

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been great to welcome so many parents into school for our **Spring Term Parents Consultation Evening**. Thank you for coming and talking to staff about the progress your child is making in their learning and **Care Plans / SEND support plans** where relevant. Thank you also to Elif, Bella and Heja who made £43.00 towards our new projector by selling bracelets on both evenings! This week, we had Reception visit **Gedling Library** on Tuesday morning. We also were pleased to welcome in the **Mental Health Support Team** on Thursday to talk to our Year 5 children about Friendships and how we can sustain good friendships. Thank you to those parents who came into Year 1 on Thursday to talk to Miss Palmer about the **Phonics Screen** Check coming up in June and also parents who supported our Year 6 Football team play at Mapperley Plains on Thursday.

We had a great time at our termly **Rocksteady Concert** today and we hope you and your families have a lovely Easter break when it arrives. We will look forward to the start of the Summer term starting on **Monday 13th April** and will be excited to start our **Summer Term Enquiry learning** answering the questions below.

Nursery	How can we tell a story?
Reception	What can we do with our imagination?
Year 1	How do we express ourselves?
Year 2	What makes something worth capturing?
Year 3/4	How do we show what matters in our society?
Year 5	What shapes the way we see the world around us?
Year 6	How can I leave a legacy?

We have also celebrated and said farewell and good luck to **Miss Messom** today who leaves Stanhope after many years. Thank you to Miss Messom for all she has done for the school and we wish her all the very best for the future. Miss Scott is also transferring to Candleby Lane Cotgrave from April and we wish her all the best in her new post,

Best Wishes, Mrs Bridges.



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ONE LIFE at Stanhope

Thank you to those parents who dropped in to our **One Life** activities at Parents Consultation Evening in the Upper Hall. You will know that Stanhope has taken on the One Life Personal Development Programme which Miss Vernon leads on across school since 2025. The One Life Programme focusses on physical, social and mental skills which will support all children be their best selves in life.

Stanhope began introducing the One Life morning routine in the Summer term last year:

- a personal “Meet and Greet”
- practice self-reflection through journaling
- practice building a positive mindset through affirmations
- practice reducing stress levels through a ‘mindful minute’.

Since the Autumn term, classes across the school have been starting to teach One Life PSHE lessons linked to the themes in this table.

We want to share more with parents about our One Life programme and why we think it will be a great offer to support pupils at Stanhope. There will be two workshops run later in the Summer Term so parents have time to learn more about the programme, resources and ask any questions.



	One Life Theme
Aut 1	Self-Awareness
Aut 2	Response System
Spr 1	Bouncing Back
Spr 2	Compassion
Summer 1	Power of Now
Summer 2	Doing and Being



The One Life programme has been designed by schools in the North of England. You can learn more about the aims of the programme by using the QR code or [clicking on this link for a short video](#).



FOSS Newsletter — UPDATE —

Hello from FOSS!

Spring is in the air! As the sunshine returns, you might be thinking about a bit of spring cleaning. If so, we'd love to take any **donations** that could be used at our upcoming events, including prizes for the Summer Fayre raffle. Donations can be dropped off at the school office or given to your child's class teacher if that is more appropriate.

Many of you will have heard that Miss Messom will be leaving Stanhope at the end of this month. This means FOSS will be saying goodbye to one of our longest-standing supporters. We'd like to say a huge thank you for everything she has done for FOSS over the years and wish her all the very best in her new role.

We'd also like to warmly welcome Mrs Vernon, who will be stepping in as our school support member for FOSS. We're really looking forward to the ideas she'll bring and hope you'll enjoy seeing her at FOSS events too!

Congratulations to the winner of today's FOSS easter raffle, and thank you to all who entered.

Thanks again for your continued support and wish you all a lovely break, FOSS!



FOSS reminder:

- Break the Rules day **Friday 17th April 2026.**

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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) ★	97%	95%
Year 1 (Elm) ★	97%	97%
Year 2 (Chestnut)	95%	95%
Year 3 and 4 (Pine)	95%	97%
Year 3 and 4 (Maple)	91%	96%
Year 3 and 4 (Cedar)	91%	96%
Year 5 (Willow)	95%	97%
Year 5 (Sycamore)	90%	94%
Year 6 (Hazel)	91%	94%
Year 6 (Oak)	93%	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 Weekly Attendance	95%

Big thank you for supporting us for Comic Relief on Friday 20th March!

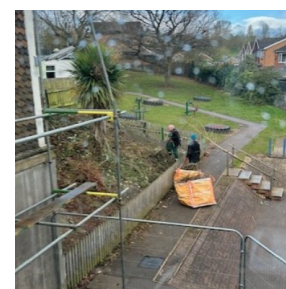


Thank you so much for your donations sent in to support Comic Relief and sending children in in red to celebrate the day! We are pleased to share that we raised a total of £139.00 on the day which will be sent to Comic Relief.



Thank you to our Grounds Maintenance Team:

Stanhope has a fantastic site and we want to develop our outdoor areas so they are well maintained and purposeful. We were very grateful to our Grounds Maintenance team from Vertas coming out this week for an additional visit to sort an area round the back of school. Also thanks to them for donating some funds for us to purchase some plants so we can take pride in our site.



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KEY DATES:

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
Tuesday 14th April	Year 2 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park	Year 2
Friday 17th April	“Break the Rules” day FOSS Fundraiser	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 11th 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 25th May—Friday 29th May	May Half Term	Whole School
Monday 1st June	INSET Day (School closed to all pupils)	Whole School
Wednesday 17th June	SPORTS DAY (Date Change***) KS2 = 9:15—12:00 Reception & KS1 = 1:45—3:00	Reception to Year 6
Friday 26th June	Y1 Trip to Sherwood Forest (letter to follow)	Year 1
Wednesday 1st July	Transition Morning (Nursery to Year 5)	Nursery to Y5
Wednesday 8th July	Year 6 Performance (Date Change as per updated Y6 Dates letter to parents)	Year 6
Friday 10th July	FOSS Summer Picnic & Festival	Whole School
Wednesday 15th July	Stanhope Curriculum Open Afternoon (2:30—4:00pm)	Nursery to Year 5

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

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