



Stanhope Primary School

Strengths Celebrated, Achievements Recognised

Perseverance, Kindness, Enthusiasm, Independence, Respect, Resilience, Team-work

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Newsletter

Summer Term 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we start this final half term and look ahead to the summer holidays, I have been taking some time to reflect on everything our pupils have achieved over the course of this academic year.

The school is currently buzzing with excitement as we prepare for our upcoming sports days, end-of-term awards, Stanhope's Got Talent, and end of year celebrations. It is also a vital time of transition; watching our older pupils prepare for their next big steps while our younger years get ready to welcome new responsibilities. I am immensely proud of the maturity and enthusiasm our children have shown during these very busy weeks. Witnessing our school community come together to cross the finish line of another fantastic academic year brings me joy. There is a unique magic to these final weeks, filled with shared memories and the anticipation of new beginnings.

Key Dates for Summer Term 2

Wednesday 10th June – Year 6 Road Safety Talk

Friday 12th June – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR INSET DAY

Tuesday 16th June - Olympic Athlete visit

Thursday 18th June – Stanhope's Sports Day Years 1-6 from 12pm

Wednesday 1st July – 100% Attenders Cinema Trip

Thursday 2nd July – Stanhope's Sports Day Reception from 2pm

Friday 3rd July – Stanhope's Sports Day Morning Nursery from 10.15am and Afternoon Nursery races will start at 2.15pm.

Monday 6th July – Summer Fair from 3pm

Wednesday 8th July – End of Year Reports out

Thursday/Friday 9th/10th July – Year 6 Transition Days

Friday 10th July – Stanhope's Transition Day

Wednesday 15th July – Year 6 Leavers Party at 1.30pm

Thursday 16th July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly at 1.30pm

Friday 17th July – School Closes for the Summer Holidays

Tuesday 1st September - SCHOOL CLOSED FOR INSET DAY

Wednesday 2nd September 2026 – School reopens

Looking Ahead to a Packed Summer Term!

What a spectacular final half term we have ahead of us! The next few weeks are absolutely bursting with milestone events for our pupils. We are particularly thrilled to be welcoming an Olympic Athlete to school on Tuesday 16th June to inspire our children just two days before our main Sports Day on Thursday 18th June. With 3 separate Sports Day dates on the calendar, the energy on the field is going to be fantastic, and we cannot wait to welcome families to share in the fun and support the children.

Alongside our sporting events, preparation is well underway for our Summer Fair on Monday 6th July. Thanks to your incredible generosity during our non-uniform day earlier this year, we have a brilliant array of prizes and stalls ready. The *Friends of Stanhope* will be meeting over the next few weeks to put the final touches together, and we would love for new parents to join us and get involved. Please speak to Mrs Boardman for further information.



Transition

A vital part of this final half term is ensuring all our pupils feel confident, excited, and fully prepared for the next step in their educational journey. On **Friday 10th July**, we will be holding our main **Stanhope Transition Day**, where children across the school will spend the day getting a taste of life in their new classrooms with their new teachers.

This day is particularly significant for our current **Reception children** as they prepare to step up into Year 1 this September. To help them feel secure with the changes ahead, Miss Holyoak will be organising "practice runs" with the children, showing them how they will enter the school via the **Gresford Street gate** on transition day and from the new academic year onwards.

Finally, this half term is a deeply significant time for transition. Our Year 6 pupils are preparing for their Transition Days at their prospective comprehensive schools on the 9th and 10th July.

New Classes for September 2026

Nursery – Mrs H Barker
Reception – Miss N Holyoak
Year 1 – Mrs M Harvey
Year 2 – Mrs C Henderson
Year 3 – Mrs A Ali & Miss K Anglin
Year 4 – Miss E Taylor
Year 5 – Miss P Corr
Year 6 – Mrs G Boardman & Mrs L Craig

Staffing Updates

We have several staffing changes here at Stanhope Primary School:

Mr Steven Clark our wonderful Site Manager, and longest standing member of staff will be taking a well-deserved retirement at the end of this academic year. Mr Clark has had an admirable 26 years of dedicated service to education at Stanhope, we wish him the very best for the future in his retirement, spending more time with his family. We thank him for his hard work, contribution and dedication to our Stanhope Community. Further information on his replacement will be announced in our final letter before the Summer Holidays.

This summer, Miss Capon is getting married! When she returns for the new school year in September, she will be known as Mrs. Armstrong. We wish the happy couple a lifetime of love and happiness on their special day and beyond.

We are excited to share that Mrs. Wright will be taking maternity leave next academic year. Leading the Year 4 class will be Miss Emily Taylor. Miss Taylor has already been working within the school and spending quality time with her new students. She is a fantastic addition to our teaching team, and we wish Mrs. Wright all the best as she prepares for her new arrival.

We have recently appointed two new supervisory assistants, Miss Shannon Wallace and Miss Michelle Griffin, who will be working alongside our lunchtime staff. Additionally, Miss Bates has now left us to begin her maternity leave. We send her our warmest wishes!

We extend a massive Stanhope welcome to them all!

Warm regards,
Mr A Rogers
Head Teacher

