

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2026

## A message from Mrs Cooper



Dear Parents and Carers,

In this edition of our newsletter, we are proud to spotlight our careers curriculum, led by Mrs Gordon, alongside the fantastic work of our staff wellbeing team, led by Miss Facey.

For our children, I truly believe that "planting the seed" for their future career begins in primary school, alongside a strong and enriching education. Mrs Gordon skilfully weaves career awareness and opportunities throughout our whole-school curriculum, helping our children to begin thinking about their futures with ambition and curiosity.

At the same time, we recognise the importance of supporting those who make this possible—our staff. With many teachers and teaching assistants leaving the profession nationally, it is more important than ever that we look after our dedicated team. Our highly effective Staff Wellbeing Group plays a vital role in this, working collaboratively to find solutions to the ever-changing educational landscape. They provide honest feedback, share ideas, and ensure that teaching and learning for our children remains at the heart of everything we do.

Elsewhere, our brilliant education continues to go from strength to strength. This week, we are celebrating excellent outcomes for our children:

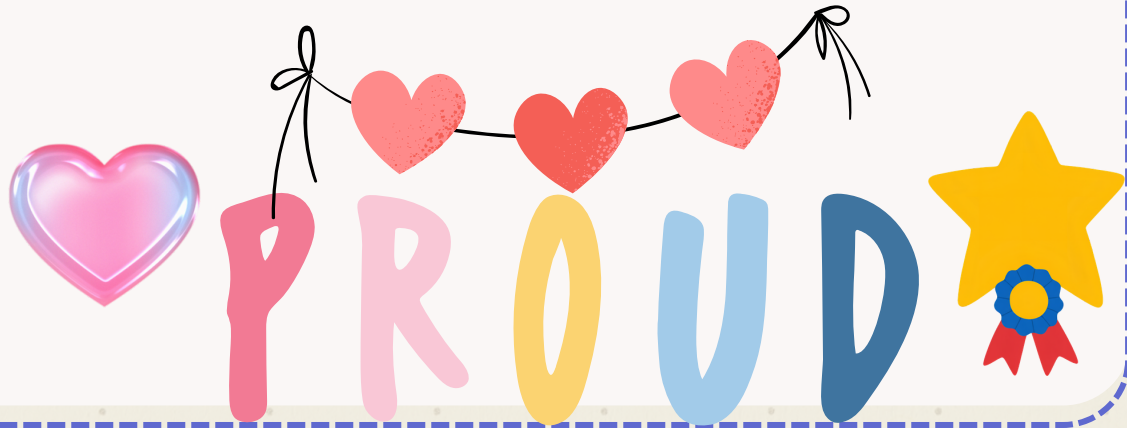
- Year 4 Multiplication Check – the highest number of children achieving full marks or scores above 20 that the school has ever seen.
- Year 1 Phonics Screening – our best results to date.
- Early Years Foundation Stage – for the second year in a row, a very high percentage of children achieving a Good Level of Development.

As I enter my third year as Principal, I am incredibly proud to now be seeing the sustained impact of the improvements and changes we began implementing together.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, our families, for your continued support, encouragement, and trust. I would also like to recognise our dedicated staff and governors, who generously give their time and expertise and demonstrate a strong commitment to our school community.

Finally, I would like to thank our brilliant, intelligent, and joyful children. They are our future, and we are so proud of each and every one of them.

With warmest regards,  
Mrs Zoe Cooper  
Principal



# Hanley St Luke's C of E Academy



## In the spotlight Mental Health and Well-being .....

At Hanley St Luke's, wellbeing is at the heart of everything we do. Over the past few years, we have worked hard to create a positive, supportive and nurturing environment where every child can flourish.

Our pupils benefit from daily mindfulness activities with 'Mind Up', dedicated "Time to Talk" spaces, trained Wellbeing Ambassadors, access to NHS mental health support, and a wide range of leadership opportunities that help build confidence, resilience and independence. Our behaviour, bullying and safeguarding policies are child friendly and understood by all, ensuring consistency.

We are committed to helping every child feel safe, valued and listened to. Through strong pastoral care, robust safeguarding procedures, positive behaviour systems and close partnerships with families, we provide support as early as possible whenever it is needed.

Children also enjoy caring for our school pets, including Trevor the tortoise, which helps develop responsibility, empathy and emotional wellbeing.

Our welcoming school community is built on positive relationships between pupils, staff and families. By promoting wellbeing, kindness and inclusion every day, we ensure that children are happy, confident and ready to learn.

Our Year 6 wellbeing ambassadors and attendance ambassadors help to create positivity, welcome families and support our school community. Flourishing children need flourishing adults. We also have a designated staff wellbeing team who look out for our team and are a voice for their departments.

### Our Wonderful Wellbeing Team

at Hanley St Luke's

- Snack Station
- Share Ideas
- Collect Feedback
- Look for Solutions
- Be a Voice for Their Department
- Attend Wellbeing Meetings

Working together to support wellbeing across our school community

**The Parent Portal on Arbor**

The Parent Portal and Parent App allow parents to manage their child's school activities, including registration for clubs, payments, and monitoring attendance and progress.

[Click here for more information](#)



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What a fabulous Key Stage 2 Sports Day we had! The children represented our school amazingly well, and it was wonderful to see so many of them demonstrating our school values throughout the day. We were especially proud of the excellent sportsmanship shown, alongside the huge number of smiles and encouragement shared between the children.

We would like to say a huge thank you to Meakins Cricket Club for hosting our Sports Day this year. We are very grateful for their support and look forward to holding more events there in the future.

Thank you also to all the parents, carers, grandparents and friends who came along to support the children and help make the day so special. A special thank you goes to the school staff for walking the children to the venue and for organising and running the events so smoothly.

Finally, the biggest thank you goes to our wonderful children for taking part with such enthusiasm, supporting one another and making us all so proud. You are all superstars!



This half term, we proudly launched our very first Careers Week as part of our exciting NextGen Curriculum!

We had a fantastic week, with our children meeting a wide variety of inspiring visitors including firefighters, police officers, scientists, nurses, and many more professionals from different careers.

It was wonderful to see children asking thoughtful questions, learning about different career paths, and beginning to think about their own future dreams and ambitions.

A huge thank you to all of our visitors for giving up their time to share their experiences with us — the children loved every moment!

Careers education is an important part of our NextGen Curriculum and will become a major focus across our curriculum next academic year as we continue to inspire, prepare, and broaden opportunities for all of our children.

Watch this space... exciting things are coming!

## Key Dates

TTRS Rockstar Day - 10th July

Year 6 Cinebowl - 14th July

Leavers assembly - 16th July

Year 6 Prom - 16th July 6pm - 8pm

last day - 17<sup>th</sup> July

School opens - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept

Meet the teacher day 9<sup>th</sup> September

Year 1 Northwood Park 15<sup>th</sup> Sept

Year 3 Conkers 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept

Wear culture clothes Dau 25<sup>th</sup> Sept

## Wrap Around Care Information

We offer wrap around care to support families before and after the school day. You can book your child's place using the following link:

<https://hanleystlukes.hivellink.co.uk/>

Sessions and pricing:

- 7:30am - 8:40am: £1.50
- 8:10am - 8:40am: Free
- 3:15pm - 6:00pm: £5

Please ensure sessions are booked in advance to secure your place.



## Pupil Term Dates 2026-2027

### Autumn Term 1

**Inset Days Tuesday 1st September 2026**

**Wednesday 2nd September 2026**

School opens for pupils Thursday 3rd September 2026

School closes at 3.15pm Wednesday 21st October 2026

**Inset Days Thursday 22nd October 2026**

**Friday 23rd October 2026**

**Half Term Holiday Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October 2026**

School opens for pupils Monday 2nd November 2026

### Autumn Term 2

School closes 3.15pm Friday 18th December 2026

**Christmas Holidays Monday 21st December to Friday 1st January 2027**

### Spring Term 1 2027

School opens for pupils Monday 4th January 2027

School closes at 3.15pm Friday 12th February 2027

**Half Term Holiday Monday 15th to Friday 19th February 2027**

**Inset Day Monday 22nd February 2027 Trust Training Day**

### Spring term 2

School opens for pupils Tuesday 23rd February 2027

School closes at 3.15pm Thursday 25th March 2027

**Easter Holidays Friday 26th March to Friday 9th April 2027**

### Summer Term 1 2027

School opens Monday 12th April 2027

**Bank holiday Monday 3rd May 2027**

School closes at 3.15pm Friday 28th May 2027

**Half Term Holiday Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2027**

### Summer Term 2

School opens for pupils Monday 7th June 2027

School closes at 3.15pm Tuesday 20th July 2027

**Inset day Wednesday 21st July 2027**

**Summer Holidays Thursday 22nd July 2027**