



Headteacher's update

I continue to be impressed with the way students have adapted to the remote learning and continue working hard and communicating with their teachers. If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to raise these with your child's Form Tutor or Year Leader and of course by contacting the school office or emailing enquiries@stanleyhigh.co.uk.

On Thursday evening we held our virtual video parents evening for our Year 11 students. It was lovely that our students and families had an opportunity to meet with their teachers to discuss their progress, especially with the current uncertainty regarding examinations. The Department for Education have launched a consultation for schools and families to express their views on how to best award grades this summer. I would encourage all Year 11 families to complete the consultation document which closes on the 29th January 2021.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/consultation-on-how-gcse-as-and-a-level-grades-should-be-awarded-in-summer-2021>

For our Year 9 students and families, information will be sent out regarding our options pathways and option choices sat the start of February. This will be an opportunity to consider a more personalised, bespoke suite of subjects as you move into Year 10. Year 9 Parents evening will take place on 11th February and information will be sent out to families about how to book video appointments with staff.

We continue to monitor the guidelines and communicate to you any changes and again appreciate the positive comments we receive from parents and carers at the continue information we put out. We acknowledge that sometimes this can be multiple messages in one day, but again, we wish to keep you as informed as possible so this, at times, is unavoidable.

We have commenced the Lateral Flow Testing in school, and this has been working well with both students and staff. If you have yet to complete the consent form, can I please ask you to do this as soon as it is convenient. Please follow the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=pcj5V95WbkuJdlfQCKCrqDBnQGjwc2ZMrwnr9O1LPKdUQkxOU1ZTV1dMTThVSUo3MzAzNTNDSVRBVi4u>

Please continue to keep safe and following the Government guidelines. We request that students of critical workers or vulnerable students continue to arrive to school with a mask and to follow the school guidance of remaining within their bubble during each school day, respecting each other's space and continuing to wash hands and sanitise at all times.

Covid-19 update

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 as well as when in school on the corridors, 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/>
Guidance for schools: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

762 Bus Service

From Monday 25th January the No 762 bus service will no longer be running due to no uptake through the current lockdown. Should this change, we will inform you at the earliest convenience. Please contact the school if this will affect your child in any way.

Mr N Moore
Headteacher

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.

Coats and Uniform and equipment

Student's uniform has been brilliant this half term. We would like all students to continue meeting these high uniform expectations. Full uniform is expected each day unless lessons are in the Discovery zone and PE kit must be worn.

A number of students are forgetting equipment when in the Discovery zone. Please help us to keep your child safe by ensuring they are taking responsibility for their own equipment and not borrowing any.

- All students should be in black leather or leather look shoes
- Blazers must be worn unless in the Discovery learning zone
- Skirts must be at a respectable length
- Ties must be tied long enough to show the school crest
- Coats can be worn and are advised as the weather gets colder; the wearing of a coat, over a blazer, is at the teachers' discretion in their classroom
- Masks should be plain

We are incredibly proud of how our students look and want this to continue to be the case. We are also very pleased with the response from families to face masks being compulsory. Thank you.

Should a child not have a piece of uniform please put a note in their planners. Please let us know if you are having difficulty with uniform.

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Art

Year 7 have been developing their use of tone this week. They reflected on tone by producing a tonal ladder and then looked at some monster designs. They then went on to produce their own monsters showing a full range of tones. Here are some examples of the work produced . Great work Year 7, well done.



Art Hub

Do you want to join the Art club on Teams? You can share your artwork, ideas and techniques with each other. Please let Mrs Ward or Mrs McAlister know if you wish to be added to the Team.

English

National Literacy Trust Survey 2021

This year, as a school, we have the exciting opportunity to take part in the annual National Trust Literacy Survey. The National Literacy Trust's survey of children and young people **aged 9-18 across the whole country**, explores their views on reading, writing and listening. This year they have also included a few questions on how literacy behaviours might have changed as a result of the pandemic. Additionally, they also ask about mental wellbeing, diversity and resilience.

- **The survey will open on Monday 18th January 2021**
- **The survey will close on Friday 5th February 2021**
- The surveys can be accessed online via the link below.
- The link will also be shared with students through their English classes on Teams in the week beginning Monday 18th January 2021.
- It should take about 25 minutes for the survey to be completed.
- Students should be able to answer the questions in this survey independently.

https://research.literacytrust.org.uk/s/ALS21_Stanley/

Languages – Spanish

A new channel is coming to Teams. Do you enjoy Spanish and would you like to get more involved with using your Spanish skills to listen to Spanish music, go on virtual tours around Spain or to learn new phrases? If so, please let Miss Peacock know that you wish to be added to the Team. ¡Gracias! Please see the flier at the end of this bulletin for more information.

Maths

Fancy getting stuck into some challenging Maths problems and puzzles? Get involved on Teams, all year groups welcome. Please message Mrs Knox and you will be added to the group. Students will be messaged in Teams and this will start next week.



Well done to Kris and Nick in Year 11 who both managed to find solutions for this week's problem. Do you fancy having a go? Please see the problem at the end of this bulletin.

Also well done to Matthew in Year 7 who managed to find the length of the red line from the poster question! The answer was 13cm.

PE

North Sefton School Games 'Try it Tuesday' and 'Wellness Wednesday' challenges

Being active for at least 60 minutes a day is linked to better general health, stronger bones and muscles, and higher levels of self-esteem. During these difficult and challenging times, when many of us are learning remotely from home, being active is even more important for your overall physical and mental health.

So I ask you this question??? Are you getting up and moving around and working towards your 60 active minutes of physical activity per day? To boost your activity levels and support your mental well-being each week, Miss Alyson, our School Games Organiser, sets a weekly 'Try it Tuesday' personal challenge. You can access this weekly challenge via twitter @NorthSeftonSG .

Our Miss Alyson is also working in collaboration with other School Games Organisers across Merseyside to bring to you a 'Wellness Wednesday' activity, again this can be accessed via Twitter @NorthSeftonSG.

So, 3,2,1 lets go This week's 'Try It Tuesday' Challenge is Wall Ball. How many can complete this skill in 60 seconds? Please tag in @NorthSeftonSG with your efforts 😊 Please see the flier at the end of this bulletin.

Science

Science will be launching, from next week, some practical experiments that can be done at home for Year 7 students. If you are interested in these (and it doesn't have to be only Year 7 that take part) then please contact Miss Greenwood on Teams. These experiments must be carried out with the supervision of an adult and are not compulsory.

Technology

Lego Club

Lego club is now online on Teams. If you would like to get involved and share your creations electronically, please contact Miss Smithies on Teams.



Cookery Club



Cookery club is also online on Teams, so if you want to post your culinary creations and share recipes, please contact Miss Smithies on Teams.

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.

School Term Dates

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



Maths problem

0 0 0 = 6

1 1 1 = 6

2 2 2 = 6

3 3 3 = 6

4 4 4 = 6

5 5 5 = 6

6 6 6 = 6

7 7 7 = 6

8 8 8 = 6

9 9 9 = 6

Only inserting two mathematical symbols (including factorials and square roots) can you make 6 in each calculation?
Symbols can be used multiple times.

DO YOU ENJOY SPANISH?

Español Extra

DO YOU WANT TO :

- .Listen to current Spanish music?
- .Look at Spanish memes?
- .Go on virtual tours in Spain?
- .Find out what is happening in the news in Spain?
- .Follow a Spanish sports team?
- .Learn useful phrases?
- .Make Spanish food?
- .Start using your Spanish skills more regularly?

WANT TO FIND OUT MORE? [ASK TO BE ADDED](#) to the 'Español Extra' channel by messaging **Miss Peacock on Teams.**