

September Strattonian

10th September 2026



Stratton School News | A Fantastic Start to the Autumn Term

Dear Families,

We have enjoyed a wonderful start to the new academic year and would like to thank our students, staff and families for their engagement, kindness and ambition.

Welcome Back, Year 11

A special thank you to our Year 11 students for the brilliant start they have made to this important year. We thoroughly enjoyed welcoming students back with our Year 11 Welcome Back Breakfast, which set a positive tone for the months ahead.



Year 7 Residential

Information about our exciting Year 7 Residential was sent to families this week. The trip offers fantastic opportunities for students to build friendships, develop confidence and create lasting memories.

 [Find out more about the Year 7 Residential](#)

Key Dates & Events this term...

Please remember that all key events and Parents' Evenings for 2026-2027 can be found on our website: [Parent Evenings & Key Events 2026-2027](#)

15 th September	2pm	Mental Health Support Team – Coffee Afternoon*
	3:45pm	Meet the Tutor Evening (Chaundler and Turing Houses)
17 th September	3:45pm	Meet the Tutor Evening (Adlam and Franklin Houses)
18 th September	All Day	Jeans for Genes Charity Mufti
22 nd September	9am	SEND Coffee Morning for New Y7 Families *
	6pm	Camps International Family and Student Information Evening
23 rd September	8am	Roll of Honour Breakfast (Invites only) Y11
29 th September	9am	SEND Coffee Morning Y11 families *
6 th October	9am	SEND Coffee Morning Y 9 families *
8 th October	5:30pm	Y6 into Y7 Open Evening
13 th October	9am	SEND Coffee Morning for Y 10 families *
3 rd November	9am	SEND Coffee Morning for Y8 families *
10 th November	9am	SEND Coffee Morning for Matt King Sixth Form families*
11 th November	8am	Roll of Honour Breakfast (Invites only) Y8
	5:30pm	Y 11 into Y 12 Open Evening
19 th November	7pm	Music Leaders' Talent Show
25 th November	8am	Roll of Honour Breakfast (Invites only) Y10
26 th November	3:45pm	Y11 Parents' Subject Consultation Evening
10 th December	7pm	Cabaret Night (Talent Show)

*** Flyer for the Mental Health and SEND Coffee mornings at the end of this Strattonian**

Year 6 Open Evening

If you have a younger child currently in Year 6, don't forget to book a place at our Open Evening. Mr Farmer will be starting his Primary School Y6 tour next week, visiting all of our feeders and beyond!

Thursday 8 October 2026 from 5:30pm

Book your place here: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/95qhLN7xsY>

Camps International 2028

Following the incredible success of our Kenya Expedition this summer, we are delighted to launch our next once-in-a-lifetime opportunity: **Ecuador & Galápagos Expedition**

 Summer 2028

 Explore the Amazon rainforest

 Discover the world-famous Galápagos Islands

 Experience new cultures and make lifelong memories

 Develop confidence, independence and global awareness

This is open to students currently in Years 9, 10, 11 and 12. Students will need to be a member of Stratton School or the Matt King 6th Form in the summer term of 2028. Families are invited to find out more at our Information Evening on **Tuesday 22nd September**.

<https://stratton.school/camps-international>

Extra-Curricular Opportunities

This term sees an exciting range of clubs and enrichment opportunities available to students, including:

-  Enterprise Club, Hack Club & Python Programming
-  STEM Club & Duke of Edinburgh
-  Eco Club & Board Games Club
-  Art, Photography & Creative Workshops
-  Drama Club & School Production
-  Choir, Orchestra, Guitar, Keyboard & Battle of the Bands
-  Football, Basketball, Netball, Dance, Fitness & Badminton
-  Warhammer Club

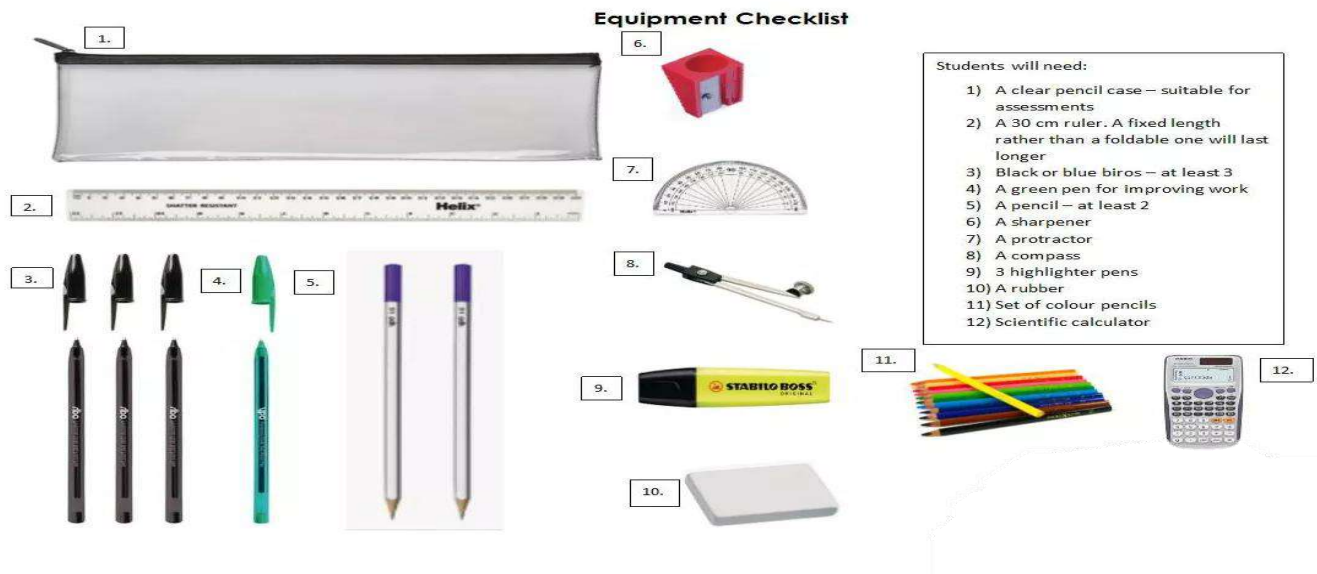
There really is something for everyone, and we encourage every student to get involved in at least one activity this year. We are currently updating our website this week with schedules and times. Clubs will also appear on MCAS.

Ready for Learning Every Day

At Stratton School, we take pride in high standards of presentation and ensuring that every student is ready to learn from the moment they arrive. By arriving fully equipped, students can make the most of every lesson and develop positive habits that support success both in school and beyond. Please also remember our Phone Pouch FAQs can be found on our website here [Phone Free FAQs](#)
[| Stratton School](#)

Uniform Information

 [View Uniform Requirements](#)



Reading at the Heart of Stratton School

At Stratton School, **reading sits at the heart of learning**. We are committed to helping every student develop the confidence, curiosity and enjoyment that come from reading regularly, while fostering a lifelong love of books.

Whether your child is an avid reader or just beginning to discover new genres, our recommended reading lists offer a wide range of engaging titles to suit different interests and reading levels. Many of these books can be borrowed through our school library or ordered via the Biggleswade Library Service. **Recommended Reading Lists** [Explore Stratton School Reading Lists](#)

Jeans for Genes Day – Friday 18th September

Wear Your Jeans to School! On Friday 18th September, we will be supporting [Jeans for Genes](#) with a non-uniform day. Students are invited to wear their own clothes, including jeans (or anything Denim!), in exchange for a donation. **Jeans for Genes** helps children and young people living with genetic conditions by funding projects that improve care, provide support for families, and raise awareness of the challenges they face. We kindly ask that all donations are made through our online JustGiving page using the link below rather than bringing cash into school. Link: <https://www.justgiving.com/id/jeansforgenesday66055>

Catering

We are currently operating on Week 2 of the Caterlink Spring/Summer Menu. Families can view current menus and catering information here: [Catering Information](#)

Keep an eye out for details of our new menu, which will be launching later this term.

House Championship

The race for the 2026-2027 House Championship is underway!

You can keep track of the latest House standings and achievement totals on the front page of our website:

 [Visit the Stratton School Homepage](#)

Every achievement point, act of kindness and contribution to school life helps your House move closer to victory.

Ambition Awards

This week, we were delighted to welcome families and students to our first Ambition Award Breakfast. It was wonderful to see so many examples of their fantastic work, effort and achievement on display, and to recognise the commitment they have shown. Congratulations to all of our winners. We are incredibly proud of your success and look forward to celebrating many more achievements throughout the year!



Don't forget, you can follow us on Facebook to keep up to date with celebrations, achievements, events and day-to-day life within our school community.

Follow Stratton School on Facebook: [Stratton School Facebook Page](#)

Welcome back, everyone, and here's to a cracking term ahead!

Sam Farmer

Principal

Stratton School

PARENT/CARER WORKSHOPS

SUPPORTING YOUR TEENAGER'S MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING

PRACTICAL STRATEGIES. USEFUL INFORMATION.
SUPPORT FOR YOU.

Join us for a series of workshops designed to support parents and carers of secondary school students. Each session will provide information, tools and strategies to support your teenager at home and at school

	Workshops	Date	Time
	Intro to Mental Health Support Team (MHST) Find out about the support we offer and how we work in schools	 15.09.2026	 14:00-15:00
	Anxiety and Transition Workshop Understand anxiety and learn tips to support your teen through change.	 10.11.2026	 14:00-15:00
	Low Mood Workshop Recognising low mood and ways you can support your teenager.	 12.01.2027	 14:00-15:00
	Exam Stress and Healthy Habits Practical strategies for managing exam stress and building healthy routines.	 02.03.2027	 14:00-15:00
	Social Media and mental health Explore the impact of social media and how to support healthy online habits.	 20.04.2027	 14:00-15:00
	Emotional Regulation Understanding big emotions and learn strategies to help your teen manage them.	 15.06.2027	 14:00-15:00

WHO IS IT FOR?

All parents and carers of Stratton School students are welcome

WHAT TO EXPECT

A friendly, relaxed session with useful information, tips and time for questions

WHERE

All workshops will take place at the school (Details to follow)

WHY ATTEND?

Feel more confident in supporting your teenager's mental health and wellbeing

You're not alone - we're here to help

Together, we can support brighter futures



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We would like to invite you to a

SEND COFFEE MORNING



A chance for parents/carers to come together,
meet our SENDCO and learn more about
SEND support at Stratton.

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Sixth Form
22/9/26:	3/11/26:	06/10/26:	13/10/26:	29/09/26:	10/11/26:
9-10am	9-10am	9-10am	9-10am	9-10am	9-10am

Aim of the Coffee morning:



Meet the SENDCO.



Presentation on
SEND at Stratton



Q&A



You will be required
to inform us of your
attendance prior to the
date. Please email to
let us know if you are
attending:

sendenquiries@stratton.school



We belong at Stratton where every individual is known,
valued, and supported.

Be Kind

Be Engaged

Be Ambitious

