

# STOPSLEY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 13TH MARCH 2026

## HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE



Dear all,

It has been another busy week for Year 11 students and staff with the Food Preparation & Nutrition practical assessments taking place as well as Spanish and French speaking mock exams.

Thank you to all the year 9 parents and carers who attended Parents Evening on Wednesday. We look forward to welcoming students, parents and carers to their Making Choices appointment on Monday evening.

The last day of the Spring term is Friday 27th March. We will be having a staggered dismissal on that day. Students entitled to a Free School Meal will be able to collect a lunch bag to take home with them.

The timings for student dismissal are as follows:

Year 11 - From 11:35

Year 10 - From 11:40

Year 7 - From 11:45

Year 8 - From 11:50

Year 9 - From 11:55

I would also like to draw your attention to Monday 13th April which is an INSET day where our teachers are focussing on their curriculum plans for the year ahead. Therefore students will return to school on Tuesday 14th April on a Week B timetable.

Have a lovely weekend all,

Ms Hand

THIS WEEK'S ISSUE:  
HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

PARKING REMINDER

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

TRANSITION TOP TIP

UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS:

TERM ENDS - FRIDAY 27TH  
MARCH

STAGGERED DISMISSAL - 27TH MARCH

YEAR 11 - FROM 11:35  
YEAR 10 - FROM 11:40  
YEAR 7 - FROM 11:45  
YEAR 8 - FROM 11:50  
YEAR 9 - FROM 11:55

TERM STARTS - MONDAY 13TH APRIL  
(INSET DAY)

TUESDAY 14TH APRIL - WHOLE  
SCHOOL RETURNS

ATTENDANCE NOTICE:

CAN PARENTS/CARERS PLEASE  
INFORM THE SCHOOL IF YOUR CHILD  
IS UNWELL AS WE ARE MONITORING  
ATTENDANCE. REPORT THIS THE  
NORMAL WAY BY CONTACTING THE  
ATTENDANCE NUMBER: 01582 870912  
OR THE EMAIL ADDRESS:  
ATTENDANCE@STOPSLEYHIGHSCHOOL.CO.UK

WORK WITH US: 

CLICK HERE OR VISIT MY NEW TERM  
TO FIND CURRENT VACANCIES  
AVAILABLE AT STOPSLEY HIGH  
SCHOOL.

REMINDER

PLEASE ENSURE THE SCHOOL IS  
MADE AWARE OF ANY CHANGES  
TO EXISTING MEDICAL  
CONDITIONS OR NEW MEDICAL  
CONDITIONS FOR YOUR CHILD.

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FACEBOOK. FOLLOW US FOR  
UPDATES AND MORE.



## PUBLISHING & JOURNALISM VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAMME

Penguin, the UK's largest publisher, has partnered with SpringPod to bring virtual work experiences to students aged 13+. Over the course of the programme, students will explore how a book goes from concept ideas to being on shelves and screens and discover the roles and skills that make publishing one of the most exciting and influential industries out there. Students can work through the programme at their own pace and will receive a certificate on completion. There's over 7 hours' worth of content and is available on demand, until 29th June 2026. To find out more, click here.

## PARKING REMINDER

Reminder: When picking up or dropping students, please do not park on the yellow lines directly outside of school. Please park in the bays provided.



## Molly M - 9E

After training with the U14s and U16s this year, Molly earned a spot to represent Bedfordshire County Hockey at the U17s tournament. Competing against Suffolk, Essex, Cambridgeshire, and Hertfordshire, she helped the team secure an impressive Silver medal. Congratulations, Molly!



## Transition Tips

The Importance of Punctuality

Arriving on time is key to a good start each day. In the morning, students enter the school building and wait in the canteen until staff signal for form time.



**Moving to Secondary School**

- A Note from Mr Rowles & Mr Blanchard

## Lexia Achievements of the Week

Top Lexia Users This Week:

1. Samawia Q. - 107 minutes
2. Alisha B. - 104 minutes
3. Arta T. - 103 minutes
4. Oliver C. - 102 minutes
5. Mario B. and Mario C. - 90 minutes

SECURED YOUR SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACE?  
STILL DECIDING?

# DISCOVERY EVENT

THURSDAY 26TH MARCH 2026 | 4PM-6PM

STEP INTO THE CLASSROOM

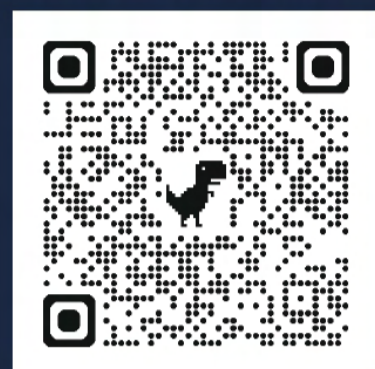
EXPLORE OUR FACILITIES

MEET OUR TOP CLASS STAFF & STUDENTS

FEEL THE COMMUNITY SPIRIT

THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO  
GET A REAL FEEL FOR  
WHAT MAKES STOPSLEY  
HIGH SCHOOL SPECIAL.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO  
BOOK YOUR PLACE!



OR FOLLOW THE LINK:  
[WWW.TRANSITION-STOPSLEYHIGHSCHOOL.CO.UK](http://WWW.TRANSITION-STOPSLEYHIGHSCHOOL.CO.UK)



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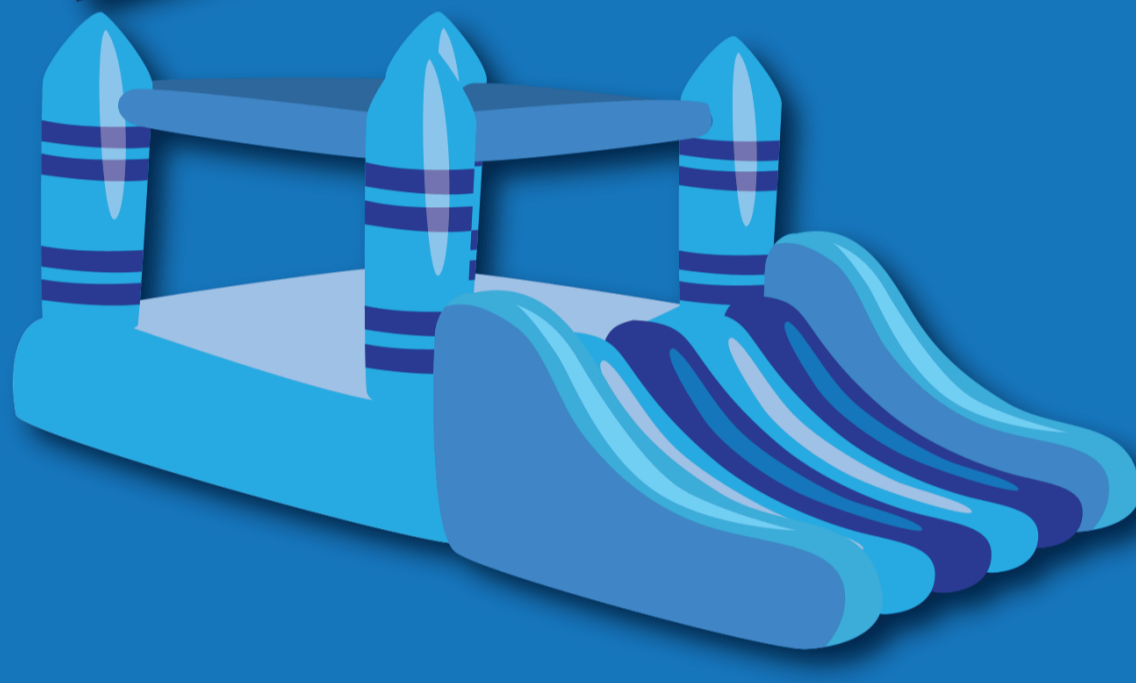
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T: 01582 870900



## INFLATABLE OBSTACLE COURSE EVENT!

YEAR 7 ONLY EVENT



GET READY FOR AN EPIC EVENT JUST FOR YEAR 7  
STUDENTS!

THURSDAY 16TH APRIL 2026

3:30PM - 5:30PM

STOPSLEY HIGH SCHOOL

PAY VIA IPAY £6.00 BY 26TH MARCH 2026

A GREAT WAY TO HAVE FUN WITH FRIENDS AND CREATE LASTING MEMORIES!



We are delighted to let you know bookings are now open!

Free Holiday Camps for children on free school meals

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April**

Book online at [www.energiseluton.co.uk](http://www.energiseluton.co.uk)

or call 01582 400272 to find out more.

What's included?

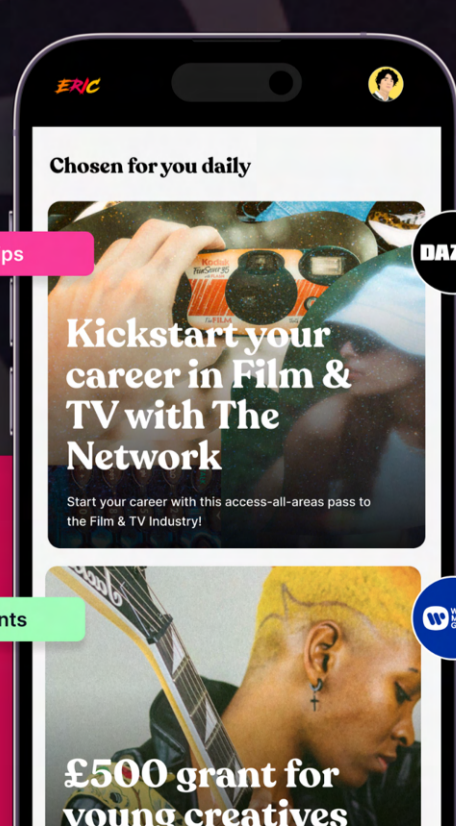
Tasty nutritious meals with friends | Enriching activities  
such as arts & crafts, swimming, music, creative games  
and fun activities.



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