

Stanborough



## Mathematics & Computing Academy

Headteacher: Mrs M John

March 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we are approaching the end of the first term, I would like to share with you important information about the Year 8 exams.

Exams will run from 27.04.2026 – 08.05.2026, please see the attached timetable for each teaching group. The three science subjects will be tested in two separate papers, each paper testing what students have studied in all three sciences. Paper 1 will focus on short answer responses while Paper 2 will ask for more extended answers.

This is an ideal time for us to formally assess students on what they have studied in terms 1 and 2 and ensure support is provided to students in their transition to Year 9, when they will select their option subjects for GCSE.

These exams will be taken in normal lessons under formal exam conditions. This is to provide the opportunity for students to become acquainted with the rules and expectations of public exams.

Students will be preparing for these exams in lesson, during tutor time but also during regular, independent study time at home. Students are encouraged to incorporate a revision timetable into the homework timetable.

In terms of revision materials, I suggest the following:

- Memrise, Duolingo, Linguascope for French/Spanish
- Mathswatch/SparxMaths for Maths
- Reading a range of books and newspaper articles for English
- BBC Bitesize website (<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z4kw2hv>) which has a range of subject information, tasks and revision quizzes to prepare students for the remaining subjects.

Please note that students will not be provided with specific topic revision lists. Students are tested on all the topics studied between September 2025 and April 2026. A copy of the curriculum map and learning journey for each subject, which list all topics studied and in which order, is available on our website: <https://stanborough.herts.sch.uk/subjects/>.

Results of these exams will be formally shared in the Progress Update 3 report at the end of the academic year, although teachers will share results with students prior to this in lessons, once all exams for a subject have been marked and moderated.

We recognise that the exam period can be worrying and stressful for students and your child's wellbeing is our main priority. Please contact your child's tutor or year team if you have any concerns.

I hope these exams will be a valuable experience for your child and I wish them every success.

Yours faithfully,

Mr G Persand  
Deputy Headteacher

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**YEAR 8 EXAM TIMETABLE FOR ALL TEACHING GROUPS**

**8x1**

	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
<b>1</b>								IT		
<b>2</b>		Maths							English	
<b>3</b>				Geography	Art		Drama			Science Paper 2
<b>4</b>	Science Paper 1							RPE		
<b>5</b>		French	History							
	27.4.26	28.4.26	29.4.26	30.4.26	1.5.26	BH	5.5.26	6.5.26	7.5.26	8.5.26

**8x2**

	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
<b>1</b>		Drama						Art		
<b>2</b>	Maths									History
<b>3</b>				French			IT			
<b>4</b>			Science Paper 1		English				RPE	
<b>5</b>		Geography						Science Paper 2		
	27.4.26	28.4.26	29.4.26	30.4.26	1.5.26	BH	5.5.26	6.5.26	7.5.26	8.5.26

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**8x3**

	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
1			IT							
2	Maths				Spanish		Geography			
3				English						
4		Science Paper 1							History	RPE
5			Drama		Art			Science Paper 1		
	27.4.26	28.4.26	29.4.26	30.4.26	1.5.26	BH	5.5.26	6.5.26	7.5.26	8.5.26

**8y1**

	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
1		Art			English			Science Paper 2		History
2				RPE			IT		Geography	
3	Maths		Science Paper 1							
4										
5				Drama			French			
	27.4.26	28.4.26	29.4.26	30.4.26	1.5.26	BH	5.5.26	6.5.26	7.5.26	8.5.26

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**8y2**

	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
1										Science Paper 2
2										
3	Maths	RPE		Art					Drama	
4					Geography					
5		Spanish	Science Paper 1	English			History	IT		
	27.4.26	28.4.26	29.4.26	30.4.26	1.5.26	BH	5.5.26	6.5.26	7.5.26	8.5.26

**8y3**

	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
1				Science Paper 1	Art					
2		Spanish					History	IT	Science Paper 2	English
3	Maths		Drama							
4					Geography					
5			RPE							
	27.4.26	28.4.26	29.4.26	30.4.26	1.5.26	BH	5.5.26	6.5.26	7.5.26	8.5.26

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**8z1**

	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
1		Maths						Science Paper 2	Drama	English
2	History									
3		RPE	Science Paper 1	Geography	French		IT			
4									Art	
5										
	27.4.26	28.4.26	29.4.26	30.4.26	1.5.26	BH	5.5.26	6.5.26	7.5.26	8.5.26

**8z2**

	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
1	Science Paper 1	Maths								
2									RPE	
3					English		Science Paper 2			
4			IT	Art				Drama		Spanish
5	History								Geography	
	27.4.26	28.4.26	29.4.26	30.4.26	1.5.26	BH	5.5.26	6.5.26	7.5.26	8.5.26

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**8z3**

	A Mon	A Tue	A Wed	A Thu	A Fri	B Mon	B Tue	B Wed	B Thu	B Fri
1		Maths		IT					RPE	
2	Science Paper 1							Science Paper 2		English
3			Art		Spanish		Geography			
4										
5	Drama								History	
	27.4.26	28.4.26	29.4.26	30.4.26	1.5.26	BH	5.5.26	6.5.26	7.5.26	8.5.26

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