

NEWSLETTER

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28.02.25

A MESSAGE FROM STANHOPE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! It has been wonderful to see the weather improving as we return for the second half of our spring term. We have thoroughly enjoyed welcoming the children back into school and re-establishing our Stanhope Way culture. I apologise in advance for the length of the newsletter this week, but wanted to provide some clarity on some of the areas and actions we promised before the half term break.

This week, our Year 5 and 6 pupils had their first sessions with Next Level Sports, marking the start of an exciting half term of PE. It has been fantastic to take our learning outdoors, with a focus on developing skills and understanding in Handball.

In addition, we have launched our Children's Parliament work in collaboration with our Flying High Partnership friends. The children have begun shaping the criteria for the upcoming Flying High Awards, an exciting initiative that will unfold later this year.

Looking ahead, we are pleased to invite you to our Parent and Carer Consultations next week. This is a valuable opportunity to meet with class staff, discuss your child's progress, and explore the support in place to ensure their continued growth and success. Meetings will take place in the Upper School Main Hall, with staff on hand at the entrance to welcome you. Please contact your class teacher on Dojo to organise a time.

Thank you for your ongoing support. We hope you have a lovely weekend!

Mr. White & Miss Messom



THE STANHOPE WAY

OUR SCHOOL RULES



Be kind



Be safe



Be your best self



WE ARE FLYING HIGH
Together we will create **unique, exceptional** and **sustainable** schools that inspire communities and empower children.



Flying High Partnership

Together we make every day count

VALUES

Our schools will be:

Unique

- Child centred
- Context informed

Exceptional

- High standards
- Continuous improvement

Sustainable

- Developing people
- Empowering ownership



CULTURE

Our adults will demonstrate:

Unique

- Care
- Trust
- Humility
- Aspiration

Exceptional

- Commitment
- Curiosity
- Desire for feedback
- Desire to improve

Sustainable

- Enablement
- Resilience
- Responsibility
- Solution focused mindset



CHARACTER

Our children will demonstrate:

Unique

- Aspiration
- Kindness
- Effective Communication

Exceptional

- Confidence
- Pride
- Curiosity

Sustainable

- Responsibility
- Resilience
- Problem Solving



ATTENDANCE



**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Here is our weekly attendance update. Well done to **Fir and Pine** who have achieved the best overall attendance this week.

As a school, we strive to ensure our weekly attendance is at least 97%. Your support in this is vital.

Year Group	Weekly Attendance
Reception (Acorns)	92%
Year 1 (Elm)	96%
Year 2 (Fir)	97%
Year 2 (Chesnut)	95%
Year 3 and 4 (Pine)	97%
Year 3 and 4 (Maple)	91%
Year 3 and 4 (Cedar)	94%
Year 5 (Willow)	94%
Year 5 (Sycamore)	93%
Year 6 (Oak)	91%
Whole School	95%

Key Updates



Trips

We have started to pull together details of trips across school between now and the end of the year. As previously mentioned, we wanted to ensure every class has the opportunity to at least one out of school experience each year. These details have been added to the dairy dates section. Further details regarding payment information will come out from the main office shortly.

World Book Day – Thursday 6th March 2025

We are excited to celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 6th March! Children are invited to wear their comfy pyjamas for the day so they are ready to spend the day immersed in the wonderful world of books and stories. Children are welcome to bring in their favourite book from home and share these with their peers and staff across school. Additionally, children in KS2 will have the opportunity to take part in a virtual author workshop with SF Said, the author of Varjak Paw and Tyger.

Exciting News – Stanhope Stars Celebration!

Starting next week, we will be hosting our Stanhope Stars every Friday afternoon! As part of this, we warmly welcome any out-of-school achievements to be shared with us so we can celebrate them together as a school and with our wider school community. This could include anything from music certificates to sports awards. If your child has an achievement they'd like to share, they can bring it in and hand it to their class teacher on Friday morning. We will then celebrate these achievements collectively during our Stanhope Stars assembly.

Additionally, if your child is selected to receive a Stanhope Star certificate, you will receive a text message on Thursday inviting you to attend the assembly and celebrate with them. We understand this is short notice, but we wanted to provide this special opportunity for you to be part of your child's success.

Our first Stanhope Stars celebration will take place on **Friday, 7th March**. We look forward to sharing and celebrating the amazing achievements of our wonderful children.



Communication Promise



As discussed before half term. Miss Messom and I have been working on a communication promise to ensure consistency in the type of communication the school shares and how this is shared.

We have discussed this as a staffing team and have agreed this will begin next week.

Class Dojo

Year Group	Communication
Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Weekly newsletter of key learning and phonics sounds• Minimum of 2 learning posts shared throughout the week• Any key messages on updates, trips, activities in your child's specific class
Year 3, 4, 5 and 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Half termly newsletter of key learning coming up• Minimum of 3 learning posts shared throughout the week• Any key messages on updates, trips, activities in your child's specific class
Whole School	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Share learning and activities from across all year groups. This allows parents and carers to see the amazing learning across school.• Weekly Stanhope Stars and out of school achievements shared



Communication Promise



ParentMail Communication

We will use the ParentMail App to share the following important updates:

- Weekly Newsletter – Sent every Friday from the Senior Leadership Team (SLT), this will include key messages and whole-school updates. By centralising information in one place, we aim to keep communication clear and efficient.
- Injury Slips – If your child is injured at school, a bump note will be sent to you via ParentMail. In the case of a head injury, you will receive a phone call immediately, followed by the bump note.
- School Messages – This may include updates on clubs or community offers. Where possible, we will minimise individual messages and instead include relevant information in the Weekly Newsletter.

Home Support

As part of our communication approach, we kindly ask for your support at home:

- Class Dojo will remain in use for clear and timely communication between staff and parents. Please note that staff will only access Class Dojo during their working hours, so messages may not be seen or responded to immediately.
- If you need to raise a concern or request additional support from your child's teacher, please contact the main office. Your message will be passed on, and the teacher will get in touch with you as soon as possible.

We want to ensure that communication is effective, sustainable, and that you receive all key school updates while also celebrating the fantastic learning happening in your child's classroom each week.

Thank you for your support!



Diary Dates



Key Dates and Events		
Date	Event	Year Group
24.02.25	INSET Day - School Closed	Whole School
04.03.25 - 05.03.25	Parent and Carer Consultations	Reception to Year 6
06.03.25	World Book Day	Whole School
23.04.25	Class Photos	Whole School
24.04.25	Stay and Play	Nursery
24.04.25	TRIP - White Post Farm	Year 1
28.04.25	TRIP - Twycross Zoo - Rainforest Event	Year 5
01.05.25	FOSS Disco	KS1 and KS2
W.C. 12.05.25	KS2 SATs	Year 6
02.06.25	INSET Day - School Closed	Whole School
W.C. 09.06.25	Phonics Screening Check	Year 1



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Key Dates and Events		
Date	Event	Year Group
W.C. 09.06.25	Multiplication Check	Year 4
16.06.25	TRIP - National Holocaust Centre	Year 6
20.06.25	Sports Day	Reception to Year 6
26.06.25	TRIP - Chatsworth House	Year 3 and 4
26.06.25	TRIP - Yorkshire Wildlife Park	Year 2
04..07.25	FOSS Breaking the Rules Day	Whole School
14.07.25-16.07.25	Residential	Year 6
18.07.25	Afternoon Tea and Picnic	Reception to Year 6
24.07.25	End of Year Production	Year 6
25.07.25	End of Year Celebration	Year 6
25.07.25	Last Day of the School Year	Whole School



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