

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very busy week across Stanhope this week! All children (Y1—Y6) have completed end of Spring Term assessments in Maths, Reading and Writing in order to inform planning for the Summer term. We have been incredibly pleased to welcome parents into Year 1 this week for them to observe a **Little Wandle Phonics** lesson: we hope you found it useful! We also had a super **Stay and Play in Acorns** on Tuesday so that parents could meet Miss Downer who will be returning from maternity leave after Easter as class teacher. Our Little Conkers and Acorns children then had a fantastic trip to **White Post Farm** on Monday and we were very lucky with the weather and the great group of parent volunteers who supported us! Thanks to them and the staff for ensuring children had a great day and returned tired out!



Wednesday afternoon saw our **Y6 Boys Football team** play with resilience and tenacity against Arnold View and we thank all the parents who came to support alongside Mrs Wright who refereed the match and Miss Parker who was coach! Yesterday, Year 2 Chestnut class have been out to **Gedling Library** and have had a great time exploring the books on offer. Reception will go next week and other year groups will attend the library in the Summer term.



It was also great to see our **Art work on display at Carlton Academy** this week and thank you to all the parents who came to take a look on Monday at the opening of the exhibition. We are looking forward to welcoming parents into school next week for **Parent Consultation Evening** on Tuesday and Wednesday.

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%**. Each week, we will share class attendance during our Stanhope Stars assembly and when a class reaches 9 weeks of achieving 97% attendance, they will be rewarded.

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

At and Above School Attendance Target	97% +
Below Target and Attendance causing	95% -
Serious Attendance Concern: Persistent Absence	90%-

Whole School Target	97%
Actual Whole School Weekly Attendance	95%



Carlton Academy Art Exhibition "Eco Artist" opened on Monday!



Acorns Stay & Play on Tuesday this week!

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Parent Consultation Evening (Tuesday 24th March and Wednesday 25th March)

We very much want to work with parents to ensure your child has a happy time at school with the support to make fantastic progress in their learning. Spring Term Parent and Guardian Consultations are fast approaching... If you're struggling to book slots on Arbor, please email the office with your day/time preference and Miss Evans can schedule it in for you.

Easter Menu- Thursday 26th March
















We have an Easter themed Menu next Thursday *menu attached* Please contact the office for a full allergen breakdown chart.

Easter Chick Sales!

Stanhope sold a whopping 200 eggs this year, totalling £300 for the Nottingham Breast Cancer Support Group! Fantastic efforts from everyone! Thank you to all in our school community who bought an egg in a chick!

KS2 TTRockstars Battles!

There are quite a few battles at play at the minute on TTRockstars! Please do encourage your child to get involved!

 Year 3 and 4 weekly showdown CREATED BY: Mr Imran Ghafoor	IN PLAY	ENDS 26 MAR 26 - 00:10	  
 Cedar 2025-2026 56	Maple 38	Pine 2025-26 12	
 Oak vs Hazel Rockathon CREATED BY: Miss Danielle McIver	IN PLAY	ENDS 26 MAR 26 - 18:00	  
 Hazel 2025-2026 23	Oak 2025-2026 20		
 Y5 pupils v Teachers CREATED BY: Miss Georgie Parker	IN PLAY	ENDS 27 MAR 26 - 08:30	  
 Year 5 1	Teachers 0		



Acting DHT from April 2026: Mrs Wright!

I am really pleased to share with the school community that from the Summer term; **Mrs Wright** will take on the Acting **Deputy Headteacher position** at Stanhope Primary School. Mrs Wright has been at Stanhope since 2019 and most recently will be known to many parents as our SENDCO. Mrs Wright's teaching commitment in Year 6 will continue throughout this academic year and I will look forward to working with her and Miss Martin, alongside a committed staff team to continue the improvement journey of our school—taking on board pupil voice and parent / staff feedback as we move forward.




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Flying High Partnership

KEY DATES:

Friday 20th March		Comic Relief (Red Nose Day 2026) Wear anything red (non uniform)! (This can be as simple as a red pair of socks or a red hair band to a red t-shirt etc!)	Bring in a suggested £1 to support! Whole School
Tuesday 24th March		Reception Visit Gedling Library	Reception (F2)
Tuesday 24 th March 2026		Parent and Carer Consultations (Upper School) Nursery Stay and Play 3:15—4:15	Whole School
Wednesday 25 th March 2026		Parents and Carer Consultations (Upper School) Nursery Stay and Play 3:15—4:15	Whole School
Friday 27th March 2026		Rocksteady Concert (9:30—10:30)	Rocksteady parents have been invited
Friday 27th March 2026		Break up for Easter Holidays	Whole School
Monday 30 th March 2026 – Friday 10 th April		Easter Holidays	Whole School including Nursery
Monday 13th April		Children return to school	Whole School including Nursery
Tuesday 14th April		Year 2 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park	Year 2
Friday 17th April		“Break the Rules” day FOSS Fundraiser (Information will follow next week)	Whole School including Nursery
Wednesday 22nd April		Stanhope Class Photos	Whole School
Thursday 23rd April		KS1 Cross Country event at Robert Mellors	X24 chn across Y1 and Y2
Monday 4th May		Bank Holiday Monday (School closed)	
WB Monday 16th May		KS2 SATS Week (Y6 children must be in school on time during this week please.)	Year 6
Friday 15th May		FOSS May Summer Disco (more information will follow)	Reception to Y6
Thursday 21st May		Year 5 Partnership Afternoon 2:15—3:15pm	Year 5
Monday 1st June		INSET Day (School closed to all pupils)	Whole School

[2026—2027 Term Dates](#) can be found here from our School Website