On a Thursday it will be Year 9 and 10 volleyball club instead of Year 8/9/10 football.

Please note: Fixtures/Interhouse events will take priority over training. Poor weather conditions may also affect the running of extra curriculum clubs.

Homework Support, Study & Catch-up Sessions

Homework club is for any students in the year group who would like to complete homework in a school computer room after school. Homework club will run from 3-4pm on the relevant day.

Year	Day	Time	Room	Staff Member
Year 7	Wednesday	3-4pm	C3	Mrs Stratton, Miss Martins
Year 7 -11	Monday, Tuesday & Thursday	3-4pm	C2	Miss Martins

Subject	Year Group	Day	Time	Location	Staff Member
	KS4 & KS5	Monday	3-4pm	A6	Ms Saalinki
Art Catch-up	KS4	Monday	3-4pm	A5 / A1	Mrs Butterworth / Miss Hagan
Music GCSE Drop-in	Year 10 & 11 Music Students	Monday	1.30-2pm	MD3	Miss Naylor
Spanish Support	KS4	Monday	3-4pm	G19	Miss Abbott
KS3 Maths	Year 7, 8 & 9	Monday	1.20-2pm	G9	Mr McEwan
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3D Catch-up	KS4	Monday	3-4pm	A4	Mr Beevor
Hospitality & Catering Catch-up	KS4	Monday	3-4pm	A1	Miss Hagan
Business (invite only)	Year 10 & 11	Wednesday	1.20-2pm	C10	Business Staff
Maths Revision KS5	Year 12/13	Wednesday	12.20-2pm	C8	Mrs Coldwell
3D Catch-up	KS3/KS4	Thursday	3-4pm	A4	Mr Beevor
MFL Homework Club	All Years	Thursday	3-4pm	G19	Miss Abbott
Maths Revision KS5	Year 12/13	Friday	1.20-2pm	G7	Mrs Coldwell
3D Catch-up	KS3	Friday	1.20-2pm	A4	Mr Beevor

Spring Term Clubs and Activities Booklet