

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

After some very hot weeks in this summer term, we have reached the end of the academic year and it has been lovely to see so many events happening in this last week which have been full of fun and reflections on so much growing and learning which has happened over the past year. We had a super **Nursery Sports morning and picnic** on Tuesday and a big thank you the Miss Mason and Mr Sanders for leading the event. It was fantastic to have so many parents supporting us and enjoying a Nursery picnic later in the morning!



We then had a lovely **"Reception Graduation"** on Wednesday and a big thank you to Miss Downer and Mrs Ahern for leading this celebration of our children as they move on from EYFS. We were incredibly proud of the children as they received their graduation scrolls dressed in cap and gown! We then had our Year 6 signing shirts and Y6 Leavers Disco on Wednesday and Leavers Assembly today, after which current pupils "clapped out" the Y6 children in celebration of their achievements. Thank you to all of our parents who have supported these end of year events and **we wish all the children who are leaving Stanhope today the very best of luck in the future!** We also say goodbye and good luck to Mr Ghafoor and Mrs Shaw today. We thank them for all their commitment to Stanhope whilst they have been at the school.



We hope you have a safe and happy summer whatever you are doing with family and friends and will look forward to welcoming children back to school for 26-27 on **Thursday 3rd September 2026.**

Best Wishes, Mrs Bridges.

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**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

ATTENDANCE UPDATE:

As a school we will continue to focus on exceptional attendance as this is essential for children to make the best progress. As a whole school, we have a target for the year of **97%**.

Class	This Week	This Year
Reception (Acorns)	94%	94%
Year 1 (Elm)	98%	96%
Year 2 (Chestnut)	96%	96%
Year 3 and 4 (Pine)	94%	97%
Year 3 and 4 (Maple)	99%	96%
Year 3 and 4 (Cedar)	99%	95%
Year 5 (Willow)	88%	96%
Year 5 (Sycamore)	96%	93%
Year 6 (Hazel)	96%	94%
Year 6 (Oak)	90%	92%

At and Above School Attendance Target	97% +
Below Target and Attendance causing concern	95% -
Serious Attendance Concern: Persistent Absence	90%-
Whole School Target	97%
Actual Whole School 25-26 Attendance	94.9%



Huge congratulations to the children who will receive a 100% attendance postcard at the end of this academic year!

Also—last reminder to sign up for the summer reading challenge!

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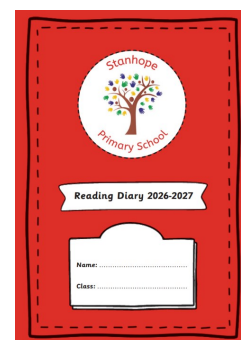
Lots to look forward to at Stanhope in 2026-27!

We want your child to **be safe, happy and feel comfortable in school.**

We want your child to thrive socially, academically and achieve well.

We want your child to feel part of our school community and that **they belong.**

We will be pleased next year (26-27) to continue developing our curriculum vision "Creating a love of learning for LIFE" and sharing curriculum outcomes with parents. We will look forward to developing the use of our school site for children to play, grow and cook! We also can't wait to share with you our new Reading Diaries from September and support children build a love of reading across a wide range of texts. Lastly, we look forward to embedding further our One Life daily routine supporting children in their personal development. A big thank you to our parent community supporting us in these ambitions and the staff team at Stanhope who are working hard to put plans into place to ensure your child is well care for and well supported.



ONE LIFE

PHYSICAL FITNESS | SOCIAL FITNESS | MENTAL FITNESS



PHYSICAL FITNESS



SOCIAL FITNESS



MENTAL FITNESS

Our Curriculum at Stanhope... Creating a love of learning for **LIFE!**



Language
Driven



Inclusive and
Diverse



Fuels
Ambition
(Best Self..)



Empowered by
Knowledge

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KEY DATES:

Back to school	Thursday 3rd September 2026 (all pupils from Nursery to Year 6)
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[2026—2027 Holiday and term dates can be found here.](#) Please do note that we are seeing an increase of children being absent during the Summer term with time taken for holidays. We have no choice but to carry out fines for unauthorised holidays taken during term time.

Be Kind



We show our kindness through words and actions **"Fantastic Manners!"**

We treat others with respect, empathy and compassion.

We celebrate differences and support one another to feel valued and included.

Fantastic Manners!

Be Safe



We look after ourselves, others, and our environment.

We make thoughtful choices that help everyone feel secure, heard and cared for.

We create a calm, consistent space where children are free to take risks in their learning and grow in confidence.

Fantastic Walking!

Be Your Best Self!



We try our hardest and take **pride** in everything we do.

We set **high expectations** for ourselves and support others to do the same.

We embrace **challenges**, learn from mistakes and strive to be the best version of ourselves: academically, socially and emotionally.

Fantastic Listening!

As part of our "Be Safe" Stanhope Way value, we talk about **looking after ourselves, others and our environment**. **Looking after our school environment and our equipment** will be a focus for children as we start back in September. We will be having lots of improved areas and we want children to know how to care for and look after these areas and our equipment so that it is respected and a sustainable environment for us to build on and all children can enjoy.



Goodbye Summer Term 2026 from FOSS!

This school year has been incredible, thanks to all of you and the amazing community we continue to build at Stanhope.

We've danced, got crafty, welcomed new members and volunteers to FOSS, and stayed committed to raising funds for the children of Stanhope.

As this school year comes to an end, we will also be saying goodbye to Claire, who has led FOSS for the last couple of years. She has been at the heart of FOSS, giving her all, and has shared her knowledge with the rest of the team to continue her fantastic work. Everyone at FOSS is sending her so much love and well wishes for her new adventures! We know she'll be amazing at everything she puts her heart and mind to.



With these changes, we'll be reintroducing ourselves to you in September. We're looking forward to another year of fun and can't wait to have you along for the ride!

To our school leavers, we wish you all the very best for the future and for becoming the wonderful people you're destined to be.

As always, thank you, and we'll see you in September!

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