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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

Together Trust Coffee Morning

This will be taking place next Wednesday 6th December from 10am. Please see further details at the end of this bulletin.

Work Experience – Miss V Waltho

Next week we are launching Work Experience with Year 10. The students will receive the information during their assembly on Tuesday 5th December and we would like to invite parents/carers of Year 10 students to attend a Work Experience information evening being held on Wednesday 6th December from 5 - 5.30pm.

This is a very exciting opportunity for our students, who will get the chance to experience the real-world work environment and as a school we are very much committed to making this a positive experience for all.

Year 9 Trip to Edge Hill – Mr P Venables



Today a number of Year 9 students had the opportunity to visit Edge Hill University to engage with the DiscoverSMART programme. This exciting opportunity allowed the students to gain an insight to what life would be like as a University student.

During the day the students had a campus tour which allowed them to see the different faculty areas of study, accommodation, performing arts, sporting facilities and food courts. The students also experienced a lecture in the lecture theatre where they engaged with a number of activities which focused on personality types for specific careers, guessing games which focused on celebrity's attending university and creating their own app which would support an individual starting life as a new University student.

Our students represented the school impeccably as always. We hope that having positive engagement with the activities has given them a clear understanding of what University could be like after college in a few years' time. Well done to all who attended the trip as the behaviour throughout the day was excellent.





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On behalf of Stanley High School, we would like to thank Edge Hill University for the fantastic experience and hope to do this experience again some time very soon.

Unilever visit – Mr M Royle

Mr Royle took 5 year 8 students to Unilever to attend a Workshop about how they make their products. We attended sessions delivered by Unilever staff about the steps involved in making their products including formulation, processing, digital marketing, consumer and data analysis.



We have been challenged to make our own product that fits a design brief using the information we learnt from the day. We will be entering into a 30-school competition in the hope that when we present our ideas in March, ours will be scaled up and made into a product.

School Term Dates

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

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 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.

December

Wednesday 6th SEND Together Trust Coffee Morning 10am-12noon
 Friday 8th INSET Day
 W/c 11th Celebration Assemblies
 Friday 15th Christmas Café 10am – 12.30pm
 Friday 15th Christmas Jumper Day
 Monday 18th Christmas Showcase 1.15pm
 Wednesday 20th End of Term 12noon

Attendance

We have a target of 95% attendance and work hard every day to beat this. The whole school attendance for week ending 24th November 2023 was 90.5%.

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 8JB, 7RP and 9HW 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

Textiles Mania – Year 8 students have been working really hard this week to complete their sugar skulls for their 'Day of the Dead' project. Students have learnt how to sew a button onto fabric, various different embroidery stitches including French Knots, Daisy stitch to name a couple. Students began their work by drawing sugar skulls and then; learning how to turn these into templates. Well done Year 8 the results are amazing.



Maths – Mrs Knox

Last week's solution

Problem of the week this week

Mrs. Knox's problem of the week:

535 people are asked what their favourite fruit is.
50 more people like apples than oranges.
Half as many people like pears as apples.
How many people said their favourite fruit is oranges?

Visual representations:

oranges	117	67	50	} 535
apples	117	117		
pears	117			

Calculations:

If we add 50 to 535, we would then have 5 bars of equal width: $535 + 50 = 585$
 $585 \div 5 = 117$
 Oranges: $117 - 50 = 67$
 $117 + 67 = 184$

Answer: 184 people

Last week's solution

Mrs. Knox's problem of the week:

The value of a car decreases by 25%.
The value of the car is now £4,992

What was the value of the car before the decrease?

(Hint: try to draw a bar model to help with this problem!)

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.



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Extra-Curricular Clubs

Maths

PUZZLE CLUB

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

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

**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

Technology

GCSE Food and Nutrition Aim Higher Session with Mrs Lyon

Tuesday Week B 3pm

Mr Sconce's KS3 Cooking Club

Tuesday Week A Sept- Oct half term
22 places

Christmas Cake Club
YEARS 9 AND 10

AFTER OCTOBER HALF TERM
22 PLACES AVAILABLE
3.15-4.30PM
SEE MR SCONCE

Tech Tuesday
3-4pm
TUESDAY WEEK A
STARTING W/C 4TH OCT
Miss Green R46
Mrs Lyon R44
Coursework Catch-up

Tech Tuesday
3-4pm
TUESDAY WEEK B
STARTING 27TH SEPT
MISS GREEN R46
SIGN UP FROM 14TH SEPTEMBER
22 PLACES

War Hammer Club
Thursday Lunch
KS3 Welcome
R45
Mrs Lyon



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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>

NSPCC

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>



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.

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>



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.

LIGHTS

Get lights that have controls to adjust the brightness and the flashing function

TAKE A BREAK

Christmas day can be intense...ensure there are opportunities for breaks, quiet space & keep headphones handy

PRESENTS

Not everyone likes presents, not everyone likes opening presents in front of others, not everyone likes the surprise of a wrapped gift

VISITS

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

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

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!

HAVING FUN

Create games that includes everyone...change the rules if you need to so that everyone can play



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



Set Up Safe Checklist

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

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



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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.advancedsolutions.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/>