

STANLEY SPOTLIGHT

September 2026

A MESSAGE FROM MRS MURPHY

As we reach the end of our first few weeks back at school, I would like to take this opportunity to say how incredibly proud I am of all our children. September is always a busy and exciting time, and it has been wonderful to see how quickly pupils across the school have settled into their new classes and routines. A very special mention must go to our Reception children, who have embraced school life with enthusiasm, confidence and smiles. They have made an excellent start to their learning journey and have already become valued members of our school community.

Throughout the school, our children have demonstrated our Proud to be Purple values every day. They have shown kindness, respect, resilience and a determination to be their very best. Alongside this, children have embodied our SMARTER values by approaching their learning with curiosity, creativity and a positive attitude. These values are at the heart of our school and help every child to thrive.

We were delighted to be nominated for Primary School of the Year at the Active Blackpool Community Awards. Although we were not announced as the overall winner, we were honoured to receive a Highly Commended certificate. This recognition reflects the dedication of our pupils, families and wider community, and we are incredibly proud of this achievement.

Another memorable highlight this month was the opportunity for our Head Boy, Head Girl and Senior Prefects to attend the unveiling of the Centenary Plaque at Stanley Park by HRH Prince Edward. The children represented our school exceptionally well and were proud ambassadors for our school community during this significant local event.

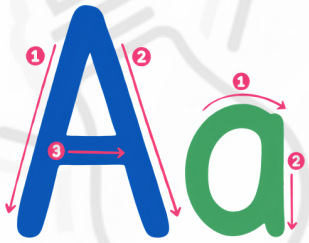
Over the summer, we also received the fantastic news that our school has been awarded the prestigious Eco-Schools Green Flag with Merit for the second consecutive time. The Green Flag is an internationally recognised award celebrating schools committed to environmental education and sustainable action. This achievement demonstrates the positive difference our pupils are making through projects that help protect and improve the environment, both in school and within our wider community. It is a real testament to the hard work, passion and commitment of our Eco Squad and Mrs Aris, and we thank them for their continued efforts in helping us create a greener future.

Finally, I would like to thank all families for your continued support as we begin another exciting school year together. The positive partnership between home and school plays such an important role in helping our children succeed. We are looking forward to a wonderful year ahead and to sharing many more achievements, experiences and celebrations with you all.

Thank you for being part of our school community and for helping us make Stanley a place where every child can flourish and thrive.

BEHIND THE SCENES

KS1



RECEPTION





Reception are really enjoying their daily phonics lessons and have been working hard to practise their new letter sounds. They have been enjoying spotting and using these sounds throughout the classroom provision and are becoming increasingly confident in applying their phonics skills independently.

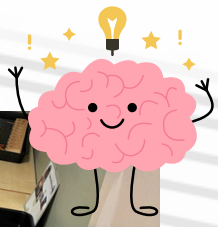
EMBRACE



Embrace have enjoyed learning about themselves through practical, sensory and creative activities, including tooth brushing, exploring facial features and developing their independence with dressing.

INSPIRE





Inspire have been developing their confidence and independence in our new Focused Learning Area, settling into their 'jobs' and showing lots of enthusiasm for their learning.

BEHIND THE SCENES

KS1

YEAR 1



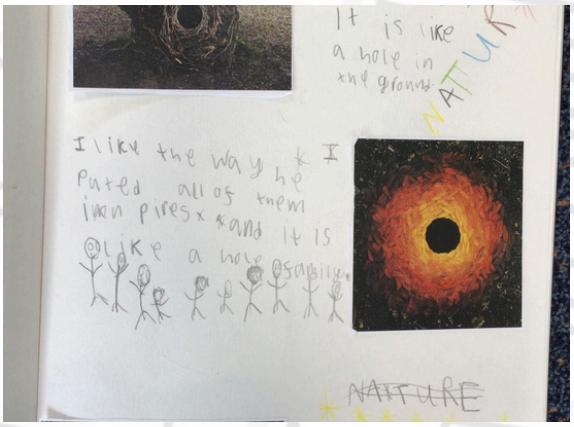
Y1 have been exploring the outdoors, identifying deciduous and evergreen trees and looking for signs of autumn. They enjoyed spotting leaves beginning to change and fall from the trees as the season gets underway.

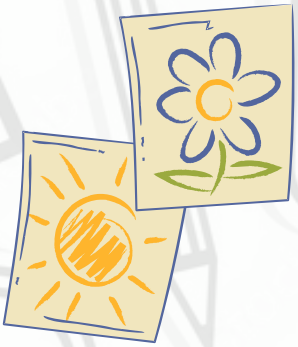




YEAR 2

Y2 have been looking at artwork by Andy Goldsworthy and exploring the patterns, shapes and textures found in nature. They have enjoyed looking closely at their surroundings and using these observations to inspire their own creative ideas.



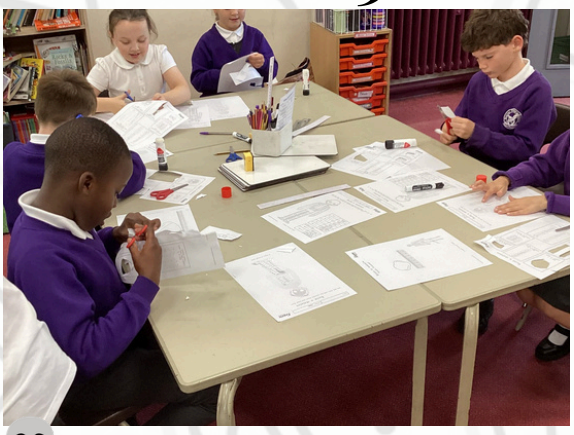




BEHIND THE SCENES

KS2

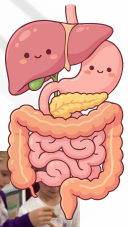
YEAR 3





Y3 have been enjoying their new Science topic, Skeletons and Movement. They have been learning about our skeleton, muscles and how different parts of the body work together to help us move.

YEAR 4





Y4 have been learning about the digestive system and exploring the important role it plays in our bodies. They have been finding out how food travels through the digestive system and how our bodies process the food we eat.

YEAR 5





Y5 have been exploring monotype printing, inspired by artist Kevork Morad. They have experimented with mark-making, texture, line and pattern to create their own artwork.

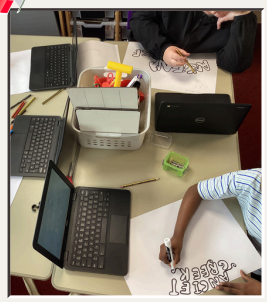
YEAR 6



Congratulations to Sofia and Will on becoming our new Head Girl and Head Boy! We are incredibly proud of you and wish you the very best as you take on this exciting role and represent our school community.

European Languages Day



















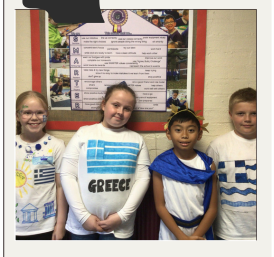


















School Home Support

School-Home Support

Stanley Primary School: School Home Support

Michelle Done - School Home Support (SHS) Practicioner

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🎄Christmas Gift Support for Families🎄

We understand that Christmas can bring extra financial pressure for families. This year, Stanley is working with local charities to provide Christmas gifts for children, with support available for every child living in the household.

🎁 **What's available:** Christmas gifts provided by local charities
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🔒 **Confidential:** All requests will be treated privately and confidentially

To request support:
Please complete the **Christmas Support Form** or contact **Michelle Done.**

🧥Supporting Our Families This Winter – Warm Coats for Children🧥

As the weather gets colder, we want to make sure every child at Stanley stays warm and ready to learn. If your family would benefit from a warm winter coat, confidential support is available.

🧥 **Discreet support:** Coats are provided without charity branding.
🔒 **Confidential:** Requests are handled privately and sensitively.

To request a coat:
Please complete the **Request for Coats Form** or contact **Michelle Done.**

🏫Year 6 Secondary Applications🏫

The deadline for High School applications is **31st October 2026**. If you need any support with your application, please contact **Michelle Done**.

STANLEY SUCCESSES



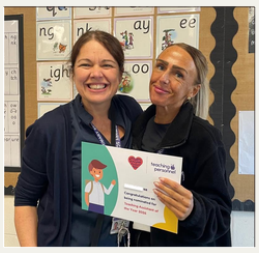






Following National TA Day, we were delighted to share that four of our Teaching Assistants were nominated for Teaching Assistant of the Year

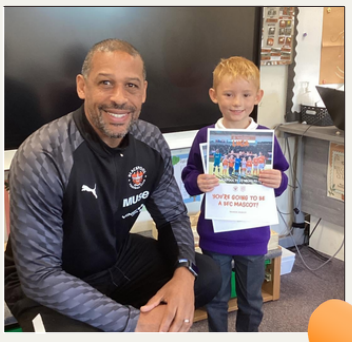
Congratulations to Miss Pearce, Mrs Smith, Miss Watkins and Mrs Woolley on this fantastic achievement. We are incredibly proud of you all!











Luca was an absolute star at the BFCCT holiday camps this summer, showing fantastic behaviour and always being friendly, kind and supportive towards others. To recognise his brilliant attitude, BFCCT surprised Luca with a Blackpool FC mascot package and club shop voucher, and he was also chosen to be Blackpool FC's mascot at a game!

If you would like your child to feature in 'Stanley Successes' for our next edition, please email admin@stanley.seteducation.org.uk



Other Information



HARVEST DONATIONS

Could you help support local young people in need this years Harvest? We desperately need the following items:

Mug Shots (Pasta/noodles made in a cup)
Pasta& Sauce
Instant Noodles /PotNoodles
Microwaveable Rice/PastaPouches
Instant Mash
Pasta
Rice
Pasta & Curry Sauces
Tinned Tuna
Tinned Meatballs/ Hotdogs
Baked Beans / Ravioli
Tinned Soup
Tinned Fruit / Jam
Tinned Custard/ Rice Pudding
Biscuits
Tea/Coffee/Sugar
Fruit Cordial
Long Life Milk
Shampoo/Conditioner
Toothpaste and toothbrushes
Razors

Supporting vulnerable young people often experiencing homelessness

STREET LIFE

Deadline - 10th October 2026

Other Information

Autumn Stories

At Stanley Park

Celebrating 100 years and the National Year of Reading

Meet the author

11:30am
James Lattice
Grippo The Hippo

12:30pm
Zoe
Storytelling Session

1:30pm
Zoe
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SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2026

- 11am–2pm
- Stanley Park, Blackpool
- Inside the Visitor Centre
- Free event

THERE'S LOTS TO DISCOVER

- Free books for all ages
- Stanley Park's best dog competition
- Craft activities
- Explore the park trail

Find us here



All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Blackpool National Literacy Trust – It's Your Story

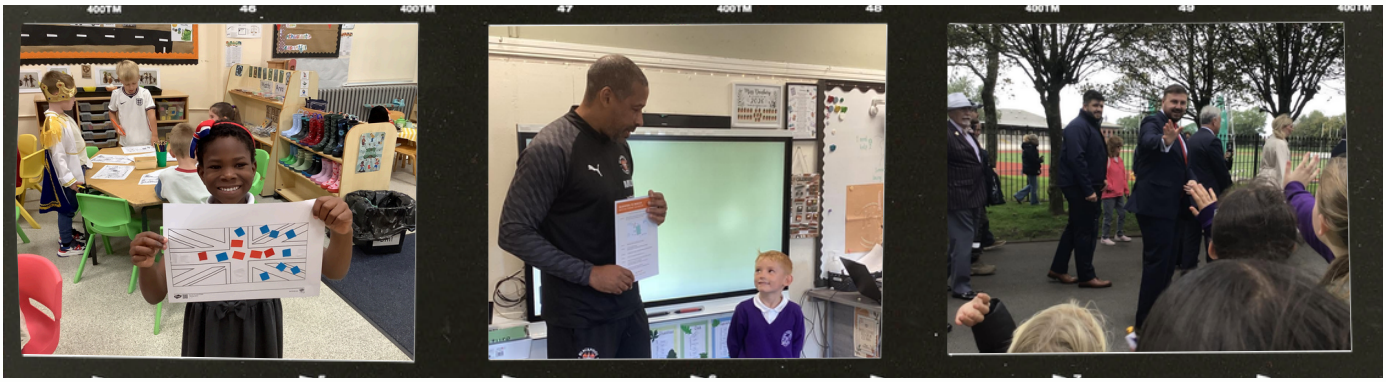
friends of Stanley Park and Salisbury Woodland

GO ALL IN. National Year of Reading 2026

STANLEY SNAPS

Learning through the lens









Want more Stanley Snaps? Check out our website gallery!

Attend today
Achieve tomorrow

SEPTEMBER ATTENDANCE

Our whole school target attendance is: 97%



KS1

Embrace: 96.5%

Inspire: 94.8%

Reception: 96.4%

Year 1: 96.7%

Year 2: 96.7%

Number of lates this month: 192

KS2

Year 3: 97.7%

Year 4: 97.2%

Year 5: 94.9%

Year 6: 96.8%



The year group, in both KS1 and KS2, with the best attendance that month will be rewarded!



REMINDERS

NO sweets/chocolate
NO nuts
NO fizzy drinks
Bottle of water EVERYDAY
Coats EVERYDAY









NO smoking/vaping on our grounds
NO dogs to be brought on our grounds

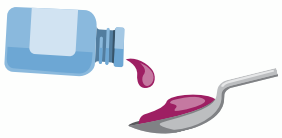
To report an absence, please log this on your Arbor Parent Portal
If you have medical evidence to support the absence e.g. appointment information, prescription medication or pharmacy bought medication (with dated receipt) please send by email or bring into school.
Please also let us know in advance of any appointments/reasons for collecting early
Our sickness/diarrhoea policy is to keep your child off for 48 hours since the last episode




Medicines:
Please email the office with the following:

1. **Child's name & class**
2. **Name of medicine**
3. **Dosage**
4. **Times & Dates to be taken**

Any non-prescribed medication should be a brand-new & unopened bottle



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8.30am – 4.30pm