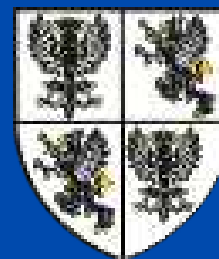


STANLEY Newsletter



Friday 17th July 2026

Success for all

Here we are at the end of another school year. We say it each time: where did the time go?

When I look back at how much we have achieved and how far we have come together since September, it is no wonder that we have all, at times, felt exhausted and perhaps a little frayed around the edges. That said, everything that we have done this year, in partnership with you, has been worth it. The hard work and dedication of our staff, coupled with your own commitment and support for our young people has resulted in a productive year for our students and, hopefully, a bank of memories that they will carry with them into next year.

Your support has been invaluable and I am grateful to each of you for your positivity and constructive suggestions as we have met challenges - new and old - along the way.

Stanley is a wonderful place to work and our children continue to be a source of joy. I know this to be true, not just because our staff feel it, but because visitors to our school and members of the community who meet our children when they are on visits, tell us this too. We are all proud of them.

I hope that you and your family have a good summer break and that you manage to get some rest. Before we know it, September will be here and we need to be ready to go again.

Thank you again for your positivity and support.

Very best wishes,

Nicki Gregg

Dates for your Diary

3rd September

Start of Term

Year 7 8.40am

Year 8/9 10am

Year 10/11 10.30am

4th September

Year 7 & 11 School Photographs including siblings

Term Dates

Please follow the link below to view the term dates for the next academic year, 2026-2027.

Please note that following Government and Sefton guidance, no holidays will be authorised during term time.

<https://stanleyhigh.co.uk/term-dates>



Please report all absences and appointments to the absence team before 8.30am on the absence line which is 01704 228940 option 1.



What a fantastic way to celebrate the end of an incredible school year!

Our recent Trips Day was a huge success, with students enjoying exciting visits to Blackpool Pleasure Beach, Chester Zoo, Ninja Warrior, Vue Cinema, Ten Pin Bowling, and our Cake & Bake Workshop.

Throughout the day, students embraced new experiences, challenged themselves, built confidence, and most importantly, had lots of fun with their friends. From thrilling rides and animal encounters to teamwork activities, film screenings, strikes on the bowling lanes, and creative baking achievements, there was something for everyone to enjoy.

We are especially proud of our students, whose behaviour was outstanding throughout the day. They represented the school brilliantly, showing respect, responsibility, and positivity wherever they went. Staff at each venue commented on how polite and engaged our students were, making us incredibly proud.



Despite the extremely hot weather, Year 9 showed fantastic enthusiasm, sportsmanship and determination during today's Tomas Remeikis Memorial Day.

Students competed in football, rounders, softball and benchball, with the level of competition matching the soaring temperatures throughout the day. After a well-earned bonus ice lolly following lunch, the excitement continued until the final results were confirmed, with 9AWA emerging as worthy champions of the elaborate trophy!

Across the three events held throughout the year, the year group has grown closer through physical activity, teamwork and healthy competition, while also raising more than £800 for the Pulmonary Hypertension Association. Every student has done Tomas proud, and a huge thank you must go to the PE Department for their hard work in organising and delivering these memorable events.





Year 10 Work Experience Success

This year's Year 10 Work Experience programme has been a tremendous success, providing students with valuable opportunities to gain first-hand experience of the workplace and develop important employability skills.

Throughout their placements, students demonstrated maturity, enthusiasm and professionalism, making a positive impression on employers across a wide range of industries. Feedback from Elevate, our Work Experience provider, as well as from employers and staff, was overwhelmingly positive. Many employers praised our students for their excellent attitude, willingness to learn and ability to adapt to new environments and responsibilities.

The experience allowed students to build confidence, develop communication and teamwork skills, and gain a greater understanding of the world of work. From healthcare and engineering to education, retail and business, students embraced the opportunity to explore potential career pathways and challenge themselves outside the classroom.

Most importantly, our students embodied the school's core value of "Inspiring Limitless Potential: Empowering Every Student to Thrive Throughout Their Lives." By stepping beyond their comfort zones, engaging with professionals and embracing new challenges, they demonstrated the ambition, resilience and determination that will help them succeed in their future education, careers and personal development.

We are particularly proud of how our students represented themselves, their families and the school within the local community. Their conduct, commitment and positive attitude throughout the week reflected both our school values and the high standards we strive to uphold every day. Their efforts helped strengthen relationships with local employers and showcased the exceptional young people within our school community.

We would like to thank Elevate, our employer partners, staff and families for their support in making this year's programme such a success. Most importantly, congratulations to our Year 10 students, who approached their placements with enthusiasm, professionalism and a willingness to learn, making the most of this invaluable opportunity.

We look forward to building on this success in future years and continuing to provide experiences that inspire limitless potential and empower every student to thrive throughout their lives.





Student Celebration

Jake Johnson in Year 7 was proudly awarded the Vice Principal's Award at the PQA Southport Summer Awards in recognition of his remarkable contribution to The Addams Family.

Jake demonstrated an outstanding stage presence, delivered an exceptional vocal performance, and brought incredible enthusiasm, energy, and commitment to his role throughout the production. He was also a fantastic role model to his fellow performers, consistently showing kindness, encouragement, and positivity.

His passion, confidence, and dedication shone through in every rehearsal and performance, making him a truly deserving recipient of this prestigious award.

Congratulations, Jake, on this fantastic achievement!



We are delighted to celebrate the achievements of Year 10 student Ebony-Mae, a talented singer and musical theatre performer who has been singing since the age of four.

Ebony-Mae, who studies BTEC Music here at Stanley High, also takes part in beauty pageants across the UK.

She was scouted whilst performing at a charity fashion show, where her talent and stage presence caught the attention of industry professionals. Following this exciting opportunity, she visited a recording studio in March to record a song.

We are thrilled to share that Heal the World, by Charllaey featuring Ebony-Mae and Dr AKP, will be released on 1st August.

The song references making the World a better place for people with disabilities - both visible and invisible. We are incredibly proud of Ebony-Mae's hard work, dedication and passion for performing, and we wish her every success with the release of this exciting new track.





Last Friday, four of our students had the exciting opportunity to take part in a Massed Ensemble Day delivered by the Sefton and Knowsley Music Hubs.

The event brought together around 70 young musicians from schools across Sefton, giving them the chance to rehearse and perform as part of a large ensemble. The orchestra featured a wide range of instruments, from traditional orchestral instruments such as clarinets to electric keyboards and guitars, creating a vibrant and diverse musical experience.

The day began with a warm-up session and an inspiring talk from orchestra leader Helen before students broke off into sectional rehearsals with musicians playing similar instruments. In the afternoon, everyone came back together for a full orchestra rehearsal, culminating in a fantastic final performance.

The ensemble performed This Is Berk from How to Train Your Dragon and Queen's iconic anthem We Are the Champions. Our students represented the school brilliantly throughout the day, demonstrating enthusiasm, teamwork and excellent musicianship.

It was a memorable experience that allowed them to develop their skills, make new musical connections and enjoy the thrill of performing as part of a large-scale ensemble.

Year 7 having been working as illustrators this term for Kaspas' desert and ice cream parlour. They had been briefed to create an ice cream sundae for the menu at our local Kaspas'.

Students used oil pastels to blend textures and colours of ice creams. Used water colours to create a background and pencil crayon and fine liner to complete their lettering.

This final piece used all the skills students have been learning about all year.

Well done, Year 7. Your illustrations are almost good enough to eat.

Have a great summer from Art.







This has been a great year of sport for our students! The students have embraced a wide variety of activities, developing their skills, fitness, confidence, and teamwork while always striving to do their best. We have included some of our sporting highlights from the year below:

Netball continues to attract excellent levels of extra-curricular participation, with consistently strong attendance at training sessions and matches across all year groups. Large numbers of students choose to take part each week, demonstrating enthusiasm, commitment, and a positive attitude towards physical activity beyond the curriculum.



The high level of participation has enabled the school to field multiple teams, providing opportunities for students of all abilities to represent the school and develop their skills. Regular training and competitive fixtures have helped build teamwork, resilience, leadership, and confidence, while fostering a strong sense of community and school pride.



A special mention to our Year 7 and 8 teams who finished in third place in their Sefton competition at Formby High School. This was a massive achievement for our girls and a well-deserved outcome from all their hard work and effort!



Another successful year for our girls' football! Miss Poole could not be any prouder this year. We have been able to enter a range of sporting fixtures and tournaments across the year which has given our girls plenty of opportunities to play the game they love!

The first tournament of the year brought us great success as both our Year 7 and 8 teams became Sefton champions!

The girls showed unbelievable resilience throughout the tournament, encouraging one another throughout all the games – outstanding performances, girls!





Our Year 10 and 11 students were selected to represent the school at the KS4 North Sefton badminton tournament, with all students demonstrating excellent sportsmanship, determination, and effort throughout the competition. Every participant played to the best of their ability, showing resilience and a positive attitude.

Students encouraged their teammates, stayed focused during challenging matches, and displayed great skill and perseverance on the court. It was wonderful to see everyone giving their best effort, and their enthusiasm and determination made the event enjoyable and rewarding for all involved.



A big shout out to Ellie in Year 10, who demonstrated excellent movement around the court, strong shot selection, and a positive attitude under pressure. Their hard work and perseverance helped them to secure a well-deserved place in the semi-final.



Our Year 7 and 8 students took part in the North Sefton indoor athletics competition at Greenbank High School this year. There were five schools competing across the tournament and our students represented the school in an outstanding manner. The girls performed brilliantly on the day and showed impressive results on both the track and field events.

Both teams finished runners up which was an incredible result for the girls! Again, it is down to the commitment they have displayed in the build up to the competition. A special mention to Nina, Jess and Chloe in Year 7 who all finished in first place in their events.



Congratulations to our Year 9 students who were crowned champions at this year's Mixed Touch Rugby Tournament!

The team demonstrated outstanding skill, teamwork, and determination throughout the event, being unbeaten and overcoming strong opposition to win the competition. Their positive attitude, excellent sportsmanship, and commitment to supporting one another were evident in every match.



A special Well Done goes to all the players who represented the school so proudly. Their effort and commitment resulted in amazing success.

We are incredibly proud of their achievement and look forward to seeing their continued commitment to Rugby.



Rounders is always a popular summer sport for our students, and this year was no different! Brilliant numbers across all year groups. We were fortunate to host the annual Sefton rounders tournament at Stanley this year which had over 150 students involved on the day.

A special mention to our Year 7 team who came out as overall winners!

They were able to demonstrate all the core skills developed during training, as well as applying the rules of the game through their different tactics used during games. The girls were absolutely delighted with this result, as were all the PE staff!



Students from Year 7 and 8 represented the school at the Trust rounders competition at Bedford Primary School. They all enjoyed a fantastic day taking part in a mixed school festival alongside students from different primary and secondary schools.

Throughout the day, all the girls demonstrated outstanding sportsmanship, resilience and respect, making the festival an enjoyable experience for everyone involved.



A special congratulations must go to Abeera in Year 8 and Chloe in Year 7 who performed brilliantly throughout the competition and secured a place in the final for both of their teams.

More importantly, every student embraced the spirit of the day and supported one another, and all students took part in a competitive sport in a fun and inclusive environment. It was a memorable experience for everyone.



This year, our students attended the Careers in Golf – Road to the Open event at Greenbank High School. Students were able to complete a series of fun golf challenges which helped them to practise key skills within the game, such as putting and chipping.

It was a great opportunity for our students to explore a new sport and learn about the history of golf. We look forward to introducing more opportunities within the sport next year!



After last year's success, Stanley was also keen to participate in the annual Trust Golf competition at Southport Old Links.

This year, we entered 8 students who were all very willing to step up to the challenge. We had great success on the day; Joe in Year 10 secured a trophy for the nearest the Pin Competition and Will in Year 8 finished as runner up in his individual competition.

What an outstanding opportunity for our students - one that we will look forward to entering again next year!



This year, Stanley hosted our first ever inclusive Dodgeball Tournament to our North Sefton Schools which solely focused on targeting students who have not had many opportunities to represent many of our school teams.

Stanley entered a Year 7 team and a Year 8 team in the competition. It is safe to say that both teams had a fantastic time and played each of their games with determination to get their opponents out, and a willingness to win. Sadly both teams fell just short finishing 3rd overall.

Due to the successes of this tournament, this is now a competition that will be included each year in the sporting calendar.



Football has always been extremely popular with fantastic attendance at our extra-curricular clubs which has seen both individual and team success. Our five football teams entered the Sefton Cup this year and it was our Year 11s who progressed the furthest, coming to a narrow defeat in the semi-final against eventual winners Chesterfield. All our teams progressed to the later rounds and although this year there was no Sefton Cup silverware, there were plenty of positive performances which suggests potential future success.

As always, this year we hosted our North Sefton Schools Year 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11 Football Festivals. Our students went to the home of Liverpool FC Academy and Year 7 & 8s had the chance to represent the school at the North Sefton Finals. A special mention must go to Year 8 who ended up eventual winners claiming the goal medals.





Our football clubs continued throughout the year despite the football season ending and we kept our students motivated with inter form competitions and our very own Stanley World Cup.

The Stanley World Cup was a particular highlight as this involved members of different year groups mixing to form different countries in the competition which was held over two nights.

This was a true festival of football and it was Ivory Coast who eventually beat Portugal on penalties in a truly enthralling end to Stanley's very own competition. We had 10 teams with well over 70 players involved and the sportsmanship and level of play was a credit to all involved.



Earlier this year we had our first football trip to Salou. Our students were trained by members of the Futbol Salou coaching team and had the opportunity to attend a virtual tour of the Nou Camp Stadium.

Our own teams played against some strong local opposition and all of the games were evenly contested and played with a high level of sportsmanship throughout. Special mention however, goes to all our teams on the final day where spirits remained high despite the tired bodies after all of the football excursions.

After the success of this trip, the PE department have planned a return trip back in 2028 for our current Year 7 and 8 students who, like our current Year 9 and 10s, will have the same fantastic experience which will create memories for a lifetime.





At Stanley, we have a great tradition of basketball success. This season was no different with our boys winning their respective competitions making it a clean sweep for Years 7, 8, 9 and 10.

The success of our basketball teams means that we have been able to maintain our winning tradition with basketball being one of our strongest performing sports for success. We look forward to continuing our winning tradition in 2027.



Rugby continues to be an emerging and growing sport for us, which has seen Stanley play in fixtures against some of our local schools. Our students this year have been supported by members of Southport Rugby Club, who have also assisted and supported in our extra-curricular sessions.

On behalf of the PE department, a special thank you goes to Southport Rugby Club for providing members of staff to support our extra-curricular as well as providing their facilities to host several tournaments that we have organised across the age groups. What is pleasing this year is several of our students have accessed this pathway and are now regularly playing at Southport RFC.

Well done to all the students who have participated this year.





The great British summer has seen rising temperatures which were only matched by the exemplary cricket performances that our students have produced this season.

In the local North Sefton Cricket competitions that we organise and play at Fleetwood Hesketh, Stanley were victorious in Year 9/10 for a softball tournament. However, it was the success in the Lancashire Cup where our U14 and U15 reached the quarter final stage.

Our students have had some wonderful experiences along the way with our U15 being made up of Year 7 and 8 students so the future looks splendid. Let's go one step further next year and win the cup!



Each year, our Year 7 and 8s have the opportunity to take part in Sports Hall Athletics events which range from running, jumping and throwing against other Southport and Formby schools. Our Year 7s managed to finish second; however, our Year 8s were comprehensive winners and qualified to the Merseyside Sports Hall competition which was held at Wavertree. Our athletes competed very well on the day and out of 20 schools, Stanley finished 4th overall in Merseyside. The indoor athletics certainly gave a preview of the success we were going to have at the Southport and Formby Championships at Edge Hill University. In both of these competitions, Stanley secured both individual and team success. Well done to all students who took part in Sports Hall Athletics across Year 7 and 8.



Our Southport and Formby Championship competition was held at Edge Hill University this year. We had plenty of success on the day with our gold medallists including Jess in Year 7 for Shot, Nina in Year 7 for Javelin, Chloe in Year 7 for 800m, Ellie in Year 10 for 1500m and Maisie in Year 10 for Discus.

The girls have all worked extremely hard towards their events and have shown incredible dedication towards their practice at extra-curricular. There was a lovely atmosphere on the day as our students supported each other across all year groups! Well done, girls – we are all extremely proud of you!



Our Year 7, 8 and 9 Softball teams enjoyed a highly successful tournament hosted at Stanley High School, competing against Meols Cop and Formby High Schools. All three year groups represented the school superbly, demonstrating excellent teamwork, determination and sportsmanship throughout the event.

The games were played in wonderful spirit, with players from all schools showing great respect for one another. There were some fantastic shots and catches on display, highlighting the skill and effort of everyone involved.



The tournament was a great success and provided an enjoyable opportunity for our students to showcase their talent and commitment to the sport.

Congratulations to all who took part and represented the school so positively.



Stanley High School has proudly hosted a wide range of primary school sports events throughout the academic year, strengthening our community ties and offering enriching leadership opportunities for our students. These events have included boys' and girls' football tournaments across all primary year groups, gymnastics competitions, multi-skills festivals, softball, dodgeball tournaments and even footgolf competitions.



A particular highlight was the North Sefton Cross Country Championships, which saw over 800 young athletes from across Southport and Formby come together in a remarkable display of endurance and teamwork. The event was a resounding success, showcasing the enthusiasm and sporting spirit of our local primary schools.



Stanley High's dedicated Sports Leaders played a vital role in the smooth running of all these events. Our students took on a variety of responsibilities, including officiating matches, judging performances, coaching younger participants, and helping to organise and manage logistics.

Through these roles, our Sports Leaders have developed a wide range of valuable leadership skills. They've demonstrated communication and decision-making in high-pressure situations, problem-solving during live events and time management. They have shown empathy – encouraging young competitors, celebrating every child's effort and creating a welcoming and inclusive atmosphere for all.

Stanley High School is proud to be at the heart of local primary sport and remains committed to providing opportunities that inspire leadership and growth.



School Aged Immunisation Clinics



Has your child missed a vaccination?

It's not too late, contact the team on
0151 351 8805 to book an appointment.



Clinic dates:



**28 July 2026,
10am to 3pm**
Southport Health and
Wellbeing Centre, 44-46
Hoghton Street, PR9 0PQ

12 August 2026, 9.30am to 3pm
Southport Health and Wellbeing
Centre, 44-46 Hoghton Street,
PR9 0PQ

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Uniform / Coat Swap
a free community clothes swap



Sunday 9th August 2026 | 10.30am - 2pm

Southport Market

How It Works



1. Drop off
10am - 10.30am
Bring clean uniform items
in bags or bins if they're
boxed

2. Stay & Swap
10.30am - 12pm
Gather around a table
with neighbours to swap
items

3. Browse & take
12pm - 2pm
Pick up what you like
from the table

Bottoms to bring? You're still welcome.

Free uniforms from which we have for any family who needs them.

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