

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a week of some fantastic weather and learning at Stanhope! Mrs Vernon did a super job of organising us for our **class photos** on Wednesday. On Thursday, we had 4 children go out to **Nottingham Girls High School** with Miss Parker (Maths Lead) to complete a **Maths Challenge** and also we had x16 children go out to Robert Mellors School to take part in a local **athletics event** accompanied by Miss Vernon and Mrs Palmer. Children at both events had a super time and my thanks very much go to staff for supporting these events. We are reviewing our wider curriculum offer of opportunities outside of the classroom and very much appreciate the support of staff to bring this offer to life! It was super to see Mr Hall and Mrs Mason in the Curriculum Kitchen this week leading our **Y3/4 Cooking Club** after school and this week— every child was very focussed on slicing, chopping and dicing ingredients of their “Rainbow Salad!”



Miss Vernon led a great assembly on Monday about our half termly **One Life theme on “The Power of Now”** which is about sometimes taking the time to be present in the moment.

Miss Binks (Y5 teacher) will be taking two of our school council to be involved in **Flying High Pupil Parliament** today at Porchester School and last week, we shared the names of children who will be invited to the Flying High Pupil Awards in June. Well done to all these children!

Best Wishes, Mrs Bridges.



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Parent Feedback:

We have been reflecting on [parent feedback](#) gathered in February 2026 and will continue to do so. We wanted to share some of the actions which have been taken in response to some parental comments thus far. We are also keen to ensure that pupil voice is valued and included. Within the Stanhope Way; "Be Kind" encouraged our school community to: **"We celebrate difference and support one another to feel valued and included"**. Miss Mason will be meeting with our School Council every half term and is meeting with them on Monday to reflect on this aspect of our Stanhope Values.

"More after school Clubs"

There are at least x3 after school clubs run each term by staff and we will continue to develop the focus of these. We will also aim to ensure that there is an equitable offer across the year to all year groups. Alongside school led clubs, staff are keen to offer children the opportunity to join in inter sports etc competitions to offer children the opportunity to be involved in events with pupils from other settings.



"Library Visits—in and out of school"

We want Stanhope Primary School to be part of the local community. We have been able to already send Year 2 and Reception to Gedling Library and other year groups will visit the library during the summer term. We very much thank parent volunteers in supporting us with trips and visits. Without their support, we will struggle for staffing ratios to go out on trips so thank you in advance for any time parents offer for coming along with us!



"Trips outside of school"

The Summer term sees lots of trips which have been planned. As part of our work on the curriculum led by Miss Martin, we will be planning trips in for the 2026-27 academic year in advance and will share details of these with parents during our September Parent Meetings in each year group. We recognise that trips are important in capturing the interest of pupils as they begin an enquiry and offer a chance to broaden horizons.



Our Curriculum Vision at Stanhope:

"Creating a love of learning for LIFE!"

L = Language Driven I = Inclusive & Diverse F = Fuels Ambition E = Empowered by Knowledge

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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)	98%	94%
Year 1 (Elm)	94%	97%
Year 2 (Chestnut)	98%	96%
Year 3 and 4 (Pine)	97%	97%
Year 3 and 4 (Maple)	98%	96%
Year 3 and 4 (Cedar)	99%	96%
Year 5 (Willow)	99%	97%
Year 5 (Sycamore)	92%	94%
Year 6 (Hazel)	95%	94%
Year 6 (Oak)	88%	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	96.2%

Local Governing Body at Stanhope:

We have very few members of our Local Governing Body at Stanhope currently. Letters will be out to ask for Parent Interest in being part of this group which meet x3 per academic year and are invited into school to reflect on the experience of pupils who attend Stanhope. We are also looking for some co-opted governors who could bring expertise from a sector they are currently involved in.

At Stanhope, we are looking for anyone who may have links with organisations which are based in the "outdoors" - someone who could support our school develop our grounds and site possible practically or by supporting with grant funding etc. We are also looking for someone with a connection to further or higher education as a key element of our curriculum is "Fuelling Ambition" If you know anyone who may be interested please let Mrs Bridges or the office know. Thank you.

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KEY DATES:

Thursday 30th April	Year 1 Trip to Gedling Library	Year 1
Monday 4th May	Bank Holiday Monday (School closed)	
Thursday 7th May	Y3/4 Trip to Gedling Library	Year 3/4
WB Monday 11th May	KS2 SATS Week (Y6 children must be in school on time during this week please.)	Year 6
Thursday 14th May	Y3/4 Trip to Gedling Library	Year 3/4
Friday 15th May	Year 6 Bowling Trip	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
Tuesday 16th June	Year 5 Trip to Cadburys World	Year 5
Wednesday 17th June	SPORTS DAY KS2 = 9:15—12:00 and Reception & KS1 = 1:45—3:00	Reception to Year 6
Thursday 25th June	Year 3 / 4 Trip to MAGNA Science Park	Year 3 and 4
Friday 26th June	Y1 Trip to Sherwood Forest (letter to follow)	Year 1
Thursday 2nd July	Transition Morning (Nursery to Year 5)	Nursery to Y5
Wednesday 8th July	Year 6 Performance (5:00pm)	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



Nut Free School:

Just a reminder that any food brought in, we ask is nut free. We have several children across school with nut allergies. Thank you for supporting us in this.