

Head's Up!

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Dear Parents and Friends of Stafford Manor,

Attendance still matters

A huge thank you to all families for continuing to support our drive on improving attendance. The school is currently 1.5% above attendance rates for this time last year. Please remember that in order to access gold and silver rewards at the end of this term, your children need to attend school well and be above 95% and 92% attendance for the year so far.

Please continue to support the school and ensure your children attend every day. Being here at school gives them the best chance of being successful!

Rewards And Celebrations Day—Thursday 18th December

A reminder please that we will be running more unmissable and unforgettable rewards experiences linked to attendance and behaviour on Thursday 18th December.

Gold (95%+ attendance) reward experience this half term will be: Christmas FILM, FEAST AND FUN

Silver (92%+ attendance) reward experience this half term will be: Festive FILM with tuckshop

Bronze (below 92% attendance) reward experience this half term will be: Festive Activities

12 days of Christmas! - Attendance matters

Any students who have 100% attendance for the last 12 days, will be placed into a prize draw for a range of Christmas gifts which will be drawn out of Santa's Sack on the last day of term. You have to be in it to win it! Vouchers, sports equipment, gifts and other goodies will all be available to draw on the final morning of this term! Father Christmas will be making an appearance on the last day to drop off gifts to all those who attend for the last 12 days.

Festive Friday Fun! - Final Day Arrangements and Non—Uniform

Advanced notice and a reminder please that the school will be finishing on Friday 19 December at 12.30pm. Please do ensure your children attend that day because we will be having a range of lessons and activities that are fun and enjoyable for your children during the morning. In addition, children will be able to wear non uniform /Christmas jumpers for the day. **We are asking for a donation of £1 to support our local food bank as part of this special day.** Please donate what you can here.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle into school each day. We are supplying and increasing number of cups to children each day.

Best wishes,

Rhys Adams
Headteacher

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



Class Charts – Behaviour and Achievement system.

95,000 points so far! Can we hit 100,000 points by Christmas!?

Parental Info

01/08/2025 - 05/12/2025

Name ↓	Positive
Year 7	26015
Year 8	24030
Year 9	19944
Year 10	14352
Year 11	13024



🎄 12 Days of Christmas Challenge 🎄

Starting **Monday, 1st December**, we'll be launching a **12 Days of Christmas Challenge** for all students!

For 12 days, we'll be tracking **Attendance** and **Behaviour**.

If you finish the challenge with:

- ✓ **95% attendance** AND
- ✓ **0-10 behaviour points**,

you'll earn a festive reward: **non-school uniform** on **Thursday 18th December** and **Friday 19th December 2025!**

Students who do not meet the criteria will need to wear **full school uniform** on Thursday 18th December.

Good news: For these 12 days, your attendance and behaviour points will reset—so everyone has a fresh start and a chance to succeed!

“Make Every Day Count – Your Festive Reward Awaits!”

Please check your child's behaviours and attitudes through our ClassCharts parent app – if you need your code please contact reception and we will be happy to help

Higher Horizons Literacy Club

Over the last three weeks, Higher Horizons Literacy Club have been coming into school, working with small groups of pupils in Year 8 and 9.

Together they have been reading short stories with a view to improving reading ability, comprehension and the use of different vocabulary techniques such as similes.

The pupils have thoroughly enjoyed their time with them, and we look forward to working with Higher Horizons again the Spring Term.



Year 10 Cooking

Year 10 students have been making winter vegetable soup in their DT lessons this week.



SMHS Community Support Hub And SMHS Food Hub

SMHS Community Support Hub and Food Hub are open every Wednesday and Friday for all our parents. You can pop along and have a coffee and a chat. There is also food available for collection to help support you.

The Community Support Hub is also open during our Parents Evenings.

Open to all– please come along

Wednesday—2.00 —4.00 pm

Friday—11.00 am—1.00 pm