

Stanway Primary School

Weekly Bulletin



ISSUE 3

MONDAY, 22ND SEPTEMBER 2025

Diary Dates

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| Mon | Chess Club (15:15 - 16:15) |
| 22.9.25 | Choir Club (15:15 - 16:15) |
| | Colouring Club (15:15 - 16:15) |
| | Eco Club (15:15 - 16:15) |
| | Homework/TTRS club (15:15 - 16:15) |
| Tues | Rocksteady (9:00am) |
| 23.9.25 | SCS Netball Club (15:15 - 16:15) |

Diary Dates

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| Wed | Cosy Book Club (15:15 - 16:15) |
| 24.9.25 | Hama Beads Club (15:15 - 16:15) |
| Thurs | 3 Wilson Forest School |
| 25.9.25 | SCS Football Club (15:15 - 16:15) |
| Fri | Rocksteady (8:30am) |
| 26.9.25 | |

Looking Ahead

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 2nd October

Census Day

Thursday 2nd October

American diner Themed lunch

Friday 17th October

Anti-Slavery Day / Non Pens Day

Tuesday 21st October

Parents' Evening
(3:30pm - 6:00pm)

Thursday 23rd October

Flu Immunisation Day (Session 1)

Thursday 23rd October

Parents Evening
(4:00pm - 7:00pm)

Thursday 23rd October

Break for Half Term

Friday 24th October

Non-Pupil, Day

Parking

May we please remind you that parents should not be using the staff car park when picking up or dropping off children at any time of the day. This includes

Breakfast club and
After School Club.

Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Letters Home

Wake Up Wednesday Guide - All Parents via Arbor In App
17.9.25

Messages



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Free KS2 learning

We work in partnership with [Atom Learning](#), the leading online Key Stage 2 learning and 11+ preparation platform, to provide children in Years 3-6 who are eligible for Pupil Premium with free Atom Home accounts. **Atom Home is normally £575.90 per year.**

Atom Home provides Key Stage 2 learning resources, helping children build exam technique, subject mastery and academic confidence.

If your child is aged between 7 and 11 and has been eligible for free school meals at any point in the last six years (please check with the school office if you are not sure), please fill in the form by clicking the button below.

[<<Access free KS2 learning>>](#)

For other families, there is a five-day free trial of Atom available:

<https://atomlearning.com/11-plus>

Year 6 to 7 secondary admission round for September 2026

As you may be aware, the new secondary school admission round opened on Friday, 12th September 2025, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2026.

The statutory national closing date for applications is 31 October 2025.

Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

99% of parents in Essex applied online last year.

All of the application information is available on the website above.

Attendance

Well done to 3 Wilson who had the best attendance last week at 98.3%!

The winners of the Attendance Bears are R Rosen, 3 Wilson and 5 Rauf.

| <u>Class</u> | <u>Attendance % Present</u> |
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| R Hendra | 91.8% |
| R Rosen | 97.0% |
| 1 Blake | 93.6% |
| 1 Donaldson | 91.5% |
| 2 Bond | 95.9% |
| 2 Dahl | 93.1% |
| 3 Morpurgo | 90.3% |
| 3 Wilson | 98.3% |
| 4 Jackson | 87.0% |
| 4 Zephaniah | 90.3% |
| 5 Rauf | 96.0% |
| 5 Shakespeare | 89.6% |
| 6 Rowling | 95.0% |
| 6 Tolkien | 84.2% |

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

AUTUMN TERM 2025

SEPTEMBER

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| Wednesday 3 rd | Children Return to School |
| Monday 15 th | School Clubs Begin |
| Tuesday 16 th | Meet the Teacher (3:30pm-5:00pm) |
| Tuesday 16 th | PTA AGM (5:00pm) |
| Thursday 18 th | 3W Forest School for 5 weeks |

OCTOBER

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| Thursday 2 nd | Census Day |
| Thursday 2 nd | American Diner Themed Lunch |
| Friday 17 th | Anti-Slavery Day/No Pens Day |
| Tuesday 21 st | Parents' Evening (3:30pm – 6:00pm) |
| Thursday 23 rd | Flu Immunisation Day (Session 1) |
| Thursday 23 rd | Parents' Evening (4:00pm – 7:00pm) |
| Thursday 23 rd | Break for Half Term |
| Friday 24 th | Non-Pupil Day |

NOVEMBER

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| Monday 3 rd | Children return to School |
| Monday 3 rd | PTA Laser Light Show after school (time tbc) |
| Wednesday 5 th | New Intake School Tour (9:00am-10:30am) |
| Thursday 6 th | Choir Competition – Heat 1 (6:30pm-8:00pm) |
| Tuesday 11 th | New Intake School Tour (9:00am-10:30am) |
| Thursday 6 th | Choir Competition – Heat 2 (6:30pm-8:00pm) |
| Thursday 13 th | 3M Forest School for 5 weeks |
| Thursday 13 th | Choir Competition – Heat 3 (6:30pm-8:00pm) |
| Friday 14 th | Children in Need Non-Uniform Day |
| Friday 14 th | Children in Need Themed Lunch |
| Tuesday 18 th | Choir Competition – Heat 1 (6:30pm-8:00pm) |
| Thursday 27 th | Art Exhibition (All Welcome 2.30pm onwards) |

DECEMBER

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| Monday 1 st | New Intake School Tour (5:00pm-6:30pm) |
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| Tuesday 2 nd | EYFS Road Safety Session - with parents (9:00am-9:45am) |
| Tuesday 2 nd | 5 Rauf Road Safety Session (11:00am-12:30pm) |
| Tuesday 2 nd | 5 Shakespeare Road Safety Session (1:30pm-3:00pm) |
| Friday 5 th | PTA Winter Wonderland Christmas Fayre |
| Thursday 11 th | Christmas Jumper Day – Non-uniform Day |
| Tuesday 9 th | Year 2 Christmas Performance (2:00pm-3:00pm) |
| Thursday 11 th | Year 1 Christmas Performance (9:15am-9:45am) |
| Tuesday 16 th | EYFS Christmas Performance (2:30pm-3:00pm) |
| Tuesday 16 th | Rocksteady Concert (9:15am) |
| Wednesday 17 th | EYFS, KS1 & KS2 Christmas Dinner |
| Thursday 18 th | KS2 Carol Services Years 3 & 4 (9:30am) Years 5 & 6 (2:00pm) |
| Friday 19 th | Rocksteady Concert (9:15am) |
| Monday 8 th | Last week of school clubs |
| Friday 19 th | Break for Christmas Holiday |

SPRING TERM 2026

JANUARY

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| Monday 5 th | Children Return to School |
| Tuesday 20 th | 3 Morpurgo Class Assembly (2:45pm) |
| Thursday 22 nd | 3 Wilson Class Assembly (2:45pm) |
| Tuesday 27 th | 5 Rauf Class Assembly (9:00am) |
| Thursday 29 th | 5 Shakespeare Class Assembly (9:00am) |

FEBRUARY

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| Tuesday 10 th | Parents Evening (4:00pm – 7:00pm) |
| Thursday 12 th | Parents Evening (3:40pm – 6:30pm) |
| Friday 13 th | Chinese New Year Themed Lunch |
| Friday 13 th | Choir in a Day Event |
| Friday 13 th | Break for Half Term |
| Monday 23 rd | Children return to School |

MARCH

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| Tuesday 3 rd | 6 Tolkien Class Assembly (2:45pm) |
| Thursday 5 th | 6 Rowling Class Assembly (2:45pm) |
| Thursday 5 th | World Book Day – Dress Up Day |
| Thursday 5 th | World Book Day Themed Lunch |
| Monday 9 th – 16 th | Science Week |
| Friday 13 th | PTA Mother's Day Event |

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| Friday 13 th | STEM MANTLE (2.30pm) |
| Tuesday 17 th | 1 Donaldson Class Assembly (2:45pm) |
| Thursday 19 th | 1 Blake Class Assembly (2:45pm) |
| Tuesday 24 th | Rocksteady Concert (9:15am) |
| Thursday 26 th | Big Sing 2026 (The Stanway School) (1.30-7.00pm) |
| Friday 27 th | Rocksteady Concert (9:15am) |
| Friday 27 th | Break for Spring Holiday |

SUMMER TERM 2026

APRIL

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| Monday 13 th | Children return to school |
| Thursday 23 rd | Year 5 Swimming at Leisure World for 10 weeks |

MAY

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| Tuesday 5 th | Throughout the month – KS1 SATS 4 Jackson Class Assembly (9:00) |
| Tuesday 5 th | 4 Zephaniah Class Assembly (2:45pm) |
| Thursday 7 th | Year 2 Joint Class Assembly (2:45pm) |
| Monday 11 th -14 th | KS2 SATS |
| Thursday 14 th | Year 1 Forest School Starts |
| Thursday 21 st | EYFS Joint Assembly (9:00am) |
| Friday 22 nd | Break for Half Term |

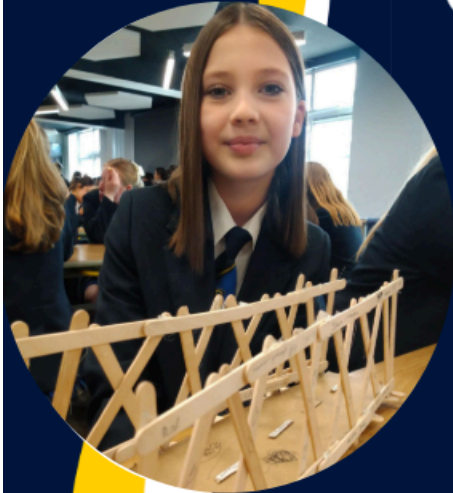
JUNE

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| Monday 1 st | Non Pupil Day |
| Tuesday 2 nd | Children Return to School |
| Tuesday 2 nd – 5 th | History Mantle |
| Friday 5 th | Mantle Parents Event |
| Friday 19 th | PTA Father's Day Event |
| Monday 22 nd -26 th | Sports Week |
| Tuesday 23 rd | EYFS & KS1 Sports Day (parents to watch at 1:45pm) |
| Thursday 25 th | KS2 Sports Day (parents to watch at 1:45pm) |
| Tuesday 30 th | Year 6 Performance (3:45pm) |

JULY

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| Thursday 2 nd | Year 6 Performance (6:00pm) |
| Tuesday 7 th | Annual Reports to go home |
| Wednesday 8 th | Year 6 Residential Trip to Bawdsey Manor |
| Friday 10 th | Year 6 Return from Bawdsey Manor |
| Friday 10 th | Rocksteady (Friday Group) & Summer Music Concert (9:15am) |

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| Tuesday 14 th | Open Evening (3:30pm-5:00pm) |
| Tuesday 14 th | Rocksteady (Tuesday Group) Concert (9:15am) |
| Friday 17 th | Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (1:45pm) |
| Friday 17 th | Break up for Summer Holiday |



Open Evening



2025

Thursday 25th September

5.00 - 8.00 pm



Open Week

29th Sept - 3rd Oct

Please use the QR code to the right or follow the link below to book a tour of the school.

Tours start at 9.15 am every day.

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/the-stanway-school-colchester/e-gpkmla>





September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Primary/Secondary Transfer – September 2026

We write with details of a number of events we have organised to help you decide whether you would like to apply for your child to join The Stanway School in September 2026. At this early stage it is obviously important to gather as much first hand information as possible to help with that decision.

Open Evening Thursday 25th September 2025 – 5.00-8.00 p.m.

Open Week Tours 29th September – 3rd October 2025 - 9.15 a.m.

- If you are unable to make the Open Evening, a tour of the school is offered from 9.15 a.m. on each morning during the week (Monday to Friday). Please arrive at the main reception from 8.45 a.m. where you will be welcomed and shown where to go.
- On Open Evening you are asked to arrive at the front of the school at any time from 4:45 p.m. On arrival, you will be issued a ticket for a specific time to hear a presentation by the Headteacher and you will then be given the opportunity to look around the school. Stanway students will be available throughout the evening around the school to answer any questions you may have. Please be advised that the tours can take at least an hour and we recommend that you arrive before 7.00 p.m. in order to gain the full benefit from the evening. Due to limited car parking spaces, we would urge parents to either walk if it is possible to do so or find suitable parking spaces along the surrounding roads.

We look forward to meeting you all in the next few months and if you have any questions regarding The Stanway School or the secondary transfer process please do not hesitate to contact us at the school.

Yours faithfully,

Jonathan Bland
Executive Headteacher

John Player
Head of School

Headteacher: Mr Jonathan Bland BSc (Hons)

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Tell us what you think!

Complete our survey

Dear Resident,

Over the past year, we've been working closely with the local community on Winstree Road and Villa Road to make the streets around local schools safer for everyone. Based on your feedback, we have:

- Installed a zebra crossing outside Stanway Primary School on Villa Road to make crossing the road safer
- Recruited a new parking enforcement officer to address safety concerns. The officer will encourage any driver who parks illegally or inconsiderately to be cautious and considerate and will be offering information on alternative ways for parents/carers to get to and from school, where practicable. They will have the powers to enforce if necessary.
- Promoted the two "park and stride" sites at the Co-op on Springwood Drive and Stanway Community Centre on Villa Road, encouraging parents and carers not to park on the streets immediately surrounding the schools

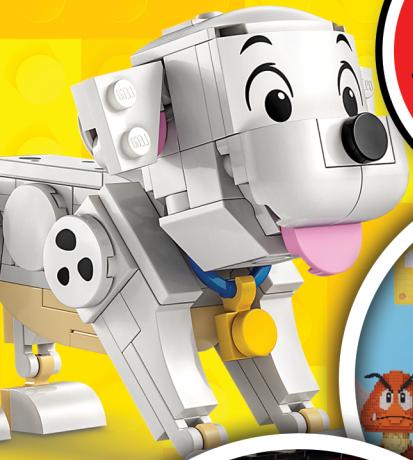
We'd now like to hear from you about these changes. We also want to understand more about how you travel day-to-day. Your feedback will help us improve the way local people experience the streets and explore further ways to make them safer for everyone.



The survey runs until the 12th of October. Scan the QR code below or use this link: letstalkessexsustainabletravel.co.uk/winstree-road-healthy-school-streets/surveys/villa

If you would prefer a printed copy of the survey sent to you by post, please email us at sg.routes@essex.gov.uk

Thank you for helping us make Essex safer, greener and healthier!



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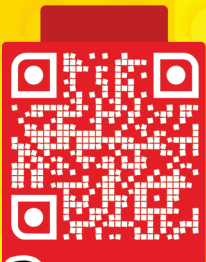
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