



Mental Health Awareness Week

Next week (15th to 21st May) is Mental Health Awareness Week, with the main focus being upon, “Anxiety”. On **Thursday 18th May** the whole school will be off time table focusing on activities linked to mental health and anxiety. In the morning each class will base their Literacy around a text linked to Anxiety followed by activities to learn more about the topic. In the afternoon the children will take part in a Wellbeing activities of their choice in their year group.

After the success of, “Dress to Express” days children can come to school in their own clothes on that day. **The colour green is linked to the awareness week, so if children have anything green that would be amazing.**

Y5 & Y6 singing at The Royal Albert Hall

On Sunday 30th April 12 children from Year 5 & 6 took part in the Hertfordshire Schools Gala Concert at The Royal Albert Hall. The day involved an early start arriving in London at around 8.30am for the morning rehearsal with the Hertfordshire Schools Symphony Orchestra and other primary and secondary schools from Hertfordshire. The children enjoyed a picnic lunch in Hyde Park before the afternoon concert to parents. The children sang a range of songs and had the opportunity to watch and hear others perform in the glorious setting of The Royal Albert Hall. The children sang their hearts out and were a true credit to Oak View.



Sports Day date change

We have had to change the dates for Sports Day. Nursery/EYFS/KS1 will now take place on **Tues 4th July** and KS2 on **Weds 5th July**. Event times will be communicated closer to the time.



Wellbeing

Y5 have been going paddle boarding at Stanborough Lakes for the last couple of weeks as part of the wellbeing experiences. As you can see from the photos, they have been having a lot of fun learning their new skill. If your Y5 child has not been yet, please do not worry as they will be going over the next few weeks.



Great Big Dance Off - Update

Over the next few weeks, the Dance team will be practising in a dance studio in Hatfield Leisure Centre. This will provide the team with an enriching experience of a professional dance space.

They have been working extremely hard and cannot wait to compete in the finals on 8th June.



Free school meal vouchers - May 2023

Hertfordshire County Council will be providing supermarket vouchers for each child entitled to benefit related free school meals to cover the May Half Term. Entitled families will receive a digital supermarket voucher to the value of £15 per child to cover the holiday.

For anyone who is entitled to these vouchers, please could you make sure that we have the correct email address for you.



Year 1 Art

Year 1 have been busy in art this week exploring portraits using collage. The children used a mixture of tearing, ripping and cutting to create a collage over a picture of themselves. As you can see, they all did very well with this task!



Family Support Worker

We are delighted to be part of the Welwyn and Hatfield Schools Partnership. They can offer support for a wide range of issues including:

- Parenting
- Changing school (transition)
- SEND
- Loss or bereavement
- Smoking, alcohol, drug misuse.
- Family breakdown
- Money issues
- Being in abusive relationships
- Housing
- Mental health and well being

No question is too big or small so if there is anything you need support with do get in touch.

Our school family worker is Kim Bates. If you would like to meet Kim then please speak to Mrs. Young or Miss Hall and we will put you in touch. Alternatively look out for Kim hosting 'coffee and chat' events at school and drop in.



Access the Schools Partnerships here:

<https://wgc-hatfieldschoolspartnership.com/>

The School's Partnership offers free workshops and events to support you and your family. Keep up to date by visiting the website for details.



From the Office

We are aware that there are times when you may need to speak to a member of staff. Please be mindful that it may not always be possible to speak to them immediately. We will always endeavour to help wherever possible and will pass your messages and concerns on as soon as we can.

Dinner money - School meal prices are now £3.15 for KS2 and £2.40 for Nursery. Dinners should be paid for in advance so please make sure you have topped up your payments on the School Grid. Please could all outstanding balances be cleared as soon as possible.



Water bottles

Please can you make sure that you send a water bottle in with your child. With the warmer weather now approaching, it is important for them to drink water in the heat.

Children's Clothing Bank

We offer a range of nearly-new and good-quality children's clothing for families in need. Please contact your School Family Worker or use the contact details below for further information:

Contact: Cheryl Bodrozic
cbodrozic@stanborough.herts.sch.uk

Diary Dates

2023

Weds 17 th May	Y4 Matisse trip to Radlett Synagogue
Weds 24 th May	Y4 Kandinsky trip to Radlett Synagogue
Mon 29 th May - Fri 2 nd June	Summer Half Term - School Closed
Thurs 8 th June	Great Big Dance Off final in Oxford
Weds 14 th June	Y6 trip to Cambridge Mosque
Fri 23rd June	Inset Day - School Closed
Tues 4 th July	EYFS/KS1 Sports Day
Weds 5 th July	KS2 Sports Day
Thurs 13 th July	Transition Day
Fri 21st July	Y6 Leavers assembly 9.30am - Y6 ONLY to leave school at 11am
Fri 21st July	Term ends 1pm