



Headteacher's update

Student Dress Code/Uniform

Students have been reminded that we are still expecting our high standards of uniform every day. We are keeping our windows open in classrooms to ensure good ventilation, and a coat may be worn in a classroom if the class teacher gives permission. Teachers will decide on the room temperature and if you can wear one or not. Hoodies are not an item of uniform. Students must not wear a hooded jumper unless in the discovery zone as part of their PE kit. Students may wear a black school jumper underneath their blazer. Shoes should be black leather or black leather look shoes. No trainers are permitted, except for the day students have PE lessons.

Personal Achievements

I am delighted to let you know that one of our Year 7 students, Ellie McNab, has raised a fantastic £444 for the charity Sands which is a Still Birth and Neonatal Death charity.



Ellie walked 10,000 steps daily, totally 310,000 at the end of October. Well done Ellie this is a fantastic achievement.

If you would like to find out more about the charity please follow the link. <https://www.sands.org.uk/>



I am also delighted to report that Emily Blackhurst in Year 9 has been notified by British Gymnastics she is now classed as an Elite athlete and can continue her training during lockdown with her coach as she is on a performance pathway.

Emily has been selected to trial as part of a team of five to compete at the Aerobic World Championships next May in Azerbaijan. Emily is very excited by this opportunity and is now on a performance training programme working towards her end goal. This is fantastic news, well done Emily.

Covid-19 update

Under the new national lockdown restrictions, students should not be walking to or from school in groups and should be with a maximum of one other person outside. They should not routinely be visiting shops on the way to or from school unless it is essential.

We continue to encourage all students to follow the protocols of safe distancing and it is essential that all students wear a mask when out and about in communal areas also, we must ensure the safety guidelines that have been issued by the Government and Sefton Council are adhered to.

If your child has a positive Covid-19 test result, including out of school hours, at weekends and during term time, please email the following details immediately to: covid@stanleyhigh.co.uk

- Name of child
- Form group/Year group
- Date of the COVID-19 test
- Does the child have symptoms? Yes or No
- What date did the symptoms start?
- What date did the child last attend school?
- Please identify any social/friendship groups that your child has been in close contact with

Thank you in advance for your support.



Please also refer to the guidance at the following links:

NHS Guidance for Covid-19 symptoms: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/new-national-restrictions-from-5-november>

Guidance for schools: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

Should any parent/carer have any concerns or questions, please contact the school office for advice and guidance.

Personal Achievements

If your child has an extra-curricular activity that you would like to let us know about and especially if they are excelling in their chosen activity, please do let us know as it is fantastic to be able to celebrate and acknowledge a student's personal achievement, particularly outside of school. Please send information to the enquiries@stanleyhigh.co.uk email or via the Year Leader.

Mr N Moore
Headteacher

Children in Need

We are delighted to report that as a result of the fundraising last Friday we raised a grand total of **£343.16**. Thank you to everyone who donated.

If you would still like to support Children in Need please follow the links below.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx...>

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stanley-high-school>



Year 11

Year 11 are currently focusing on making choices for when they move to College in 2021. They have been busy at home going on virtual tours of our local colleges, along with talks and video recorded chats from KGV, Southport College and Runshaw College.

Following on from this they are now completing application forms. Some students have had support and guidance from Mrs Meredith during PSHE time and have found her information helpful.

The aim is for all students to have applied for their college courses before December, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Urquhart in school or Mrs Meredith on Elaine.Meredith@careerconnect.org.uk if as a parent you would like to discuss anything related to College.

School Lunch ordering online

Please continue to order your school lunches and pay in advance for your child's lunches, to ensure the kitchen can provide the service adequately. Please check regularly for the upcoming weeks link to enable you to order in advance. Please note that you can order and pay for more than one week at a time to save multiple transactions. Each week that is available will have a deadline on the Sunday one week prior to the start date.

Please follow the link to order your meals in advance <https://stanleyhigh.co.uk/school-meals/>



Christmas fundraising

May your Blazer be Merry and Bright

As a festive twist to Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 11th December, we are asking Stanley students to add some Christmas pizzazz to their school uniform in aid of two charities, Save the Children and Child Bereavement UK.

As well as dashing through the snow we hope students will be cutting a dash by applying a bit of tinsel, fairy lights, Christmas badges or anything to make spirits and school uniforms bright. So as well as decking out the Stanley Halls we hope uniforms will be decked on Friday 11th in aid of these two charities.



As befitting the Yuletide season, to be jolly, students can wear a Christmas jumper if they want to, but whatever they decide please ensure they don't get their tinsel in a tangle.

We ask students to make a donation for the joy of adding some Christmas sparkle to their uniform and the money raised will be shared between the two charities.

Let's make it a day to remember. So rock your Christmas socks and brighten up your Blazer, wear something Christmassy, show that you care, make a donation and get involved.

For more information about the charities please see the links below.

<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/about-us/contact-us>

<https://www.childbereavementuk.org/>



Stanley High school Christmas Food Hamper Appeal

Following on from the huge success we had last year with our food hamper appeal, we believe this year we can go one better.

This year more than any other year families in our local community need our help.



We are asking you, our students, and your amazing families to support us by bringing in vital food that will help feed our local community over the Christmas break.

This will run throughout November. You can donate as little or as much as you want.

Our aim is to create enough food hampers to feed the families who would benefit from this in our community.

You can also create a food hamper at home and bring this in at the beginning of December. Or equally, students can bring in their food donations and these are to be dropped off at the zone pastoral area.

Reverse Advent Calendar



This November, grab a box and instead of receiving a treat each day, add an item to create a food hamper for a family facing a tough time this Christmas.

- November 1 – Can of Baked Beans
- November 2 – Fruit Mince Pies
- November 3 – Pasta
- November 4 – Long life Milk
- November 5 – Can of Corn
- November 6 – Packet of Sweet Biscuits
- November 7 – Pack of Tea Bags
- November 8 – Jar of Pasta Sauce
- November 9 – Jar of Jam
- November 10 – Packet of Rice
- November 11 – Can of Tuna
- November 12 – Can of Tomatoes
- November 13 – Multipack 2-minute noodles
- November 14 – Packet of Cereal
- November 15 – Cake Mix
- November 16 – Packet of Dry Biscuits
- November 17 – Can of Soup
- November 18 – Bottle of Cordial
- November 19 – Long life Milk
- November 20 – Christmas Treat
- November 21 – Can of Spaghetti
- November 22 – Tinned Fruit
- November 23 – Can of Tuna
- November 24 – Packet of Jelly
- November 25 – Long life Custard
- November 26 – Christmas Pudding
- November 27 – Block of Chocolate
- November 28 – Instant Pasta dish
- November 29 – Simmer Sauce
- November 30 – Meal base



Arriving at School

Please be reminded we have a staggered start in operation to ensure the safety of our community and to minimise congestion at key points of the day. Please ensure your child arrives at their allocated time as below:

Year 10 & 11 – Arrive no earlier than 8:20am

Year 7, 8 & 9 – Arrive no earlier than 8:40am

In addition to this we must stress that students should be going straight home or to a safe place following the end of school, as this reduces chances of spreading COVID-19. Students gathering outside school who may not have been together in our setting, may cause additional transmission links that we are unable to track and trace in case of an emergency. This also ensures their safety.

Word of the week

As you may know, we have a word of the week that we encourage students to use during their day-to-day learning and each week the word will be displayed in classrooms with a PowerPoint during form time. This year we are also introducing a cognate of the week which are words in two languages that share a similar meaning, spelling, and pronunciation.

The word for this week was ‘**phil**’ and the cognate was ‘**to appear**’. We hope students had the opportunity to use both words within their lessons and beyond, it is also nice to know that they often like to catch the teachers out by using it when least expected!

Next week the word will be ‘**phon**’ and the cognate will be ‘**bottle**’.

Phon Ancient Greek for sound
Cacophony – euphone – telephone

bottle Flasche – German
flask – English
A container of liquids.

Duke of Edinburgh



Classes continue to be offered after school in room 44, for year 10 (Bronze) on a Friday and Year 11 (Silver) on a Wednesday.

We would encourage all students to attend and record the work they have done on their Physical, Skills and Volunteering Sections.

On completion, students will qualify for a Certificate of Achievement. Congratulations to the 10 students who have already passed.

Details of Expeditions for Year 10 (Bronze) and Year 11 (Silver) will follow as soon as it is safe to run such activities.

Parent/Carer contact details

Can I please remind you to update the school office should you move house, change your phone number or email address.

We send the majority of our communication home via email, which relies on an up to date email, and we need up to date telephone details for communication should your child be unwell etc. Please telephone the office or email enquiries@stanleyhigh.co.uk with any updated details.



Drama

Year 7 Drama club will start on Tuesday 24th November at 3.10-3.50pm in Room 14.

Anyone can join!! Gain confidence, meet new people and most importantly have FUN!

This unfortunately mean that Girls Football is stopping for the winter as it gets dark!
☺ however, it will be back after Christmas.



English

Year 7 Mystery book competition

We would like to encourage all Year 7 students to get into the festive spirit of giving and take part in this years ‘Mystery book competition’. Last year we had over 70 books beautifully wrapped – and we are hoping to beat that number this year!



What to do?

The students need to have a look at home for a book they no longer read but think someone else would enjoy. Once they have found a book that they are willing to give to someone else, we would like them to wrap it up and hand it to their English teacher no later than **Tuesday 8th December**. Once all students have brought a book in, we will keep them for one week before mixing them up and handing them out during their last English lesson before Christmas, on Tuesday 15th December.

Why?

To encourage students to read outside of their comfort zone. We are all used to choosing a book based on the front cover, author or genre. We stick to what we know, instead of exploring something different.



By not having the choice, hopefully the students will be able to read something they may have never chosen, but still really enjoy. More importantly, this way all the Year 7 students will receive an early Christmas present!

Path of Poppies

Well done to all of our Year 7 students who contributed to our display of a ‘Path of Poppies’ which was created to mark this year’s Remembrance Day. It was lovely to see our students showing such high respect and appreciation for those who risk their lives for others.

All the students created their own short poem and presented it within a poppy wreath. Lovely work Year 7 – Well done!





Please see the information below for consultation to proposed changes for the school admission criteria 2022/23 for our school.

<https://www.sefton.gov.uk/schools-learning/school-admissions/school-admissions-policy-and-reports.aspx>

Stanley High School – Admission Number 170 (2022/23)

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the admission criteria listed below will be applied, in the following order, to allocate places to the school.

- 1) **A 'looked after child' or a child who was previously looked after and ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to an adoption, residence, or special guardianship order). A child who appears to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be so as a result of being adopted. ***
Children identified as needing specialist facilities that go beyond expected reasonable adjustments will be given priority for this school if it is the nearest school with suitable resources. This would usually be a child with a physical or mobility difficulty. We will require details from parent(s)/carer(s), supported by medical evidence in order to assess each situation depending on circumstances.
- 2) **Sibling - Children who have either a brother or sister living in the same house who already attends the school as long as they will still be at the school in September 2022. (1) Sibling is defined in these arrangements as: Brothers and sisters including step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s) partner, living in the same family unit at the same address, who attend the school in question, as long as they will be at the school in September 2022.**
- 3) ****Children of staff where the member of staff has been employed at a school within the Southport Learning Trust for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. (1) Parent(s)/carer(s) must state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.**
- 4) **Distance - Other requests that name the school as a preference. (1)**

Tie Breaker Clause (1)

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Local Authority at the time of measurement).

* A looked after child is a child (under the age of 18) currently in the care of the Local Authority (or are being provided with accommodation by a local authority in England in the exercise of their social services functions) or are subject to a Legal Care Order sharing parental responsibility with the LA. This includes children who were previously looked after but ceased to be so because they became subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

A child is regarded as having been in state care in a place outside of England if they were accommodated by a Public Authority, a religious organisation or any other provider of care whose sole purpose is to benefit society.

** denotes an additional admission criterion



Music



Please be aware that there is keyboard club that takes place in Music for Year 7 students on a Tuesday and Year 8 on a Thursday until 3.45pm

We also have a Year 11 BTEC Music Intervention session on a Monday which is open to all BTEC students from 2.40pm to 3.40pm.

Technology

Please be aware that there will be a GCSE Technology after school session on Wednesday's from 2.40pm to 3.10pm. This will be for Food, Media and Design Technology.

Lego Club

Please be reminded that there will be a Lego club for Year 7 students on Monday and Year 8 students on Tuesday in Room 45. Please see Miss Smithies for more information when you are in the Discovery Zone.



Online Information and Apps

If you have changed your email address or any other contact details, please let the office know by emailing. You can also follow us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/stanleyhighsouthport/> and Twitter <https://twitter.com/shs1952> to keep up to date with events and activities in school.

Attendance

We have a target of 95% attendance and work hard every day to beat this. The whole school attendance for week ending 13.11.2020 was 93.4%.

Year 7		Year 8		Year 9		Year 10		Year 11	
7JK	90.7%	8EC	97.8%	9JN	86.6%	10KVE	90%	11JR	91.6%
7RP	95.7%	8CS	96.6%	9JB	88.4%	10LW	96.1%	11JWA	94.8%
7LWR	99.3%	8DE	95.7%	9TC	93.6%	10LR	96.4%	11KF	94.1%
7GN	98%	8NT	98.9%	9AT	89.2%	10EM	97.1%	11EWA	84.3%
7PB	99.3%	8PV	98.6%	9HA	89.1%				
7MG	94.8%								

Congratulations to 7LWR and 7PB for achieving 99.3% attendance.

School Term Dates

Please follow the link to see all available term dates. <https://stanleyhigh.co.uk/term-dates/>