



3rd November 2023

Good afternoon Stanley Families

Please see below information, advice and guidance for you and your children. Thank you for taking the time to read this bulletin.

If you would like to request anything related to this bulletin, please contact the school on the enquiries email. enquiries@stanleyhigh.co.uk.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs J Shawe
Headteacher

Parent/Carer Consultation Evening dates

Please make a note of the following dates for your children's year. School will close at 2pm on these dates to allow parents/carers to attend from 3pm to 6.30pm.

Year 8 Thursday 16th November 2023

Year 7 Thursday 30th November 2023

Year 9 Thursday 1st February 2024

Year 11 Thursday 14th March 2024

Year 10 Thursday 2nd May 2024

Upcoming Dates and Events

Please make a note of the following dates, for your information.

November

Wednesday 15th STEM Day

Thursday 16th STEM Day

Thursday 23rd Year 11 Leavers Celebration Evening 6pm

Thursday 30th Year 7 Parent/Carer Evening 3pm (2pm finish)

December

6th SEND Together Trust Coffee Morning 10am-12noon

Attendance

We have a target of 95% attendance and work hard every day to beat this. The whole school attendance for week ending 20th October 2023 was 91%.

Did you know that if your attendance is 90%, this is equivalent to 1 full day off school every two weeks and if your attendance is 95% this is equivalent to half a day off school every two weeks?

Congratulations to 8VW, 7EWA, 8KVE and 9GN for achieving the highest attendance last week.



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Since September, the Department for Education has issued guidance for all schools in "Working Together to Improve Attendance". This guidance forms the basis of our updated Attendance Policy - which you can find on our website at the following link.

<https://stanleyhigh.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Attendance-Policy-September-2022.pdf>

Art – Mrs Ward

The Christmas card image competition has now closed and we are having a wonderful time looking at all the entries that have been sent in.

The students were invited to create an A5 painting or drawing based on the theme 'Wintry Wonderland'. The winning image will be used as the Stanley High School Christmas card.

This was, yet again, a very popular activity for the students and as always there are some outstanding images. Please keep an eye out for the winning design which we will reveal soon. Congratulations to all the entrants and good luck.

Homework Club

Our school homework club is open to all years and is held in the library every day after school from 3pm - 4pm. Students will have access to laptops should they wish to use them and there will be support from learning support staff during this time. We welcome all students to attend whether it be to complete homework, to revise for assessments, or take the opportunity to access our library for the simple pleasure of reading.

We understand homework can be tricky for some students to navigate so please know that we are here to support where needed.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

PUZZLE CLUB
Open to all
FRIDAY LUNCH
12.20pm – 1pm
Room 2

Maths

Chess Club

Chess Club
Monday Lunchtimes
Room 31

Fancy improving your logic?

- It can raise your IQ. Chess has always had an image problem, being seen as a game for loners and people with already high IQs.
- It helps general education.
- It exercises both sides of the brain.
- It increases your creativity.
- It improves your memory.

Drama

RISING STARS

Are you in Year 7 - 9 and have a flair for the dramatic?
Do you want to build your confidence and make new friends?
Do you have an eye for direction and want to devise your own performances?

If you have answered 'yes' to any of these questions, then 'Rising Stars' is the Drama club for you!
Sign up today! (Places are limited)

WEDNESDAY FROM 12.30 - 1PM IN RM 14



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Technology



Online Safety – Mrs Fraser-Orr

Please visit the National Safety Online Facebook page at the link below to see their latest important information. You will also see any historical information that we have shared with you.

<https://www.facebook.com/NationalOnlineSafety>



How much does your child know about staying safe online?

Test their knowledge and start a discussion with our online safety quiz! 👉

<https://bit.ly/3ZUdW28>





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Literacy ePlatform – Mrs Kelly

Our students have started to enjoy the benefits of our new library platform ePlatform.



Students can log in using their normal school login: [Stanley High School - Stanley High School \(eplatform.co\)](https://stanleyhighschool.eplatform.co)
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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/> 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/>

The Sefton Directory

You will find useful information regarding Adults, Families and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities on The Sefton Directory pages. Please use the links below:

<https://www.seftondirectory.com/kb5/sefton/directory/home.page>

<https://www.seftondirectory.com/kb5/sefton/directory/localoffer.page?localofferchannel=0>

<https://www.seftondirectory.com/kb5/sefton/directory/localoffer.page?localofferchannel=3>

Advice, help and support available

You may wish to get in touch with Sefton's Special Educational Needs and Disability Information, Advice and Support Service, SENDIASS (Tel. 0151 934 3334) or by email seftonsendiass@sefton.gov.uk

SENDIASS is a free, confidential, and impartial service for parents and carers, children, and young people (up to 25 years), who help parents and carers make informed decisions about their children's special educational needs and to support children and young people to have their voices heard and to talk over their options for next steps and future transitions. They can advise and support parents and young people up to and including mediation and tribunal.

<https://www.seftondirectory.com/kb5/sefton/directory/advice.page?id=x8sKvkxyZyo>

Sefton Emotional Health Partnership

Please follow the link below to see some important links and contact details for emotional and mental health support providers.

<https://mailchi.mp/a1413fe6bcb9/december-2022-newsletter-sefton-emotional-health-partnership>



Set Up Safe Checklist

internetmatters.org

Set your child up for online safety with these simple tasks

Manage broadband & mobile networks



At home, access your broadband network and set applicable controls.



On the go, set up controls on the relevant mobile network.

See step-by-step guides to help

Prepare their device



Explore the device controls and settings to set limits on inappropriate content, screen time, spending and more.



Download and install the apps and games you're okay with your child using.



Set up controls in these apps and games to help keep your child safe while they play, browse or chat.



Install or set up additional parental control apps for further protection.

Explore step-by-step guides for social media and video gaming

Talk & learn regularly

Together, learn about online safety issues that might impact your child.

Together, explore privacy and safety settings on their favourite platforms.

Ask them to teach you about their favourite online platforms to create an open environment for conversation.

Keep these conversations going for continuous support.



Visit internetmatters.org for more advice

[InternetMatters](https://www.facebook.com/InternetMatters)

[@im_org](https://twitter.com/im_org)

[@InternetMatters](https://www.whatsapp.com/channel/0029va11111111111111111111)

[Internet Matters Ltd](https://www.linkedin.com/company/Internet-Matters-Ltd)

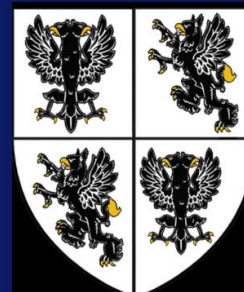
[@internetmattersorg](https://www.instagram.com/internetmattersorg)

[@InternetMatters_org](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)



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Together Trust Coffee Morning



Theme: Coping with Christmas

**DATE: WEDNESDAY
6TH DECEMBER 2023
10AM - 12 NOON**

- Come and enjoy coffee and refreshments
- Chance to meet others
- Opportunities to ask questions to professionals
- Professional in social communication and ASD presenting

Autism Friendly Christmas Tips
Christmas is different to other times of the year – it can be loud, intense, bright, unpredictable & busy.

<p>LIGHTS Get lights that have controls to adjust the brightness and the flashing function</p>		<p>UNPREDICTABILITY Prepare a person for what's happening around the Christmas period, e.g. social stories, timetables, who will be visiting/what time is dinner</p>
<p>TAKE A BREAK Christmas day can be intense...ensure there are opportunities for breaks, quiet space & keep headphones handy</p>		<p>EATING A person's idea of Christmas dinner may not be the same as the traditional meal...pizza or pasta is cool to eat too!</p>
<p>PRESENTS Not everyone likes presents, not everyone likes opening presents in front of others, not everyone likes the surprise of a wrapped gift</p>		<p>HAVING FUN Create games that includes everyone...change the rules if you need to so that everyone can play</p>

VISITS
Unannounced visits are unpredictable... let the person know that someone is calling

Gheel

We look forward to seeing you there.
Open to families, extended families and those who support our students.



LOCAL OFFER LIVE

Sefton Local Offer Live is back!

Wednesday 22nd November

9:30am-5:30pm

Family Life Centre, Ash Street, Southport, PR8 6JH

Join us for our SEND services marketplace to find out about support here in Sefton.

- Children's Social Care
- Education Services
- SEND Charities
- NHS Services



Sefton Council 

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Online help and advice

If you have any worries or concerns regarding a child while school is closed please take a look at how you can report something that doesn't fit right with you [Worried about a child \(sefton.gov.uk\)](https://www.sefton.gov.uk/worried-about-a-child).

Kooth is an online mental well-being website. 0203 984 9337 www.kooth.com

Childline is a free, private, and confidential service that you can access online and on the phone. They can provide help and support for people up to their 19th birthday. 0800 1111 www.childline.org.uk

Samaritans is where you can access confidential emotional support at any time by calling 116 123 or emailing jo@samaritans.org www.samaritans.org

Shout is a 24/7 text service, free on all major mobile networks, for anyone in crisis anytime, anywhere. It's a place to go if you're struggling to cope and you need immediate help. Text 85258. www.crisistextline.uk

Police If you or somebody else is in danger, or it feels like a situation might get dangerous and you need support right away, click here to find out how to contact the police. www.police.uk

NHS Choices Mental health services are free on the NHS.

To get urgent medical help, use the NHS 111 online service, or call 111 if you're unable to get help online. For life-threatening emergencies, call 999 for an ambulance. www.nhs.uk

Report abuse CEOP help children stay safe online. If anybody acts inappropriately towards you or another child or young person online (such as sexual chat or being asked to do something that makes you feel uncomfortable); you can report it here. www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre

Bullybusters is an anti-bullying initiative for children and young people. 0800 169 6928 www.bullybusters.org.uk

Parenting 2000 provides therapy, clinical help, and rehabilitation services. 01704 380047 www.parenting2000.org.uk

The Universal Services Guide

Sefton have created a guide detailing information for children aged 0-25 and their families who want to find out about support services available to them. This includes information about health professionals for all ages, leisure services, inclusive activities, and lots more.

https://www.seftondirectory.com/kb5/sefton/directory/advice.page?id=GK_tnRp_Tc

If you are worried about a child, please contact the Police in an emergency or to make a referral to Children's Social Care please follow this link <https://tinyurl.com/yywyg3or>

For non-emergencies, call [111](tel:111) or the MASH Team on [0151 934 4013](tel:01519344013).

SEND Support

Please follow the link below to see what support is on offer to families in the community of children who may have additional needs or struggles. There are sessions on sleep management, sensory workshops, eating etc. so help is available in so many ways.

<https://www.addvancedsolutions.co.uk/news/newsletters>



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Childhood Bereavement Network

A website of resources to support children and young people who have suffered bereavement.

www.childhoodbereavementnetwork.org.uk
www.childhoodbereavementnetwork.org.uk/training.aspx

Young Minds

Young Minds is a general mental health website, with a section on supporting children through grief and loss.

www.youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/parents-guide-to-support-a-z/parents-guide-to-support-grief-and-loss/

Winstons Wish

A website offering support for a child or young person around bereavement.

www.winstonswish.org

Hope Again

Resources for Children and Young People who suffered bereavement.

www.hopeagain.org.uk

Losing a child is the most traumatic experience anyone will face. There are specialist support services available for families that can be accessed directly by the family. Here is a list of resources available to help families in this difficult time.

Sands

A charity that supports families who have suffered a still born or miscarriage of a child.

www.sands.org.uk/

The Good Grief Trust

A website that offers general advice about bereavement including the loss of a child.

www.thegoodgrieftrust.org/

The Compassionate Friends

A website that offers support for families who have lost a child.

www.tcf.org.uk/

NHS Chathealth

If you are a parent of an 11–19-year-old, the NHS have launched a Chat Health text message service on 07312 263291. This service is confidential and anonymous.

E-safety

<https://www.familyeducation.com/mobile-apps/a-complete-guide-to-potentially-dangerous-apps-all-parents-should-be-aware-of>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://swgfl.org.uk/resources/online-safety-guidance-for-parents/>