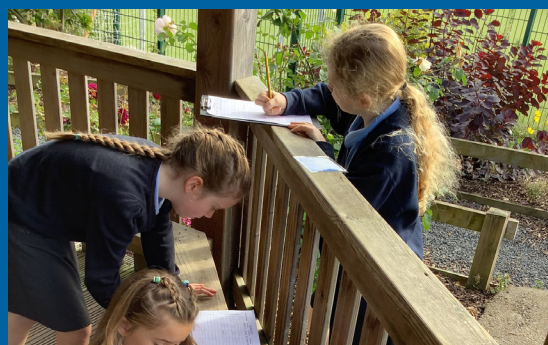


Stoneraise School



School Prospectus

Welcome to Stoneraise School

We are a friendly and thriving primary school on the southern rural fringe of Carlisle – not far from the racecourse. There has been a school at Stoneraise since 1857. It started with approximately 40 pupils; we are now a single form entry primary school with seven classes. Stoneraise School is an inclusive, supportive school that has an ethos centred around our vision of 'Living and learning together to care for each other and our world.'

At Stoneraise we work in partnership with parents and carers so that together, we can promote high standards of learning, behaviour and attitude. Our aim is to enable every child to be the very best that they can be. We look forward to welcoming you and your child to our school.

We provide an exciting and stimulating learning environment for all of our children to enjoy, where they become independent, creative thinkers who are reflective in their learning.

Thank you for your interest in Stoneraise School. We hope you find our prospectus helpful in giving you a flavour of what our school is like and what we can offer your child. We encourage you to explore our website so that you can find out more.



How can I keep updated about what's going on in school?

Our school aims to keep every parent and carer updated with school life and news wherever possible. We do this in a variety of ways:

- Our school website holds many vital pieces of information including policies and curriculum plans.
- Each class teacher shares a half-termly newsletter for parents, which helps keep you informed about current topics, learning experiences and updates.
- You will also receive a weekly email update with any class news.
- Our Early Years team use an app called 'SeeSaw' to share updates about the children's learning in Reception.
- We use text messaging and email systems for sharing whole school information with parents.
- We also use Twitter to share photographs and videos of exciting learning opportunities which have taken place in school.

For further information about our school visit:

- Website – www.stoneraise.cumbria.sch.uk
- Twitter - @Stoneraise_SCH



Uniform

It is expected that all children at Stoneraise School should wear a school uniform. We try to ensure our uniform is affordable and available to purchase in supermarkets. We also have some branded items that can be purchased through our uniform provider 'BE Uniforms'. Our school uniform is as follows:

All children

- A navy blue sweatshirt/cardigan with school logo.
- A light blue polo shirt.
- Black school shoes.

Boys

- Plain grey or black long trousers or shorts.
- Plain socks.

Girls

- Grey or black skirt, pinafore, tailored culottes or trousers.
- Tights or socks.

PE

- Light blue/White T-shirt.
- Navy blue shorts.
- Plimsolls.
- Trainers (to be left at school).
- Plain jogging bottoms for Autumn/Winter term.

Appearance

- Children should not come to school with dyed hair or nail varnish.
- Children should not wear earrings for school.
- No jewellery other than watches, to be worn.

School uniform is available to buy from BE Uniforms by visiting www.teamwear.border-embroideries.co.uk and searching for 'Stoneraise'.



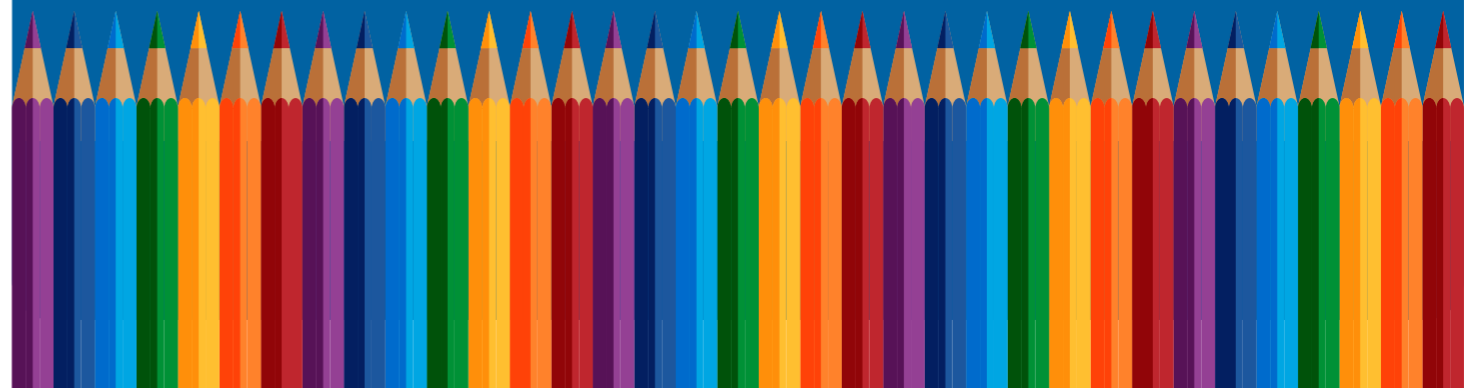
Structure of the School Day

Children can start arriving from 8.45am, where they will be met by a teacher at the front of school who will open car doors and help children who have caught the school bus. The school day finishes at 3.25pm. Parents should park then collect their children from designated pick-up areas.

Nursery sessions also run every morning from 8.55am – 12pm.

Stoneraise School offers full wraparound care from 8am - 6pm every day through our Breakfast Club and After School Club. This is open to all pupils from Nursery (Breakfast Club only) to Year 6. Please see our website for further details and current prices.

Our school also runs a range of extra-curricular clubs from 3.25pm until 4.30pm, throughout the year.



Attendance

Regular attendance and punctuality are vital in order for children to reach their full potential. We aim to work with children and parents to celebrate good attendance and punctuality.

If your child is unwell, on the first day of absence, before 10.00am, please ring the school office and leave a message on the answerphone to let us know your child will be absent and the reason for their absence.

Holidays during term time will only be granted in exceptional circumstances. These need to be requested, in writing to the Head Teacher. Please see our website for a 'holiday request form'.

If your child needs to attend a medical or dental appointment, please try to ensure this is done out of school hours whenever possible.

It is important that your child arrives on time and is collected from school on time. Parents are asked to inform the school if somebody different is collecting their child at the end of the school day.



Snacks and Lunches

Snack time:

Each day, the children in the infants (Reception to Year 2) receive a piece of fruit from the 'Fruit for Schools Scheme'. Junior children can bring a healthy snack (not sweets or crisps) to eat during morning break time.

Milk:

Children under the age of 5 receive free cup of milk each day (provided through a national scheme).

Lunch:

Stonerise School partners with Dolce, a leading school meal provider. We have two cooks who work on-site to produce healthy, balanced meals which are in-line with government healthy eating guidance. Parents can book meals in advance using an online system. For further information about school meals, please visit our website.



Our Curriculum

At Stoneraise School, our vision statement is, 'Living and learning together to care for each other and our world'. Our curriculum has been designed to focus the children's learning on this statement. We are based on the rural outskirts of the historic city of Carlisle and the majority of our pupils travel from local housing estates within the city. We try to make the very most of our beautiful surroundings at every opportunity. From Hadrian's Wall to the mountains of the Lake District, we ensure that our children gain an awe of the majestic landscape on our doorstep. Developing friendships, keeping ourselves safe and preparing our children to be the 'citizens of tomorrow' are all key parts of our curriculum as we follow the journey on our 'Pathway to Success'.



We also have a core team of specialist teachers who are passionate about their curriculum area; these teachers work with different groups of children each year. Our team includes PE, music, art and computing specialists.

Our curriculum ensures excellent coverage of the National Curriculum (Years 1-6) and Foundation Stage Early Years Curriculum (Reception children). Our award-winning school garden is an excellent asset along with our wonderful hens who live on the school site; both add to the breadth of our curriculum offer.

Music is a key strength in our school. All children will learn at least one instrument during their time at school and learn the basics of reading and writing music. We also offer small group music tuition for some instruments.

A variety of school trips are offered through each academic year, ranging from visits during the school day, to residential trips. Most of our excursions link to the curriculum and continue to build and develop learning from the classroom. Further information can be found on our website and through our Twitter feed.



Behaviour and Safety

It is our primary aim that every member of the school community feels valued and respected, and that each person is treated fairly. We are a caring community, the values of which, are built on mutual trust and respect for all.

The school aims to promote and reward good behaviour, as this will develop an ethos of kindness and cooperation. It is our aim to promote good behaviour, rather than merely deter anti-social behaviour.

The school expects every member of the school community to behave in a considerate way towards others.

We aim for children to grow in a safe and secure environment, and to become positive, responsible and increasingly independent members of the school and wider community.



Child Protection

All members of staff have a responsibility for child protection and have been trained accordingly. Legislation means that we have a duty to report any concerns if we feel that a child may be suffering harm. All matters of this nature will be dealt with confidentially and sensitively.

Complaints

We, like every school, don't get everything right all the time. If you do have a concern, your first steps are to speak to your child's class teacher and then to the Head Teacher. Ideally all issues will be resolved at this stage.

In rare incidences, where the complaint cannot be resolved informally, the complaint should be put in writing and addressed to the Chair of Governors.

A full copy of our Complaints Procedure is available to download on our website.



We want to ensure that your transition into school life is as smooth as possible. Whether joining us in September, or mid-way through the school year, you will receive an information pack (either sent by post or email) with full details about what you need to do next. It contains details about the school day, induction sessions (if joining Reception) and a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) guide. A copy of this guide is available on our school website.

We very much look forward to welcoming you to Stoneraise School.



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