



# NEWSLETTER



Friday 24th January 2025

## Our choir shine at Young Voices

### Young Voices – What a Night!

Our Young Voices choir had an amazing time performing in Birmingham as part of a 6,000-pupil choir! From start to finish, they did us all proud with their talent and enthusiasm.

A big thank you to Mrs. Clarke, our music and performance lead, for all her hard work preparing the choir. We also appreciate the support from parents and staff involved in making this event a success. Well done, choir – you were fantastic!



## In the spotlight!- Geography

Hello. I am Mrs Whalley and I am currently teaching in Year 3. I have been a primary school teacher for nearly 28 years and have taught most subjects to all ages from Nursery up to Year 4. My responsibility at Hanley St Luke's is the Geography Subject Leader. This involves ensuring that Geography is delivered thoroughly at age appropriate levels to all of the children who attend HSL. Our whole school plan shows that every year group learns either a Geography or History topic during every term of the school year. Each Geography topic includes location and place knowledge, human and physical geography and many practical geographical skills and fieldwork. As a school we are working hard to include regular school trips into our learning to enhance the children's real and exciting experiences of this subject. Last term all of the Key Stage 2 children went on day trips to Stanley Head Outdoor Education Centre- lots of fun and essential, memorable learning was had by all! In the Geography team I am supported by Mrs Grundy. [CHECK OUT OUR GEOGRAPHY PAGE ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE](#)

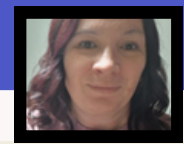
### Sir Stanley Matthews Day

Friday 31st January

Whole school dress up day- children can wear football or sports kits, or just red and white to commemorate Sir Stan who is an ex pupil of Hanley St Luke's. There will be special visitors such as Pottermus from SCFC and we will learn all about Sir Stan in a special day.

### Upcoming Events

- Number/ Maths Day 7th February
- Safer Internet Day 11th February
- Online Safety Parents Workshop 13th February



# Hanley St Luke's C of E Academy



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**Every Thursday at 9.15-11.15am, come along to our free Big Cup parent and toddler/ baby group!**  
Come and have a chat with other parents and let your little ones have a play with others. Enjoy a snack and drink in a lovely, friendly atmosphere in our Nursery.  
If you need any support or advice. We can signpost you to a range of services.  
[For more information and advice click here.](#)

## The Alice Charity



## Parent or Community Governor Vacancy & Public Consultation Event

Would you like the opportunity to share your passion for the good of Stoke-On-Trent by being a governor/Academy Representative?

We are looking for a community representative to join our thriving school community as a volunteer. Want to know more? Interested? Get in touch for more information

Tel: 01782 234390

Email: [office@hanleystlukes.com](mailto:office@hanleystlukes.com)

Thank you to all who were able to attend the public consultation event last week. Britannia Properties were on hand to talk through their design and aspirations for the old building next to our school. They shared photographs and blueprints of the plans, including a community cafe and multi functional community spaces.

We can't wait to see the much loved but neglected building return to its former glory.



## Attendance- every day counts!

**Your Child's Good Attendance and Punctuality is YOUR Legal Responsibility.**

**Ensure your child is on time and attending as much as possible.**

Attendance is everybody's business at HSL. It is so important for your child to be here and on time as much as possible for their own learning, progress and confidence.

Let's aim for at least 97% attendance together in 2025!

Meet our attendance champions for HSL- Miss Facey, Mrs Gartwright- Davies, Miss Sleightholm & Mrs Burton. We are here to help so if you need any advice or support with your child's attendance get in touch...



## Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

[Click here to order your child's Year 6 Leavers Hoodies.](#)

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- <https://play.trockstars.com/auth>
- <https://play.numbots.com/#/intro>
- <https://satscompanion.com/>

