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STOPSLEY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 17th October 2025

HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

Dear all,

I am delighted to share with you that following the Parent Governor vacancy advertised in the newsletter a few weeks ago and the ballot, Dawn Vivian has been appointed for the position of Parent Governor for a term of four years. The Local Governing Body and I look forward to working alongside Dawn and the rest of the Local Governing Body in the year ahead.

We have successfully completed the first half term of this academic year. I know that students and staff alike are looking forward to some relaxation and re-energising over the half term break. A further reminder that we have a two week half term this term only so the school will be closed Monday 20th October to Friday 31st October. We will welcome students back on Monday 3rd November at the normal time on a week B timetable.

Mr Wise, Mr Swain, Ms Sanchez and Mr Sicheri-Peel are taking 38 students away to Blue Peris Mountain and Outdoor Education Centre from 19th to 24th October where students (and the staff too) will have the opportunity to complete Canoeing, Kayaking, Abseiling, Hill walking and Mountaineering, River/gorge walking and rock climbing to name but a few of the activities. I can't wait to see the photos of their adventures and will be sure to share them with you!!

I would like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday.

Thank you to parents, carers, students and staff for your ongoing support,

Ms Hand

Year 7 Pumpkin Carving and Decorating Competition 2025

Our Year 7 students have truly embraced the spooky season with this year's Pumpkin Carving and Decorating Competition!

Last night, students joined Ms Stewart after school to carve and decorate their pumpkins, filling the room with creativity (and plenty of pumpkin seeds!). The designs ranged from spooky faces to imaginative characters — and it was fantastic to see so much effort and enthusiasm.

This morning, even more pumpkins arrived from students who had been busy crafting their masterpieces at home. Altogether, we had over 27 incredible entries, each one showing brilliant originality and Halloween spirit.

The judging took place during a special spooky-themed Year 7 assembly, where the pumpkins were proudly displayed. Making the final decision wasn't easy, but our Senior Deputy Headteacher, Mrs Whitting, bravely took on the challenge!

1st Place: Renis
2nd Place: Max
3rd Place: Imogen

A huge well done to everyone who took part — your creativity made this year's competition one to remember!