

# Head's Up!

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Dear Parents and Friends of Stafford Manor,

Where does the time go during the half term? As we move into the penultimate week of this half term I would like to remind you just how important attendance is at school for your child's well being, general social and cultural development and also their academic development too.

Please make sure that your child attends every day over the next two weeks. Our attendance continues to be significantly better than this time last year and that is down to the excellent work of school staff to make our school unmissable and unforgettable.

### **VIP Lounge and Attendance Matters Rewards**

Students will be able to get hot chocolate and biscuits from the VIP Lounge for the last two weeks of this half term. Vouchers are given by staff to any student who has worked hard in their lesson, or who has completed fantastic work etc. Amazon vouchers will also be up for grabs to any students with 100% attendance in the last two weeks of term but, you have to be in it to win it.

### **Parent and Student voice.**

We will be running our annual parent and student voice activities prior to half term, so please watch out for direct communication and as part of this Head's Up bulletin, so that your views about our school and the provision on offer for your children can be shared effectively and acted upon by school leaders.

### **E-Scooters**

Reminder that E-Scooters are not to be brought onto the school premises. It is illegal to use them on the road or in public spaces, such as parks, street pavements, and shopping centres. Please have a look at the [link](#) for further information.

### **Year 9 Immunisations—6 March 2025**

Information has been sent home to parents this week about the immunisations that are taking place on 6 March.

### **Year 11 Mock Exams—week commencing 10 February**

Thanks to those parents who attended Year 11 Parents Evening. The event was well attended and there were some really positive conversations between staff, students and parents about how Year 11 can continue to make progress with their learning and development this year.

### **Please see the Year 11 Mock Exam timetable on page 2!**

Have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing our students next week.

Best wishes, as always

**Rhys Adams**  
**Headteacher**

## Assessment Window 2: 10<sup>th</sup> February

10 <sup>th</sup> Feb – 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Session 1: P1-2		Session 2: P3-4		Session 3: P5	
	Exam:	Additional	Exam:	Additional	Exam:	Additional
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	English Language	09:30-11:15			Business	13:30-15:15
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Maths	09:45-11:15			Geography	13:45-15:15
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Biology 09:15 – 10:25	Sep Biology 09:15 – 11:00			PE Media	13:45-15:15 <i>Non audio</i>
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb			History 1	11:30 – 13:15		
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Chemistry 09:15 – 10:25	Sep Chemistry 09:15 – 11:00			French Writing	H: 14:00-15:15 F: 14:00-15:00

24 <sup>th</sup> Feb – 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Session 1: P1-2		Session 2: P3-4		Session 3: P5	
	Exam:	Additional	Exam:	Additional	Exam:	Additional
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Textiles and Art All Day.					
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	History 2	09:30 – 11:15				
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	English Literature	09:00-11:15				
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	DT Business	09:00-11:00 09:00-10:45	Maths	12:00-13:30	<b>NO EXAM DUE TO PARENTS EVENING SET UP</b>	
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<b>NO EXAM DUE TO PARENTS EVENING SET UP</b>					

3 <sup>rd</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Session 1: P1-2		Session 2: P3-4		Session 3: P5	
	Exam:	Additional	Exam:	Additional	Exam:	Additional
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	ICT	09:45 – 11:15			History 3	14:15-15:15
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Maths	09:45-11:15			Media	13:45-15:15 <i>Audio</i>
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Physics 09:15 – 10:25	Sep Physics 09:15 – 11:00				

**French Speaking will be ongoing from the 4<sup>th</sup> March.**

## Headteacher's Award for this week

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Conor Robinson	Harry Kemsley	Louis Smith	Ethan Colligan-Liddle	Vasil Kartalov
Seren Jenkins	Stanley Ruty	Thomas Brown	Jack Harding	Lyle Ayris
Edward Ponting	Aiden Hemming	Ryan Mpambe	Lauren Davies	Isla McGirk
Kian James	Harry Marsh	Maxley Penlington	Lucas Bennett	Ben Mountford
Moustafa Abouzeid	Jacob Radford	Leighton Knox	Shakira-May Oliver	Scarlet Mountford

### OUR Values and Behaviour Expectations

Ready	Respectful	Responsible	Resilient
Attending every day	Using good manners	Being accountable	Staying on task
Being on time	Listening to my teacher	Knowing my role	Not giving up
Wearing full uniform	Respecting myself	Meeting deadlines	Avoiding distractions
Bringing my equipment	Showing others respect	Not blaming others	Coping with setbacks
Completing homework	Allowing others to learn	Managing my behaviour	Being comfortable to FAIL
Lining up quietly	Being calm	Doing my best work	Overcoming difficulties

### School Vision and Values



'Every child reaching their full potential'



Community

- Safe and welcoming
- Proud of our school
- Inclusive and Equitable
- Focussed on People
- Celebrate Success



Aspiration

- High Expectations
- Ambitious for all
- Take the initiative
- Pursue Excellence
- Positive Destinations



Respect

- Excellent Behaviour
- Manners and honesty
- Listen and appreciate
- Show up every day on time
- Be kind, be learning



Endeavour

- Be determined
- Be resilient and bounce back
- Challenge yourself and others
- Work hard and don't give up
- The Struggle helps us develop



Over 99,000 achievement points given out since September!! A big well done to those students making the positive choices within school and those being recognised for their hard work!

### Overview on Achievement Points 2024-25

01/08/2024 - 31/01/2025

Name ↓	Positive
Year 7	26173
Year 8	23097
Year 9	19670
Year 10	16240
Year 11	14540

If any parents require support with logging in to **Class Charts** please contact the main office who will be happy to assist.

## Punctuality:

We have had a few students arrive late to school this week, please be reminded that any student who do not attend their tutor line up by 8.45am will be late. We encourage all students to be on the main playground by 8.40am.

## Behaviour system and consequences:



Ready	Respectful	Responsible	Resilient
Attending every day	Engaged in lessons	Being accountable	Working on our
Being on time	Listening to the teacher	Working to the best	Not giving up
Working full effort	Respecting myself	Working together	Working hard when
Engaging in activities	Working when asked	Not leaving class	Working with effort
Completing homework	Working others to learn	Working to the best	Working hard when
Being in school	Being safe	Using the best work	Working with effort

### Detention 2024

Detention time	Reason	Location
30 Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lates</li> <li>Uniform</li> <li>Class Detention (not removed from lesson)</li> </ul>	RESET at Lunch time (1.30-2pm)
60 minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HOF referral</li> <li>Failed 30 minutes detention</li> </ul>	School hall after school (3.15pm until 4.15pm)
90 Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Failed 60 minute detention</li> <li>Refusal to hand in phone/headphones.</li> <li>Failed HOF</li> </ul>	School hall after school (3.15pm – 4.45pm)

You can see if you child has a detention by logging into Class Charts.

## Assemblies this half term



## MARTIN LUTHER KING

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025



## Week 5: Commencing 03/02:

### HEADS UP:

#### Core Knowledge: Performing Arts (KS3) and Option Subjects (GCSE)

For Years 7, 8 and 9, this week's core knowledge focus is Performing Arts. For Year 10 and 11, the focus is *a different* option subject from last week. Please spend some time with your child finishing the flash cards they have started in tutor.

Ask them the questions on the front of the cards and see if they know the answers.

If they know the answers, put the cards away and ask them again the next day.

If they don't know the answers, tell them and ask them again until they start to remember them.

For more information on how to use flash cards to aid long term learning, scan the QR code on the right.



## Year 9 Immunisations

Immunisations for Year 9 students will be taking place on Thursday 6 March 2025. These immunisations are for Meningitis ACWY and Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio.

- Meningitis ACWY vaccination helps to protect your child against four types of meningococcal bacteria that can cause meningitis (inflammation of the lining of the brain) and septicaemia (blood poisoning). These diseases are very serious and can kill, especially if not diagnosed early.
- The 3 in 1 Teenage booster vaccination protects against Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio. This should be the fifth dose which completes the childhood course; it boosts protection which was started when your child was young.

If your child is in Year 9 please complete the online consent form using the [link](#).

You can also watch a short video regarding the vaccination and how to complete the online consent form:

[Your Teenager's Booster Vaccinations' Information for Parents—You Tube](#)



  
Midlands Partnership University  
NHS Foundation Trust

School Age Immunisation Service  
0300 124 0366  
Monday – Friday 8:30am-12:30PM

## Advice on using E-Scooters

### What is an E-Scooter?



Electrical scooters come under the category of 'powered transporters'. This covers a range of personal transport devices that are powered by a motor. E-Scooters are classed as motor vehicles under the Road Traffic Act 1988. This means the rules that apply to motor vehicles, also apply to E-Scooters including the need to have a licence and insurance.

If you own an E-Scooter you are only able to use this on private land, such as in your garden.

E-Scooters are not to be bought onto the school site at any time.

## London Theatre Visit

There is one space available for this trip. However, due to bedroom allocation, this needs to be a female student. Please see Mrs Mandley on Monday if you are interested.

Please ensure that any outstanding London medical forms have been given to Mrs Mandley and all outstanding payments are made by Friday 7 February. Thank you.



## Music Technology Session

One of our students will be running a music technology session to introduce students to Band Lab. This piece of software can be used for students who are doing performing arts in Year 10. This can also be used for any students who are thinking of taking the subject in the future, or you may just have an interest in how to use and manipulate sounds.

This session will take place on Tuesday at 1.45—2.15 am in A7 Students can bring their lunch to the session.

## Apprenticeship Expo for Year 10

Places for this exciting event are filling up quickly. There are just a few places available for any Year 10 student who may be interested.

If your child would like to attend, please complete and return the consent form as soon as possible.

Miss Mee



**BIG APPRENTICESHIP EXPO**

3pm-6pm

*Are you ready to explore exciting career pathways?*  
Join us at the **Staffordshire Provider Network** event, where you will have the chance to meet and connect with a wide range of apprenticeship providers.

Scan the QR Codes below for more information and book:

Stoke-on-Trent : 11<sup>th</sup> Feb      Stafford: 12<sup>th</sup> Feb





# MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM IS HERE TO HELP PARENTS

FREE 1 HOUR ONLINE WORKSHOP TO HELP PARENTS  
SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN WITH ANXIETY



Thursday 6th February at 6pm

Book your tickets using the QR  
code below:



Talk to the Mental Health Lead in your school for  
more information

Follow us on Twitter, Facebook and  
Instagram @SouthStaffsMHST

SMHS Community Support Hub  
And  
SMHS Food Hub

**Open to all**

**Wednesday : 2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.**

**Friday : 11.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.**