

NEWSLETTER

Friday 22nd May 2026

A message from Mrs Cooper

Dear Parents and carers,

So far this academic year, we have celebrated many successes, and this half term has been no exception.

We were recently delighted to be informed that we have achieved the Platinum School Games Award. This is a significant accomplishment and a true credit to all staff, particularly Mrs Farnell, our PE Lead, who works tirelessly to coordinate and promote a wide range of sporting opportunities for our children. You can read more about this in our PE Spotlight later in this newsletter.



This half term has also seen an external review of mathematics across the school. The report rightly commends Miss Facey for her strong leadership as our Strategic Maths Lead, supported by Mrs Corden. It also recognises the dedication and commitment of our staff, who work tirelessly to ensure that all children are supported and challenged in mathematics. We look forward to sharing a Maths Spotlight with you in a future edition.

In the week commencing 11th May, our Year 6 pupils completed their SATs tests. While these national assessments are an important milestone, primary education is about so much more than one week of tests. I have never seen such a committed and resilient year group; their maturity and determination throughout the week were truly exceptional and a credit to themselves, their families, and our school. I am incredibly proud of them. We now look forward to supporting them emotionally as they prepare for their transition to secondary school.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Wishing you all a wonderful and restful May half term.

Mrs Cooper
Proud Principal

Well done!

Hanley St Luke's C of E Academy



In the spotlight PE

At Hanley St Luke's, we believe it is essential for children to develop a strong understanding of how to keep themselves fit, active and healthy. This commitment is reflected throughout both our curriculum and our wide range of extracurricular opportunities.

Our PE curriculum focuses on developing fundamental movement skills across a variety of sports, ensuring that every child is able to participate fully, build confidence and enjoy being active. We are proud to provide inclusive opportunities that encourage teamwork, resilience and a lifelong love of physical activity.

We began the year with our Sports Network event, where a range of local clubs and organisations visited school to share the fantastic opportunities available within the community. This gave children and families valuable insight into ways they can stay active beyond the school day.

One of the highlights of the year has been the success of our school swimming programme through the use of our pop-up onsite swimming pool. Every child, from Nursery through to Year 6, had access to six weeks of swimming lessons. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and are already excited for the pool to return next year.

Throughout the year, many of our pupils have proudly represented Hanley St Luke's in a range of sporting events, including football, cricket and athletics competitions. We have also been delighted to see eight of our families take part in the Canal & River Trust's "Fishing for Families" project, which has been a fantastic success.

As we move towards the end of the school year, excitement is building for our upcoming athletics events and Sports Days, where children will have the opportunity to celebrate their achievements and demonstrate the skills they have developed throughout the year.

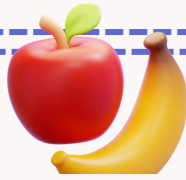
The dedication and hard work within our PE department has recently been recognised with the prestigious Platinum School Games Award. This achievement is a testament to the commitment of our staff, families and wider community who support PE at Hanley St Luke's, and most importantly, to our wonderful children who continue to embrace every opportunity with enthusiasm and determination.

SPORTS DAYS!
Let's have fun, be active and celebrate together!

THURSDAY 4TH JUNE	NURSERY 9am - 10am	RECEPTION 10am - 11am	ON THE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND
FRIDAY 5TH JUNE	YEAR 1 9am - 10am	YEAR 2 10am - 11am	ON THE SCHOOL PLAYGROUND
MONDAY 22ND JUNE	YEAR 5 AND 6 9:30am - 10:45am	YEAR 3 AND 4 11am - 12:15pm	MEAKINS CRICKET CLUB AT MEAKINS CRICKET CLUB

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Free Breakfast club



Please don't forget our free Breakfast club from 8.10am starting 1st June. Please click on the link below to book now!
<https://hanleystlukes.hivellink.co.uk/>

We're absolutely thrilled to announce that Big Cup have been awarded the SHINE Award, a recognition of their dedication to creating a truly SEND-inclusive community. Even more exciting, they are the first community organisation in the city to receive this award. It's a huge milestone for their team and a reflection of the inclusive, welcoming environment they work hard to build for children, young people and families. Join the team on a Thursday 9.15am - 11.15am for their Big Cup Playgroup.



Key Dates	
School closes	22 nd May
School opens	1 st June
Year 3 Chester Museum	- 4th June
Year 6 Hanley Museum	4 th & 5 th June
Careers Week	8 th - 12 th June
Year 1 Peak Wildlife	- 16th June
Year 4 Big Sleep over	18 th June
Year 4 Liverpool Museum	- 23rd June
Year 5 Maths Parent Workshop	- 23rd June
Year 2 Class worship assembly	- 25th June
TTRS Rockstar Day	- 10th July
Year 6 Cinebowl	- 14th July
Leavers assembly	- 16th July
Year 6 Prom	- 16th July 6pm - 8pm

May the Half Term be with you

Join us for an out-of-this-world stay and play session packed with space adventures for little explorers.

Tuesday	10am until 11.30am	Blurton
	1pm until 2.30pm	Hanley Market
Wednesday	10am until 11.30am	Normacot
	1pm until 2.30pm	Bentilee
Friday	10am until 11.30am	Tunstall Salvation Army
	1pm until 2.30pm	Abbey Hulton
Saturday	1pm until 4pm	Green Space Meir, Stansmore Road Park
	1pm until 4pm	Green Space Chell Heath, Burnwood Primary

See the back for addresses

Tuesday 26 May until Friday 29 May

Blast off into a galaxy of fun this half term!

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Pupil Term Dates 2025-2026

Autumn Term 1

Inset Days

Monday 1st September 2025

Tuesday 2nd September 2025

School opens for pupils

Wednesday 3rd September 2025

School closes

Wednesday 22nd October 2025

Inset Days

Thursday 23rd October 2025

Friday 24th October 2025

Half Term Holiday

Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October 2025

School opens for pupils

Monday 3rd November 2025

Autumn Term 2

Friday 19th December 2025

Christmas Holidays

Monday 22nd December to Friday 2nd January 2026

Spring Term 1 2026

School opens for pupils

Monday 5th January 2026

School closes

Friday 13th February 2026

Half Term Holiday

Monday 16th to Friday 20th February 2026

Inset Day

Monday 23rd February 2026 Trust Training Day

Spring term 2

School opens for pupils

Tuesday 24th February 2026

School closes

Friday 27th March 2026

Easter Holidays

Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April 2026

Summer Term 1 2026

School opens

Monday 13th April 2026

Bank holiday

Monday 4th May 2026

School closes

Friday 22nd May 2026

Half Term Holiday

Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May 2026

Summer Term 2

School opens for pupils

Monday 1st June 2026

School closes

Friday 17th July 2026

Inset day

Monday 20th July 2026

Summer Holidays

Tuesday 21st July – Monday 31st August 2026

