



Stanground St John's Cof E Primary School 2021 Prospectus

Welcome to Stanground St John's Church of England Primary School.

We are so very proud of our school, which has firm foundations based on Christian values. This ethos permeates everyday life and learning, and is supported by our close relationships with our academy sponsor, the Diocese of Ely, and our local church, St John's.

We are a family school. With our team spirit, we all work together to offer a happy, caring and stimulating environment allowing adults and children to thrive in a learning community.

Everyone believes that learning is life-long. We are committed to providing aspirational and high quality education for all of the children in our care, empowering them to grow and excel personally, socially and academically.

We work to develop strong partnerships with our parents and the community. We are fortunate to have a supportive, but challenging local governing body and an active and welcoming 'Friends Association'. With your support, we strive to ensure your children thrives.

The purpose of our prospectus is to give you a better understanding of life within our school, providing details of the organisation and our broad and balanced curriculum.

If we can help you in any further matter, then do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to meeting you and working together for the benefit of your child.

We do hope you and your child enjoy your time with us at St John's Church of England Primary School.



Aims and Ethos of our School

At Stanground St John's, our school motto is:

Aspire, Empower, Excel.

This represents our desire and determination to give every child the best life chances. As a compassionate community, we celebrate the unique qualities of each individual within it.

It is underpinned by our Christian Values, which permeate every aspect of our school life:

Love, fellowship and forgiveness
Hope and bravery
Wisdom, justice and honesty
Thankfulness, humility and respect
Peace and freedom

They are the roots supporting us and we demonstrate them through our learning behaviours of resilience, resourcefulness, reflectiveness and relationships.

In accordance with the principles of the Church of England and in partnership with the Church, at parish and diocesan level, the school aims to serve its community by working within it; providing an education of the highest quality and encouraging an understanding of the meaning and significance of faith.

Historical Background

Primary education started with Church schools and there has been a church school on our site since 1900. The school caters for children from 4 to 11 years and serves primarily Stanground Village, as well as parts of Fletton, as it has for the last 100 years. Situated south of the River Nene, on relatively high ground overlooking The Fens, the area was historically part of the Isle of Ely in Cambridgeshire and of Huntingdonshire.

The Parish of Stanground is a large and ever growing community with its own shops, fire station, primary schools and secondary school. The two Church of England churches in the Parish are the larger, more traditional and older church of 'St John the Baptist' in Church Street and the smaller but more modern-build of 'St Michael's and All Angels' in Mace Road. Both churches offer a warm welcome to anyone wishing to visit, either for worship or at our social events.

We have close links with our partner Church St John the Baptist, which is a distinctive landmark across the city with its black tipped spire and beautiful interior that goes back hundreds of years.

Our children attend Church for festivals and at the end of each term, bringing together our Church and School families.



Family Community

We value a close working partnership with between school and home. We liaise with parents and carers through Marvellous Me and Tapestry. We hold regular events and termly parent consultation evenings

We value volunteer help in the classroom, both from parents and members of the local community. This includes the more regular role of a Reading Buddy.

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all volunteers to share this commitment. Regular help would require a DBS check.

The Friends of St John's

A committee of parents called 'The Friends' work to help the school through organising various fundraising activities. All parents are automatically members of 'The Friends' and are notified of events through our online communication systems.

The success of 'The Friends' relies upon the active membership. This could involve attending meetings to decide on the events that should take place, helping to plan them or simply baking cakes and lending a hand.

This is an association for the benefit of the children and the School. It raises funds for extra equipment for your child(ren) as well as providing events throughout the year. Examples of their excellent events are school discos, sports day refreshments, Easter Fayre, Christmas Fayre and the Summer Fete.

Administration

Admissions

The Local Authority (LA) is responsible for the admissions policy, with an intake of 30 children each year.

Reception Children

Children are admitted into our Reception Class in the September of the school year during which they will be five years old. Pupils attend on a part time basis in the first days of September.

The School Day

Gates open at 8.45am and children go straight into classrooms



	EYFS	Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2
School Starts	8.55am	8.55am	8.55am
Break	10.40am – 10.55am	10.40am – 10.55am	10.40am – 10.55am
Lunch	12.20pm – 1.20pm	12.30am – 1.30pm	12.30pm – 1.30pm
School ends	3.15pm	3.15pm	3.20pm

Absences

Parents should notify the school of all absences either by personal visit, telephone or letter. All unexplained absences are marked as 'Unauthorised Absence' on the registers. We are not allowed to accept explanations from the pupils themselves.

Money

Money that needs to be brought into School should be placed in a sealed envelope with the child's name and class written on it. There should be a clear indication for what the money is for. We will be moving to an online money system from September 2021.

Meals

School meals are provided by SchoolGrid, who have their own online ordering and payment system.

Free school meals applications may be made at the School Office. If you might be entitled to this, please do apply, whatever year your child is in, as it leads to Pupil Premium Funding, which goes beyond the free lunch and supports your child's education.

All Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 children will be able to receive free school meals under the Government's Universal Free School Meal Scheme.

Packed Lunches

Children may bring a packed lunch, if preferred. The lunch should be packed into one clearly named container. Please ensure that the packed lunch provides a healthy, balanced meal. Sweets, chocolate bars or fizzy drinks are not permitted. We are a Health Promoting School and expect parents to share the same commitment.

Fruit and Milk

Children in Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 will be given fruit daily. Key Stage 2 children are encouraged to bring a piece of fruit for morning breaks. Milk is provided free of charge for children under 5 years of age, however, an application must be made to Coolmilk which can be done by completing a form available at the School Office. All children are also offered a glass of milk at lunchtimes.



School Uniform

Our school colours are red, white with grey or black. Therefore, the children are encouraged to wear white shirts or blouses, bright red sweatshirts, jumpers or cardigans and grey or black trousers or skirts. In the summer the girls may wear red and white checked dresses. The only jewellery worn should be stud ear rings and watches. Children should wear black enclosed toe shoes without a heel, due to health and safety issues.

For PE lessons plain black shorts and t-shirt should be worn with, depending on the weather, warm clothing for outdoor lessons from October to April. Footwear is bare feet for indoor sessions and trainers for outside. We ask for children with shoulder length hair or longer to tie it back and jewellery to be removed or covered over during the lesson.

We expect all children to wear school uniform which is conducive to the working atmosphere of the school. Items of uniform, PE kit and book bags with the school logo are recommended and details are available on our website.

Please write your child's name on each piece of clothing

Curriculum

We provide a creative, broad and balanced curriculum, which caters for the educational and social needs of our pupils. We cover the full range of subjects from the National Curriculum 2014 and provide appropriately purposeful, sequential and cohesive learning for all our pupils.

Details of our English, Maths and Wider Curriculum are available on our website.

Here you can also find information on phonics; sports and PE; online safety and wider curriculum events, trips and news.

Music is a strength of our school, with all of our children having a number of opportunities to sing and play musical instruments.

Valuing outdoor learning and being fortunate to have excellent school grounds and resources, we provide Forest School sessions in our woodland area.

Assessment

The pupils' learning is continually assessed using teacher assessments. At the end of Year 2 and Year 6 standards are assessed and reported in line with national SATs guidelines. In Year 1, we complete a Phonics Screening and in Year 4, a Multiplication Tables Check.

Data from statutory assessments can be found on the school website.

Religious Education



Our RE teaching is based upon the Peterborough Agreed Syllabus, using the the resources of Understanding Christianity and the Emmanuel Project. It teaches about the Christian faith alongside the other main religions of the world.

Personal, Health, Social and Citizenship Education

We believe that it is vitally important that the children learn about themselves and about other people. We therefore teach about feelings, attitudes and social relationships throughout the school using our PSHCE and Relationships programmes. These policies can be found on our school website.

Wellbeing and Mental Health

We are fortunate to have extensive wellbeing support, led by our SENCo and SENCo Assistant / Learning Mentor. This support can be whole-school and at group or individual level. We are proud to be an Attachment and Trauma Aware School, using therapeutic behaviour management approaches (Steps) and Emotion Coaching. We have two trained Mental Health First Aiders for adults and young people.

Collective Worship

Each day we have a form of collective worship during assemblies which involve either the whole school or a particular Key Stage. Worship is of a Christian nature in accordance with the trust deeds of our school. Our worships include praise and celebration, when we recognise children's achievements in work and behaviour, both in and out of school. Year 6 pupils take on responsibility for arranging the hall for Collective Worship, with music, words and the Bible, cross and candle on display.

School Council

Our School Council represent all the pupils in school and we work together to improve the school. The council plays an invaluable role in school, representing the pupil voice.

Safeguarding

Our school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children in our care and we expect all stakeholders to share this firm commitment.

Our Child Protection procedures are intended to safeguard all children in our school and any actions are taken first and foremost in the interest of the child. Please see our website for details of our safeguarding leads and governors; our safeguarding policy and related policies.



The Governors and Staff at St John's Primary School are committed to providing high quality education for the benefit of every individual child who attends the school. Parents are encouraged to discuss any aspect of their child's education with a member of staff, the Head Teacher or a Governor. Arrangements to do so can be made through the School Office.

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