

STOPSLEY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 15TH MAY 2026

HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE



Dear all,

Year 11 are fully into the swing of their GCSE exams now with a whole host of exam papers having been completed. Form tutors have them in excellent routines that mean they come to the assembly hall calm and clear on what to do next. They have also really benefited from staff providing reassurance and last minute nuggets of information by coming into the hall and individual drop in sessions being offered. The invigilators and all staff continue to be impressed with the positive attitude and maturity the students are demonstrating in completing their exams. In summary I couldn't be prouder of them!

This week tutor groups worked together to search the school for 42 hidden Human Rights icons placed in strategic locations around the school site. They were tasked with not only finding the icons, but also explaining why they thought each one had been placed in that specific area. It was a fantastic challenge that encouraged teamwork, discussion and a deeper understanding of rights across our school community. Well done to everyone who took part!

Also just to highlight that we have an early finish on Friday 22nd May. Students will be dismissed from school from 1:30pm on Friday 22nd May 2026.

Have a safe and enjoyable weekend everyone,

Ms Hand

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UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS:

HALF TERM - 25TH TO 29TH MAY
MONDAY 1ST JUNE - WHOLE SCHOOL RETURNS
TERM ENDS - MONDAY 20TH JULY (INSET DAY)

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.

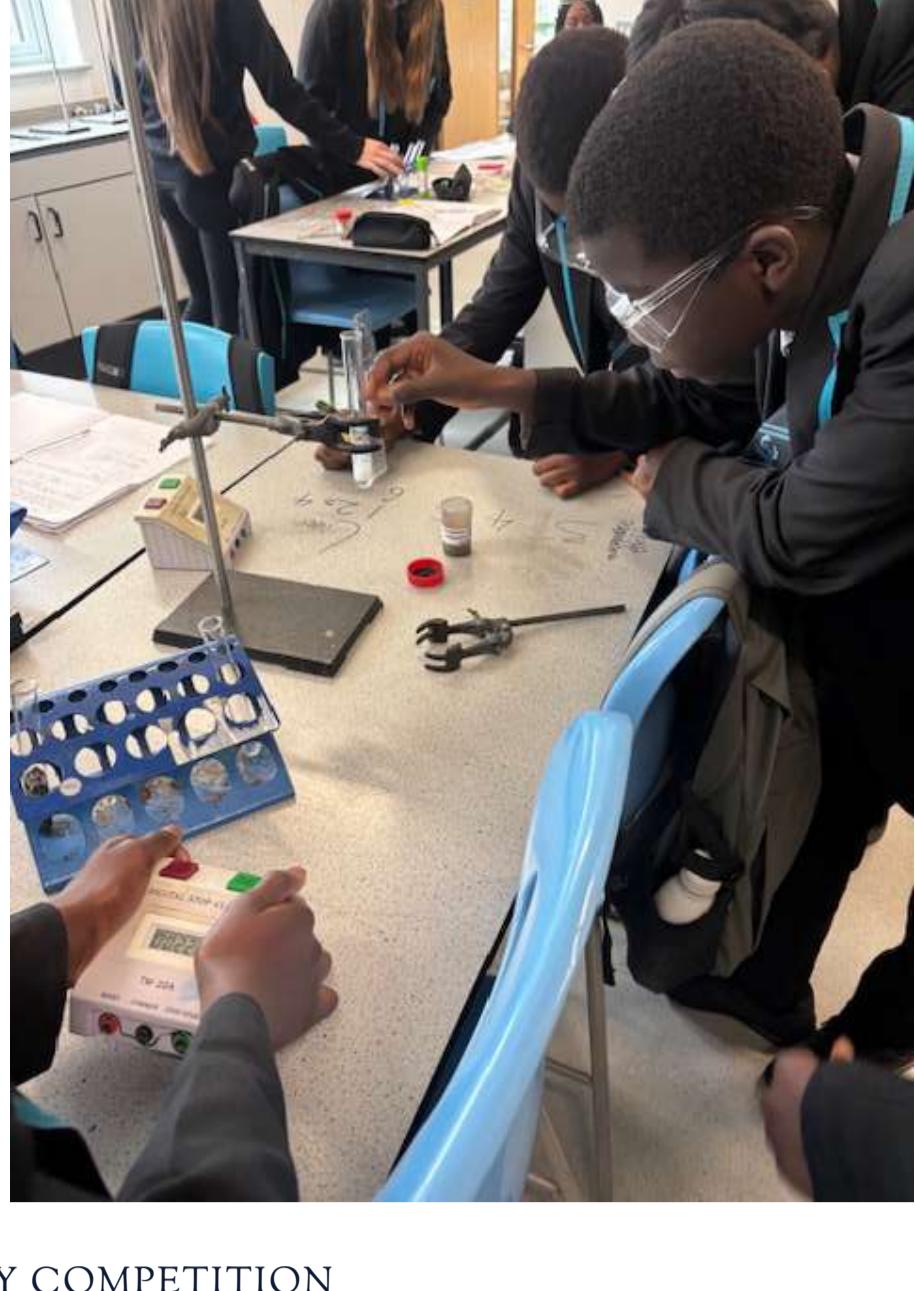
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YEAR 9 INVESTIGATING CATALYSTS

Year 9 are exploring the power of catalysts in today's science lesson. Students are investigating how catalysts speed up chemical reactions and testing their effects through hands-on experiments. Real science in action!



SPORTABILITY COMPETITION

The Sportability competition at Challney High School for Girls was a fantastic success, well done to all the students involved! Everyone had lots of fun taking part in a variety of mini competitions, including archery, tri-golf, and the most popular activity of the day, the parachute. It was wonderful to see such enthusiasm, teamwork, and enjoyment throughout the event.



YEAR 11 LEAVERS HOODIES

We are pleased to let you know that Stopsley High School Leavers Hoodies for 2026 are now available to order through Prestige Design. These hoodies are a lovely keepsake for students as they approach the end of their time with us, although please note that they are entirely optional and not compulsory.

Orders can be placed using the link below, and the deadline for purchases is Monday 1st June 2026:

<https://tinyurl.com/3f7uh75h>

YEAR 11 YEARBOOK

To order your Stopsley High School Leavers Yearbook 2026 simply click on the link below

<https://store110418081.company.site/products/stopsley-high-school-leavers-2026>

The Yearbook costs £20.15 – hardback book full of school memories

orders must be received by 29th June 2026

Any queries please contact Ms N Bennett
nbennett@stopsleyhighschool.co.uk

Please note that the yearbooks will be delivered directly to the school who will notify you when they are ready for collection. After the closing date No orders can be taken either by the school or by Boomerang directly.

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.



Upcoming Careers Events 2026

Year 10 Mock Interviews 19 th and 20 th July – Interviewer spaces available	Year 9 Employer Encounter Mornings (with an apprenticeship) – 10 Places full	Year 10 Work Experience WC 23 rd July – Can your company offer any placements?
Year 7 World of Work: Uniformed and Public Services Careers Fair 22nd June 8.30am – 1pm Employer spaces available.	Year 9 BESP Speed Networking 23 rd June and 6 th July – 8.30am – 1pm Employer spaces available.	
Year 8 STEM Careers Fair 24 th June – 8.30am – 1pm Employer spaces available.	Year 9 and 10 Post 16 Careers Fair 2 nd July – 8.30am – 1pm – Spaces available for Post 16 provisions and companies who offer apprenticeships/early careers	

Can you help support our upcoming Careers Events?

We are looking for local employers to take part in our BESP (Business Education Skills Partnership) Speed Networking Event taking place on 23rd June and 6th July 8.30am - 1pm. It is a fantastic opportunity to share your career journey and inspire young people. We also have a number of other events taking place, especially if you work in STEM or your company offers apprenticeships. If you are interested in any of our careers events or would like more information on how you can support Stopsley High School's Careers Programme, please contact Mrs Winter, Careers Lead on careers@stopsleyhighschool.co.uk

Sparx Maths

Sparx heroes Of this week

Year 7-Top 4 Sparx Maths Heroes

- Ali m
- Mehreen A
- Alisha B
- Highest Independent learner: Alkis T

Year 8-Top 4 Sparx Maths Heroes

- Elijah A
- Azad S
- Simona R
- Highest Independent learner: Ameeliya-R

Year 9-Top 4 Sparx Maths Heroes

- Merion R
- Light D
- Nicola K
- Highest Independent learner: Ardra S

Year 10-Top 4 Sparx Maths Heroes

- Zulu I
- Benedicta A
- Amir Uz Z
- Highest Independent learner: Serena A

Year 11-Top 4 Sparx Maths Heroes

- Armela K
- Nikolett T
- Martina N
- Highest Independent learner: Stacy C

Sparx Champion

Chris K

REMINDER – SPOTLIGHT ON SUCCESS

Have you shared your child's achievements with us yet?

Our Spotlight on Success initiative celebrates the fantastic accomplishments our students achieve beyond the classroom, from sporting awards and club successes to performances, competitions, volunteering and personal milestones.

We are proud to recognise these achievements each week across our social media platforms and newsletters as part of our Top Class culture.

If you would like your child's success to be featured, please complete the Google Form linked above.

Please note that while we aim to celebrate as many students as possible, due to volume and scheduling, not every submission may be featured.

Thank you for continuing to support and celebrate the incredible things our students achieve at Stopsley High School.



Take part in our Weekly Family Challenge!

If you would like to enter, simply follow this link <https://forms.gle/yQ7E4BLVqBXhkTPu6> and submit your answers online. The form is quick and easy to complete, and allows you to take part without needing to print anything at home.

We encourage families to get involved together and enjoy the challenge each week, whether it's puzzles, word games, or something a little different. Once you've completed your answers, just click submit and you're all set!

Good luck, and we look forward to seeing your entries!



WEEKLY FAMILY CHALLENGE

ANIMAL PIXEL QUIZ

Guess the Pixelated animal.

1



2



3



4



GUESS THE LOGO

Can you guess these logos?

1



2



3



4



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Our course is entirely school-centred providing classroom based, practical training, underpinned by a weekly educational studies programme. The programme leads to Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) by The Compton SCITT. Trainees may opt into a Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) accredited by our partner, The University of Sussex. The course is full time over 38 weeks (term time only).

Training Route with funding

We offer a Training Route programme for our secondary trainees. Trainees may be able to access a training bursaries in some subjects. We work with a number of local partner schools where trainees may choose to train.

Salaried Route

Working in partnership with employing schools, we also offer a salaried route where trainees earn a salary alongside their training.

Assessment Only Route

This route is for unqualified teachers with a minimum of 2 years' experience of working in schools. The programme takes a maximum of 12 weeks leading to the award of QTS and can begin at any point in the academic year for eligible candidates.

Apply

Candidates for the training and salaried routes can apply to teacher training through the Department for Education's Find and Apply Service. Application for Assessment Only is direct through The Compton SCITT.



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