



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,

What a busy final term of the academic year it has been, with just a week to go. It has been a pleasure to read the children's reports and to reflect upon all of their hard work, their dedication to learning and all of their individual achievements. We are so proud of them all! A huge thank you to the School Council, the Mini Medics, OPAL Ambassadors, Wellbeing Warriors and to all of the children who have represented school as part of a team or at any event this year.

We also say a fond farewell to our Year 6 children next week and we wish them the best of luck in the next stage of their learning journey. We know you will continue to thrive.

I hope you all have a wonderful, well deserved, summer holiday and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on **Wednesday 2nd September**.

Key Dates for Autumn Half Term 1 2026

Tuesday 1st September - SCHOOL CLOSED FOR INSET DAY

Wednesday 2nd September – School reopens

Friday 18th September – Reception Parents Phonics Talk

Monday 21st September – Flu Vaccinations

Tuesday 22nd September – Class Photographs

Tuesday 29th September – Y2 Open Zone Visit

Wednesday 30th September – Y1 Parents Phonics Talk 3:15pm

Tuesday 6th October – Reception Open Evening for 2027 starters 3:30pm

Tuesday 6th October – Y3 Open Zone Visit

Tuesday 6th October – Y6 Centre for Life Visit

Friday 9th October – World Mental Health Day (Wear something yellow)

Monday 12th – 16th October – Reception Parent Stay and Play

Tuesday 13th October – Parent Interviews

Wednesday 14th October – Parent Interviews

Wednesday 21st October – Y5/6 Maths Café 9am

Thursday 22nd October – Y3/4 Maths Café 9am

Thursday 22nd October – Halloween dress up and disco

Friday 23rd October – Nursery Class Assemblies

Achievers Award Winners

The 2 Stanhope Strengths we have focussed on in Summer Term 2 are Perseverance/ Enthusiasm. It has been wonderful to share these special assemblies with our award winning families. Winners for Summer Term 2:



Reception: Miguel Palomar
 Year 1: Vinni Ebanks
 Year 2: Leo Goldberg-Brown
 Year 3: Tyler Mortimer
 Year 4: Emma Yordanova
 Year 5: Olivia May
 Year 6: Nayana Dutt

Sports Day

Teams completed in their class groups, this year as House Teams, earning points for their performances, with every child in schools' scores contributing to the overall totals. Final Team Scores resulted in Yellow House being crowned champions, Blue 2nd, Green 3rd and Red 4th.

Each team leader also selected 2 Stars of the Day. There were 6 sprint and 6 distance Showcase Races for outstanding individuals - Winners were:

Y1/2 Sprint Boys	Great Ikponwomba	Y1/2 Distance Boys	Bobby Freeman
Y1/2 Sprint Girls	Chloe Elsy	Y1/2 Distance Girls	Amari-Jo Connor
Y3/4 Sprint Boys	Perez Onowochi	Y3/4 Distance Boys	Lwandile Ndlovu
Y3/4 Sprint Girls	Emilly Dju'co	Y3/4 Distance Girls	Emma Yordanova
Y5/6 Sprint Boys	Maro Awhatorhe	Y5/6 Distance Boys	Winston Oloko
Y5/6 Sprint Girls	Ava Sharp	Y5/6 Distance Girls	Priyal Prusty

Sporting Success

We continue to hold the School Games Platinum Mark for the second occasion in succession. The award is a prestigious, Government-led award scheme in the UK that recognises schools for their sustained, long-term commitment to the development of competition, physical education, and sports across their school. A tremendous achievement for our school and I was incredibly proud to be interviewed by the Gazette to celebrate our wonderful schools' achievement.

Firstly, and most significantly we competed in our fourth National Finals for Dodgeball in Kettering. They were part of the final 20 teams in the whole of Britain with over 400 schools participating in the County Finals round alone! It was a tremendous day, memorable for all of the children, although we unfortunately failed to progress to the quarter-finals. The children were a credit to Stanhope, reaching the finals in itself was a tremendous achievement. They played well, but the run of luck just wasn't with us today. We came up against some tremendous teams and had a wonderful experience nevertheless, losing only to the team that won the event. It was a long day after a 5:30am start and 9pm return to school, but as we head home, we all hold our heads high. A big thank you also to Miss Simpson for her support and Mrs Ainsley for driving us.

Summer Fair

We had another successful Summer Fair on Monday 6th July with support from Friends of Stanhope. So far the grand total raised stands at £1725.70, with more money to be added to the



final total. A big thank you to Mrs Boardman for leading and the staff and parents for their support and efforts. £1000 will be donated to our EYFS big parts and outdoor area provision, other money raised will be going towards resources for our new Art and DT curriculum.

Athlete

We raised £1,158.90, from your sponsorships kindly made in relation to our 'Great Athletes' visit. The children thoroughly enjoyed the sporting event and assembly too. Thank you for your efforts, this money will be used to purchase much needed sports equipment for all of the children to use.

Retirement

As mentioned in my previous letter, Mr Steven Clark our wonderful Site Manager, and longest standing member of staff is taking his well-deserved retirement this week. He will be sorely missed by us all. We have, however, successfully appointed Michael Robertson to replace Mr Clark, we are sure he will be a great addition to our team.

Warm regards,
Mr A Rogers
Head Teacher

