

North Stainley CE Primary School



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Our School is us; we will grow, blossom and flourish.*



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Welcome from the Head Teacher

Thank you for the interest that you have shown in our school. I hope that you find the information in this prospectus interesting and informative.

North Stainley CE Primary School is a small, rural, village school with a distinctive Christian character. Our Christian values are central to everything we do and we have strong links with St Mary's Church, North Stainley. We welcome all faiths and cultures and value diversity.

At North Stainley CE Primary School we offer a caring learning environment that is creative, stimulating and where every pupil is valued for their individuality. We are aspirational in everything we do and value progress and achievement in every area of our pupils lives. Our staff know our pupils exceptionally well and mentor them individually throughout their time in our school.

At North Stainley CE Primary School we are passionate about learning and knowledge, and helping our children to excel across a number of areas including Arts and Sport. We believe every pupil should take part in a wide range of exciting and engaging sporting activities - including outdoor and adventurous activities, and have the opportunity to take part in extended school clubs and represent their school at sports competitions and festivals.

All our pupils have an important role within the school and in their local community. We feel that if pupils don't care about their local environment, they will never care about the wider world they live in. As such we encourage our pupils to be involved in their local community both within school- school councils, school ambassadors, charity work, volunteering, forest schools and out of school- Village Arts group, cricket team etc. At North Stainley CE Primary School we take very seriously our responsibility to prepare children for life in modern Britain. We ensure that the fundamental British Values are introduced, discussed and lived out through the ethos and work of the school. All curriculum areas provide a vehicle for furthering understanding of these concepts and, in particular, our RE, PSHE and Citizenship lessons provide excellent opportunities to deepen and develop knowledge and understanding. Children embrace these concepts with enthusiasm and demonstrating empathy and application to their own lives. The school makes considerable efforts to ensure children have exposure to a wide experience beyond their local community.

Our children are all able take an active part in our school community during their time with us. We have a school council with an elected member representing each year group, who continually contribute to our school community and therefore shape the future of our school. We have elected Ambassadors in Years 5 and 6 this includes two Head Ambassadors who lead the school's council, represent the school in the cluster pupil voice group and who lead the school on a number of occasions across the year. We have Worship Ambassadors who lead Collective worship in school and contribute to the promotion of our Christian values and vision in all areas of school life. Sports/House Ambassadors who ensure the smooth running of the house point system and are involved with organizing and reporting on sport and physical activity across the school.

Our class sizes are small; therefore enables our staff and children to build close and positive relationships. All of our staff know every detail of our children's learning thus allowing for much greater personalization of learning.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to

Mrs Louise Wallen

Head Teacher

Our Vision

We are our school, we have our roots and foundation in love



Our school is us, we will grow, blossom and flourish.

Our school vision of having our roots and foundation in love comes from St Paul's letter to the Ephesians. St Paul says "I pray that Christ will make his home in your hearts through faith.

I pray that

you may have your roots and foundation in love, so that you... may come to know his love – although it can never be fully known – and so be completely filled with the very nature of God. (Ephesians 3: 17-19)

Love is the rich soil in which all our Christian values take root.

Friendship

Respect

Resilience

Empathy

Independence

Aspiration

Living out these values will enable us all to grow, blossom and flourish and become caring, confident, successful and responsible citizens of our amazing world.

Our Aims

For pupils at North Stainley School to:

- Be happy and confident in a safe and positive environment.
- Have access to a stimulating knowledge based curriculum that is enhanced by stimulating lessons, visits and visitors.
- Exemplify Christian values and attitudes consistently across our caring school community.
- Learn about the Christian faith through Religious Education and participation in collective worship supported by links with the Church and Diocese.
- Develop their academic skills in order to reach their full potential.
- Develop good citizenship skills by fostering a sense of responsibility for themselves, others and their environment both near and far.
- Develop respect and a depth of understanding for different groups and races in society.

Code of Conduct

- We care for and show respect for each other and everyone in our immediate and wider community at all times.
- We speak politely and courteously to everyone.
- We always walk when moving around school.
- We always try to be the very best that we can be.
- We listen to each other.
- We look after each other and show respect for the school's and each other's property.
- We understand and accept that no form of bullying is acceptable.

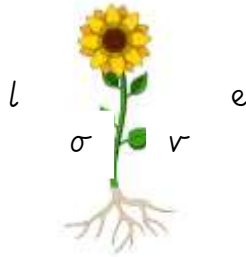
The code of conduct is drawn up and reviewed by children, staff, parents and governors annually.

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural development

SMSC is about developing the whole person. As our pupils move through the school, we are committed at North Stainley CE Primary School, to developing not only their academic standards and levels of achievement, but also their spiritual, moral, social and cultural awareness. We aim to provide opportunities for our children to form their own identity; sense of place and purpose, giving them the confidence to question and discover who they are in the world and face the exciting challenges that lie ahead. Being a church school adds another dimension to our SMSC provision as our Christian ethos permeates all aspects of school life and underpins our values and mission.

About our School

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North Stainley C of E school is a Primary School for children aged 4 -11 years of age. We are a friendly village school supported by our welcoming wider community.

We are located in the original school building dating from 1871. We currently have 3 classes in school and we have a spare classroom for teaching in the meeting room of the Village Hall. There is a playground, with a variety of equipment, the most popular being our scrap store, and a school garden for quiet play activities; this garden is maintained by the children as part of gardening club. The Village Hall is also used for sport, assemblies and we have a full catering kitchen for our school lunches.



Classes In Our School

For the year 2021-2022 we have three classes. The class structure is reviewed on an annual basis to ensure that we maintain our small class sizes.

Class 1: Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 (4-7 year olds)

Teacher: Miss Laura Mae Gregory

Class 2: Years 3 & 4 (7-9 year olds)

Teacher: Ms Maggie Wilson

Class 3: Years 5 & 6 (9-11 year olds)

Teacher: Miss Sally Williamson

Teaching assistants

Mrs C Gray ATA

Mrs J MacArthur HLTA

Mrs A Holian GTA

Mrs Katie Bentley-Briscoe

Additional Support

Our teaching assistants all work with small groups and 1:1 with children needing extra support.

Support Staff

Mrs R Stelling - School Administrator

Mrs S Platts / Miss N Lewis - Kitchen Staff

Mrs J MacArthur/ Mrs C Gray/ Mrs A Holian - Lunchtime Supervisors

Mrs E Wright/ Miss N Lewis/ Mrs S Platts - Extended Schools



Our Admission Policy

All children are admitted in September of the school year in which they are five. Therefore, children whose 5th birthday falls between the 1st September and 31st August will enter school at the beginning of the autumn term of that year.

The children are invited to visit the school for several half-day sessions during the last half of the Summer Term.

The decision to admit out-of-catchment area children will be made at County Hall level in discussion with the Governors and Headteacher.

Our School Day

Breakfast club	7.45am to 8.50am
Morning session:	8.50 a.m. to 12noon.
Afternoon session:	1 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.
Stay and Play	3.30pm to 5.30pm (Monday – Thursday) 3.30pm to 5pm (Friday)

Children enter school when the gates and doors are opened from 8.45am.

The school meets together every day for Collective Worship. Lunch is served in the Village Hall, which gives the children plenty of space and creates a calm and relaxed atmosphere. The children are also able to use the recreation ground outside the Village Hall at break- time and lunch time play.

The number of hours taught in a week is in line with statutory recommendations.

Collective Worship

Collective worship is a focal point of the school day and takes place daily either as a whole school or in class groups.

Collective worship is led by the children, staff and members of the clergy. Once each week Collective Worship takes place in St Mary's Church lead by a member of our clergy Rev Sian Lawton; parents and members of the community are encouraged to join us. Parents may exercise their right of withdrawal under section 25 of the 1994 Education Act.



Inclusion and Equal Opportunities

We are an inclusive school that aims to meet the individual needs of all children. We identify children with special educational or physical needs as early as possible so that appropriate support may be given. The extra support would come from within school initially, but outside agencies would be consulted if the need arose. Parents are kept fully informed and involved at all stages.

We use the North Yorkshire Equality Scheme to ensure that all individuals regardless of gender, race, ability, and cultural and social background should be given opportunity to achieve their full potential. The school is committed to work towards equality and to combat discrimination and harassment. Combating racism and working towards racial equality is particularly important in the predominantly white population of North Stanley School.

School Meals

Our school meals are cooked on site. Every day the children are given a choice of main courses and desserts. Parents can pay for school meals using ParentPay, an online payment system that the school currently uses. Alternatively, children may choose to bring a packed lunch to school. We encourage parents to support our Healthy Schools status and ensure that packed lunches are healthy; fizzy drinks, squash, sweets and chocolate bars are not allowed.



Lunch in the Village Hall

Healthy Schools and Snacks

We consistently promote healthy eating and living. The children are encouraged to drink water throughout the day. They are given a free bottle on entry to the school and additional bottles can be purchased from school. At a small cost the children can also have a drink of milk before morning play. All KS1 children receive a free piece of fruit every day as part of a government healthy eating initiative. KS2 children are encouraged to bring a piece of fruit and/or a healthy snack (no crisps or chocolate biscuits) for morning break.

School Uniform

At North Stainley School we take pride in wearing our school uniform and representing our school in the wider community. Parents are asked to ensure that their children arrive at school smartly turned out and in uniform, ready to take an active part in the school day.

Girls	Boys
Grey skirts/pinafores/ black trousers	Grey trousers
Royal blue school polo shirt	Royal blue school polo shirt
Royal blue school sweatshirt	Royal blue school sweatshirt
Sensible school shoes – not trainers	Sensible shoes – not trainers
Summer – blue checked/striped dresses	Grey shorts

The school polo shirts, sweatshirts and fleeces are available from our school suppliers.

School jackets, PE bags, back packs, book bags and hats are also available to order.

No jewelry may be worn in school other than studs in pierced ears. All earrings must be removed for all PE lessons including swimming. All items of clothing should be clearly named.



P. E. Kit	
White t-shirt	Navy tracksuit or sweatshirts & jogging bottoms
Navy shorts	Plimsolls/trainers/football boots as required
No football strips are permitted for P.E.	

Our Learning Culture

In our school and within our school's Christian Values we work on promoting Aspiration. We want all our pupils to have a positive and dynamic approach to life and learning, to find challenge and making mistakes a necessary part of personal development.

Our teaching reflects our belief that children need to be engaged in their learning and understand how to improve their work independently.

Each teacher works with the children individually across their learning to discuss progress, targets and learning attitudes:

- Effective listening.
- Motivated to learn.
- Positive, active approach to learning.
- Punctual.
- Good attendance.

We have high learning expectations and we expect all children to work to achieve their best.

Tracking

Regular and rigorous pupil assessment is part of the learning process. The children have regular feedback to enable them to understand the next steps in their learning. The progress of the pupils is constantly monitored and tracked, with provision amended to ensure all pupils are moving forward.

Home Learning

To reinforce and extend their learning, children will have structured home learning and this will vary from year to year. This will be broad and varied work, ranging from learning times tables and spellings, to maths and English, to researching information.

Parents' Evenings

Each academic year we will hold two parents' evening, in the autumn term to meet the class teacher and one in the spring term to look at academic achievement. This is a great opportunity to celebrate our children's learning and to discuss any concerns. We encourage all parents to attend. Parents are given written progress reports to take away at parents evening.

In the summer term a written report is sent out and parents are invited to make an appointment to discuss this if they wish.

Parents are encouraged to discuss any aspects of their child's education at any time during the academic year.

Support for the School

Partnership with Parent

The single greatest indicator of a child's success at school is parental involvement. At North Stainley CE Primary School we encourage parents to become involved in their child's school life. We have many parents, grandparents and community volunteers (all are DBS checked to safeguard our children) and we deeply value their contribution to school life.

FONSS

We have a fundraising group called FONSS (Friends of North Stainley School), which welcomes parents and others from the village to organise fundraising and social events, please contact the school office for details if you would like to become involved and help raise vital funds for the school. FONSS has made contributions to swimming lessons, school trips, play equipment, funding a music teacher, books, homework books and IT resources.

Community

The school is at the heart of the community with involvement in the local Church and the Village Hall, which is now used for lessons, lunch, assembly and sports.

Parents, carers and members of the local community are welcomed into school life, with invitations to: sharing assemblies, school lunches, seasonal celebrations, helping in the classrooms and after school clubs.



Parent and Community lunch

Clubs and Extended Schools

We have a wide variety of after school activities including sports, craft, computer, gardening, and DT clubs. These clubs are run within our extended school provision with the support of staff and parents, suggestions for new clubs are welcomed from parents and pupils.



We aim to offer 'Out of School' care to children of school age up to 11 years old. We aim to offer play and educational opportunities that are both fun and challenging. We will promote the dignity, privacy, choice, safety, potential and diversity of all users and staff of the club.

SESSION TIMES AND FEES

Wakeup and shake up	- 7.45 to 8.45am	£5.00 per session
Wakeup and Shakeup	- 8.15 to 8.45am	£2.50 per session
Stay and Play 1 hour	- 3.30 to 4.30pm	£5.00 per session
Stay and Play 2 hours (Monday to Thursday)	- 3.30 to 5.30pm	£10.00 per session
Stay and Play 1.5 hours (Friday)	- 3.30 to 5pm	£7.50 per session

Our Reward System

We encourage our pupils to value themselves, to work hard and behave well because they want to.

Our school is divided into 4 Houses named after flowers: Poppy, Sunflower, Snapdragon and Clover. House points are awarded to pupils who have behaved or worked particularly well; house points are totalled at the end of each week, the winning house is celebrated during our Friday Celebration Collective Worship. Weekly house points are accumulated and every half term the winning house are able to choose a reward for their members ie: a 'wear what you want day'.

When Things Go Wrong

If anyone breaks the school rules, this is what will happen:

- A clear warning will be given that the behaviour is not acceptable.
- If the behaviour continues, 5 minutes of playtime will be lost.
- If 15 minutes of playtime are lost consecutively the pupil will go and see Mrs Wallen where the behaviour will be discussed and unpicked.
- If the behavior does not desist parents will be informed.

Every week the class teacher will choose one child from each year group to be awarded the purple ribbon award. Decisions for awarding children are usually based on achievements linked to our schools Christian Values. Sporadically children are elected by other children, staff members or members of our school's wider community to be awarded a White ribbon. White ribbons are awarded for something truly outstanding.



Destinations

In recent years eleven-year olds who left the school in July went on to attend the following secondary schools:

- Bedale High School
- Nidderdale High School – Pateley Bridge
- Ripon Grammar School
- Outwood Academy – Ripon
- St Aidan’s Church of England High School
- St John Fisher Catholic High School

When children are in their final year here (Y6), the initial selection for secondary education is made. The Local Education Authority provides explanatory notes and a booklet to parents of Y6 children. Parents are invited to come to school individually to discuss their child’s secondary transfer with the head teacher if they wish.

Charging and Remission of charges policy

The Governing Body have adapted the Local Authority’s policy of Charging and Remission. A full copy is available for inspection in school or from the school website.

In summary

In line with the Education Reform Act the school is allowed to make certain charges. For certain activities, the Governors have authorised the Headteacher to ask for appropriate voluntary contributions. No child will be excluded from an activity because his or her parents cannot make a contribution. However, it should be appreciated that if insufficient voluntary contributions are received the activity will not take place.

The Governors have also authorised the Head teacher to ask parents to pay for any damage caused willfully by their child such as broken windows, damaged or lost equipment or books etc.

Personal accident insurance for children

The County Council insures only against injury caused to children as a result of the negligence of the Authority, its servants or agents and does not insure to pay compensation following an injury suffered by a pupil.

The school has taken out Personal Accident Insurance for all the children on their behalf. This covers all school activities including sport and residential visits in the UK. A copy of the insurance policy is available in school for inspection. Children’s personal belongings remain at all times entirely the responsibility of the parent or guardian. School uniform and PE kit should be clearly named. No electronic equipment or mobile phones should be brought to school.

Complaints

Should parents have a complaint about the school curriculum or a related matter, they should first approach the Head teacher who will welcome the opportunity to resolve the problem. However, if this course of action proves unsatisfactory there is a Formal Complaints Procedure, details of which are available in school.

Emergency Closures

Parents will be contacted in the mornings if the school is to be closed through the website text messaging system. Please ensure you keep your contact details up to date with the school office. We will also announce any adverse weather closing on local radio either My Harrogate or stray Ferret.

Child Protection

North Stainley CE School is committed to ensuring the welfare and safety of all children in school. All North Yorkshire schools, including North Stainley CE Primary School, follow the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Board procedures. The school will, in most circumstances endeavour to discuss all concerns with parents about their child/ren. However, there may be exceptional circumstances when the school will discuss concerns with Social Care and/or the Police without parental knowledge (in accordance with Child Protection procedures). The school will, of course, always aim to maintain a positive relationship with all parents. The school's child protection policy is available publicly.

Absence and Medicines

Absences

Parents/carers are requested to phone school on the first day of absence. A written explanation or email should be sent to school upon return to school. In the case of sickness or upset stomach, parents should keep their child off school for 48 hours after the last episode of illness.

If parents need to take their child out of school an application for Pupil leave of Absence form must be completed. The head teacher is not authorised to permit absence for family holidays. Please refer to our Attendance policy.

Medicines in school

Teachers will administer medicines only at the written request of parents on their doctor's advice. Please refer to our Medicine Policy. Medicines must be kept in a safe place by the teacher, not the pupil.

If your child has Asthma we ask that parents complete a medical form available from school.

North Stainley CE Governing Body

Mr Nathaniel Potts	Chair of Governors
Mr Tony Jowett	Local Authority Representative/Vice Chair
Mrs Julia Hawkrigde	Parent Governor
Mrs Emma Edwards	Parent Governor
Mrs Jane Mansell	Foundation Governor
Rev Sian Lawton	Foundation Governor
Mrs Glenys Bailey	Co Opted Governor
Mr George Dyke	Co Opted Governor
Mrs Sally Williamson	Staff Governor
Mrs Louise Wallen	Headteacher

Message from the Governors

We hope that you have found the information in this prospectus helpful and interesting. We have made every effort to show what an exciting and caring school North Stainley can be for your child.

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Headteacher. We would also like to welcome you to visit us to experience our school environment first hand, meet the staff and most importantly our pupils.