



Stanhope Primary and Nursery School
Creating a Love of Learning for Life.

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well.

We have had a busy and enjoyable week of learning across the school. The children have demonstrated great maturity in following the Stanhope Way. We passionately believe that we must teach the children the school rules and not simply expect them to know what they mean. To support this, staff are using the shared language of 'Fantastic Walking – be safe' and 'Fantastic Listening – be your best self' to ensure children receive the recognition and praise they deserve for their excellent attitude to learning. We are so proud of the dedication they've shown!

I also want to extend my thanks to those of you who have completed the survey about communication. As a school, it is vitally important that we have clear and swift communication systems in place—not only to provide clarity around school events and key messages but also to share the learning experiences of children across the school. Over the next week, I will review the feedback from this survey and outline a plan moving forward, addressing specific points with clear actions.

Lastly, I must celebrate how wonderfully the children have been coming into school each morning. Their huge smiles and polite manners have been a joy to see, and their excellent behaviour is something we are incredibly proud of.

Thank you once again for your continued support. Your involvement plays an essential role in the success of our school, and we greatly value your feedback and encouragement.

The Stanhope Way – School Rules



Be kind



Be safe



Be your best self



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PE at Stanhope

At the end of this half term, our contract with Mr. Wooley comes to an end and will be leaving Stanhope. We want to take this opportunity to thank him for his dedication and contributions to PE at our school. We wish him all the best for the future.

Looking ahead, we are excited to announce that Stanhope will be partnering with Next Level Sports, a great team of coaches already working with many schools within our trust. Next Level Sports will deliver high-quality PE sessions across several year groups, following the national curriculum and introducing a wide variety of activities. We are also committed to increasing girls' participation in sports, in line with recent initiatives by Sport England. Updates on this strategy will be shared as it develops.

In addition to PE lessons, Next Level Sports will provide two after-school clubs and two lunchtime clubs, giving our children a fantastic range of extra sporting opportunities. Further details about these clubs will be shared shortly. They will also work with the school to make sure Stanhope is part of the Gedling Intersport competitions with the other local schools and work towards the National Sports Mark Award for excellence in PE education.

Miss Downer

We are delighted to announce that Miss Downer is pregnant and expecting a baby boy in April.

Miss Messom and I are interviewing for a maternity cover class teacher over the next week. Once we have appointed someone to this role, we will let you know and ensure there is an opportunity for Pine Class to come and meet the teacher alongside Miss Downer.

Have a lovely weekend ahead and thank you for your continued support.

Mr White and Miss Messom