



Stafford Manor  
High School

December 2022

# Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been another successful term for all at Stafford Manor High School and the whole school community is looking forward to a well-earned rest over the Christmas holiday, so they can be fully refreshed for 2023.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support for the school and extend my very best wishes to you and your family at this time.

We have done lots of excellent work this term, which has focussed on celebrating success and putting things in place to further improve the school.

Please could you click the link below and complete the parent voice survey as soon as possible. I look forward to sharing the feedback from student and parent voice with you in January.

**Parent Voice Link:** [SMHS Parent Voice December 2022](#)

**Students return to school on Tuesday 3 January at the normal time.**

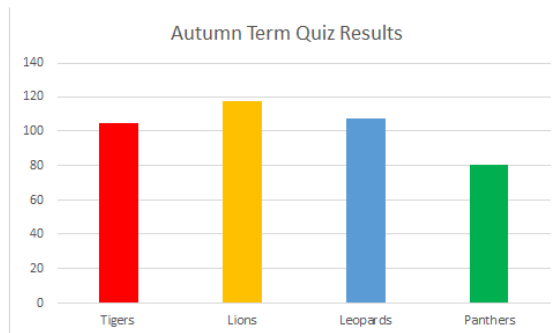
## 100% daily attendance challenge and rewards

During our first week back, any student who attends school will be entered into a prize draw to win a £10 voucher each day between Tuesday 3 January and Friday 6 January 2023. We will drawing names out of a hat and issuing amazon vouchers to the value of £10 for 2 lucky students in each year group each day if they attend school.

In addition, we will also be issuing a wide range of other raffle prizes throughout January for any students who have 100% attendance each week on a Monday.

I hope you enjoy learning about all of the great things that have taken place this term at Stafford Manor High School and I wish you and your families a fantastic Christmas break.

## House System



Every week Mrs Sims turns quiz master and each tutor group competes in the Friday Quiz challenge, leading the autumn term is the mighty Lions who are our current quiz champions with 118 points, closely follow by the Leopards with 108.



## Key Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 3 January 2023—Students return to school  
Tuesday 10 January 2023—Y8 Parents Evening (Virtual)  
Tuesday 24 January 2023—Y11 Parents Evening and Y12/13 Parents Evening (Virtual)  
Monday 20 to Friday 24 February—Half Term  
Monday 27 February 2023—Students return to school  
Tuesday 7 March 2023—Year 7 Parents Evening (Virtual)  
Monday 3 to Friday 14 April—Easter Holiday

## Thank you

Thank you to  
Cannock Chase Forest

Christmas Trees  
for our amazing  
tree.



# Remembrance Service— Friday 11 November

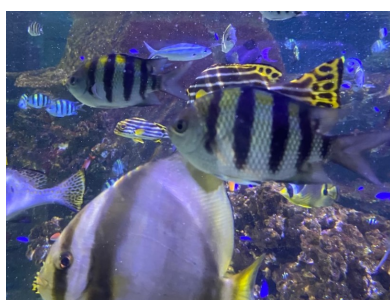
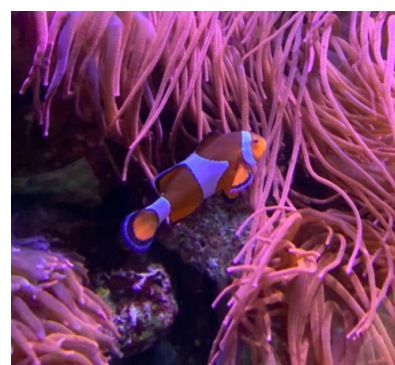
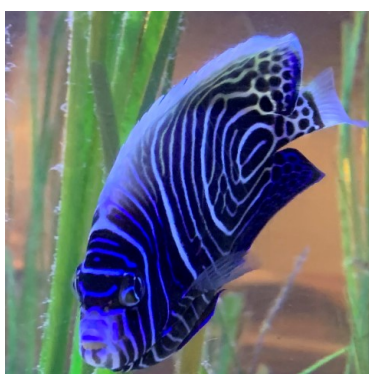


Stafford Manor High School were very proud to hold their first Remembrance Service outside this year.

It was a pleasure to see how the students paid their respects on this important day.

We are hoping to make this an even better event next year.

## Students Visit Blue Planet Aquarium



The textile department organised a trip to visit the Blue Planet Aquarium at Cheshire Oaks in October 2022. The purpose of the visit was to take a variety of photographs for their GCSE work.

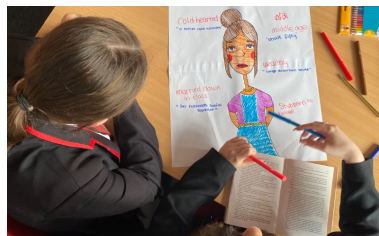
The students took lots of amazing photographs which will support their overall grade for their GCSE coursework.



## Tutor Reads



Tutor Reads is now under way and all year groups are being read to by their form tutor. I have had a number of staff and students tell me how much they are enjoying that time together in the morning. It is something different and the books we are reading are really interesting.



Staff and students alike are becoming invested in their characters and are keen to know when we are reading again. We dedicated an entire week of tutor time to Tutor Reads a couple of weeks ago. We spent time as tutors not only reading to our groups but also discussing the characters, giving our opinions of them and where we thought our books would go next. We already have our favourite parts, favourite characters. We even have some tutors giving individual voices to the different characters!

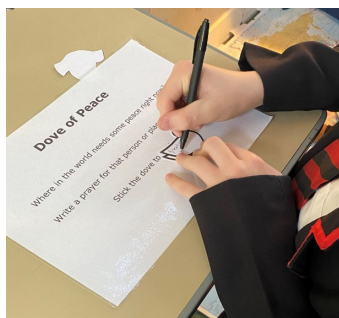
It is so encouraging to hear students talking about their Tutor Reads book and even better that they are actively engaged in talking about the characters, plot and themes in a mature and passionate way.

## Youth Net Visit

Youth Net visited Year 7 classes at Stafford Manor High School to talk about Advent and the meaning behind the Christmas traditions that we have.

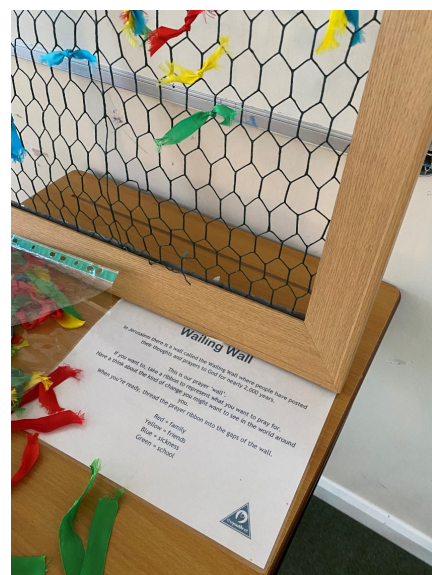
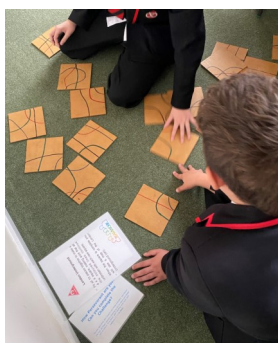


## Sacred Space—14+15 November



We were delighted to welcome Youth Net in to deliver a 'Sacred Space' workshop with the theme of *healthy relationships, community and mental health*.

We were really lucky to be able to host this fantastic event for our students. The two days involved Year 7 and 8 students.



# SMHS World Cup

Year 7 Winners (France : Blue—Leopards)

Year 8 Winners (Spain : Red—Tigers)

Year 9 Winners (Portugal : Blue-Leopards)

Year 10 Winners (Switzerland : Blue-Leopards)

Year 11 Winners (Wales : Red-Tigers)



## Food Bank Collection

Student Council arranged a food collection during assemblies and this proved to be very popular. Families and students donated non-perishable items and we had sufficient to be able to donate to two worthy causes.



Stafford Manor High School donated half of the collection to The House of Bread and the other went to a local community larder based at the Methodist Church at Rising Brook.



## Festive Films and Feast Reward



Thursday 15 December started with students having a non-school uniform day (or they could wear a Christmas Jumper) with donations of £1.00 being made to support the school library.

Students were given a "Golden Ticket" to be able to attend a Festive Films and Feast Rewards event which took place in the school day.