## **Answers to Frequently Asked Questions.**

- No dogs (other than assistant dogs) are allowed on premises.
- Smoking and vaping is not permitted on school grounds.
- Medicines can be administered to children on health care or asthma plans. Children prescribed medication 4 times a day can have medicines administered in school (please contact the school office.)
- If your child becomes ill in school, they will be looked after in school and parents/carers on the contact list will be telephoned and asked to collect them.
- We use the Health Protection Agency Infection Control guidance for schools to determine when children can return to school after an illness.
- Our car park is for staff and visitors. Parents and carers need to park in a safe and respectful place.

## **Contact Us**

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# Stanley Grove Primary and Nursery School



READY FOR SCHOOL, READY FOR LIFE.

Aim high, work hard, be happy and successful.

# Things that we hold dear for our pupils

Reading to the children every day.

**Playing outside** – even if it is drizzling or snowing.

Experiencing regular **Forest School** and **outdoor learning** sessions.

Showing and feeling **respect** for ourselves, others and our community.

Developing **resilience** – it is ok to fail, as we learn from our mistakes.

Having an 'I can' attitude and doing everything to the best of our ability. I can't do it yet, but I will keep trying until I can.

Feeling cared for and supported.

Giving **experiences** that children wouldn't otherwise get.

Providing a **pride** in **Stanley** and a knowledge of what makes it special and how to help our community.

We have the <u>right</u> to feel **safe**, to **learn** and be **respected**.

#### **Attendance**



Parents are responsible for ensuring children attend school and are on time.

Children can only make good progress if they are in school. If your child will not be in school, parents can email or phone the school with the reason. We do not authorise any term time holidays and we issue fines for holidays taken during the school term.

Medical appointments should be made outside school times where possible.

## **Child Protection and Safeguarding**



We have 5 safeguarding leads in school. If you have a concern about a child, please contact us and ask for a safeguarding lead to discuss this. Our policy and information about the leads plus how to stay safe are on our website.

#### **Behaviour**



We have high expectations of children's behaviour in school, as well as fostering positive attitudes. Our school behaviour policy includes our stepped approach as well as our bullying policy.

## How will I find out about my child's progress?

Children in school are regularly assessed to enable us to identify next steps.

You will receive a termly report for your child in Year 1-6. Early Years children have a summer report and you will find out about their work and progress through the homework links and the work that is sent home.

Parents are also invited into school or to online meetings to find out about the curriculum and to discuss your child's progress throughout the year.

Statutory assessments take place in some of our year groups and you will be informed of the timings and outcomes of these in end of year reports.

'I continue to be impressed with how the school balances a focus on academic work with access to a wonderfully varied curriculum.' (parent quote from our recent Ofsted Report)

### **Communications**

You can find out more information about the school on our school website. <u>www.stanleygroveprimary.co.uk</u>

We keep you informed about events and information about school through our Parent Hub online tool.

We use twitter to show the children's rich curriculum and experience in school. @StanleyGrovePri

School events and term dates can be found on the school website.

### Curriculum



The ambition for our children is to receive a high quality education, built around an ambitious, well-designed and well-sequenced curriculum. Our curriculum enables children to develop a deep and secure body of knowledge and skills in order that they become well-rounded and academically successful.

## Reading



Reading is at the heart of our curriculum where children access high quality books; adults read to children every day. Children in Early years start to learn to read through our systematic Jolly Phonics scheme. Books are used to inspire children's learning in class, as well as to develop life-long readers.

#### Homework



Your child will have a reading book to enjoy every week. Age appropriate homework will be sent home to enable you to further support your child's learning.

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## **Additional Support in School**

## What if my child has special needs or a disability?

We are a very inclusive school, which enables children, whatever their needs, to reach their full potential. All children have equal access to a broad and varied curriculum and we provide early intervention where required.

We have an experienced Special Needs Co-ordinator, Mrs Johnson, who is available if you have any concerns regarding your child's development.

As a school, we recognise the importance of early language skills, and therefore we pay for a Speech and Language Specialist to work with children in school, both on entry and as required. Parents can access meetings with our therapist, to support children with speech and language needs.

We have a Learning Mentor, Miss Knowles, who works across the school with children and families who need specific support with any mental health or well-being needs, as well as supporting children's access to the curriculum in school.

'Staff know the curriculum well. Pupils achieve well across the curriculum. Pupils know that staff have high expectations of their behaviour.' Quote from our recent Ofsted Report

## **Governing Body**

We have a supportive Governing body, who work with the school, to help us to deliver a high quality curriculum and ensure the school continues to work hard to deliver the best education and support for the children's well-being.

Details can be found on our website.

### **General Information**

School starts at 8:30/8:35 and finishes at 2:30/2:35, dependent on year group.

We have a breakfast club which starts at 7:30 plus after school clubs which run until 3:15 or 3:30. These can be booked in advance using our online booking system.

We are proud of our school uniform, which includes a PE and Outdoor Learning Kit. Details can be found on the school website.





Happy Lunchtimes

#### Lunchtimes

We have 3 sittings for lunch in our hall. Your child may have a cooked lunch or bring a packed lunch. School lunches are healthy and balanced, with three choices of hot food (2 being suitable for Halal/Vegetarian). You can order and pay for this through the feeding hungry minds website. We encourage all children to eat healthily and do not allow chocolate or sweets in packed lunches. A chocolate biscuit or cake bar is acceptable. Please do not send nuts to school as we have pupils with allergies. A still (not fizzy) soft drink may be brought into school in a carton or plastic bottle.

#### **Snacks and Water Bottles**

Children need to bring a named water bottle filled with water every day. Children in Early Years and Year 1 and 2, will be provided with fruit or vegetable during the day and children in Year 3 -6 can bring a piece of fruit or vegetable from home for morning break time.

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