

# Stanchester

## Academy

31 March 2023





### Science and Technology Workshop

60 of our Year 9 students took part in a STEM workshop delivered by the Smallpeice Trust. They had to design a town that included renewable energy and present how they would power the town. The students had a fantastic day learning lots of STEM skills.







#### **Music Concert**

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March we held our Spring Concert. 28 children performed either as a choir, band, ukulele band or as soloists.

The talent was immense, ranging from children for whom this was their first experience of performing, to Year 11's who will be going onto Music college in September.

We have had so much wonderful feedback from audience members, thank you to all children and staff involved and I look forward to the next showcase of Stanchester Academy's Musical talent!













It's that time of the year again when we host our annual Stanchester WOW days.

These days give year 5 students the opportunity to come and experience a day at secondary school, getting interesting and exciting tasters of different lessons throughout the day.



We welcomed students from 9 different local primary schools. Thank you to our staff for their fantastic lessons and our Year 11 senior students for supporting both days and thank you to the Year 5 students.

It was great to meet you all!

#### **Diary Dates**

3 - 14th April Easter holiday

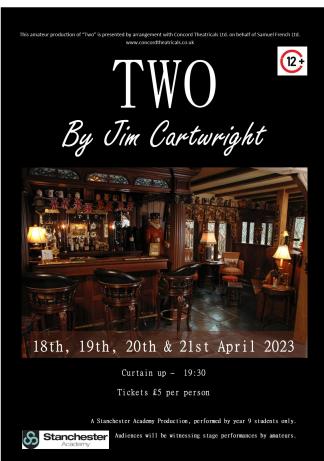
19th April - Year 10 Parents Evening

#### Macbeth

Year 8 had a very exciting end to last week, enjoying a wonderful production of Macbeth, their current text in English, delivered by an external theatre company!

We are so proud and impressed of how our pupils have risen to the challenge of studying a complex text written in archaic English - it has been such a pleasure to explore it with them.





# THE ARMED FORCES COVENANT FUND TRUST

### Stanchester receives huge boost from Armed Forces Covenant Fund

We are delighted to receive a grant of £61,584 from the Education Support Fund of the Covenant Trust to help their students who have a parent serving in the armed forces.

The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust is a charity that supports a wide range of programs for veterans, their carers and families, serving families, and supporting integration of the military and civilian communities.

Headteacher Gregg Mockridge said: "We would like to thank The Military Covenant Fund and mention how grateful we are to receive this grant. These grants are allocated for very specific projects and we are delighted to have the opportunity to transform the futures of our service children."

The funding will help this project last until 2024 and enables those pupils who are struggling with having a parent in the armed forces to talk to a trained member of staff and have the ability to catch up on core curriculum areas of maths, science and English that may have been impacted.

Teacher Rebecca Hendry, who applied for the grant through the MOD Armed Forces Families Fund, was delighted to be awarded the funds "We have a high number of pupils that come into our secondary school late and we need to help them along with being able to offer support if they have a parent deployed which can affect them emotionally. By funding a specialist ELSA staff member and offer them extra tuition combined with a safe space we can ensure that they have all the support needed to help them.

