

Primary School and Nursery Class

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<u>Head Teacher's Message</u>

Welcome to the August 2020 edition of the Stane Newsletter. I hope you have had a wonderful summer break.

It's lovely to see all of the children back in school, looking very smart in their school uniform and sharing all of their news about the holidays. I'd like to take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to all new members of the school community; pupils, staff and parents/carers.

We were faced with new challenges as we approached the end of term in June. I am very grateful to the staff and Parent Council for all their efforts and contributions to the end of term celebrations for our nursery children and Primary 7 class. All of our children, staff and parents demonstrated patience and understanding through a very challenging time and I am extremely grateful – thank you!

The beginning of term is a time of change and new experiences for the children. While the majority of the pupils will make these transitions smoothly, please speak to a member of the team if you have any concerns about your child. We are here to help.

We have a very supportive and active Parent Council who work tirelessly throughout the year to shape the school improvement plan and to raise funds for every pupil. I look forward to working alongside them again this year.

Ms. Laura Simpson (Head Teacher).

Twitter: @staneprimary

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Tuck Shop

We provide a tuck shop service in school, allowing pupils the opportunity to purchase a healthy snack and drink to enjoy during interval.

The tuck shop is operated by the Catering Service and is available to all children in Primary 1-7 every day at 10.20am.

All children are provided with a cashless card for use at Tuck Shop, which can be topped up online. All details were sent out via text by NLC. Further information can be found here:

https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=2 2284

Tuck Shop Price List -August 2019

Fresh Fruit	30p
Toast (1 Slice)	20p
Baked Crisps	55p
Milk	10p
Yoghurt Drink	50p
Yoghurt	45p

Crisps are only available Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Various members of our school community have severe allergies to some food items, therefore the following are **not allowed** in school or nursery:

- any nuts or products which may contain nuts
- peas or products made with peas/lentils/pulses

This applies to all pupils, staff and visitors

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School Lunches

We offer two options for Primary 1-7 children who wish to buy lunch:

- A cafeteria lunch
- Snack2Go (a packed lunch provided by the cafeteria)

The current price is £2.10 for a two course meal or a Snack2Go. We operate a cashless system and pupils must top up their cards during Breakfast club or at interval.

Free School Meals

All children in Primary 1-3 are entitled to a free school meal. Parents of children in Primary 4-7 who may be entitled to a free school meal should apply directly to North Lanarkshire Council. Forms can be found both in school and online. Please contact the school for further assistance should you need it.

Pre-ordering

We operate a pre-order service to ensure all children will get their choice of meal every day. Children select their lunch choice, including starter or dessert during morning registration. It helps if children know their choice for lunch when they come to school each day.

Two Sittings

We operate two sittings during lunchtime. The first sitting in the dinner hall is from 12.30pm and the second sitting is from around 12.50pm. This is to ensure all children have time to eat and also play outside.

Parents can sign up to receive an email of the lunch menu each week here:

https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=5594

The weekly menu will also be posted on the school twitter page: @staneprimary



General News

School Uniform

Wearing a clean school uniform each day helps create a sense of school pride. The pupil dress code can be accessed on the school website at <u>bit.ly/pupildresscode</u>. Children's jumpers and sweatshirts should be red only - other colours should not be worn. These can be purchased from Border Embroideries.

Please remember that children should only wear black shoes or plain black trainers as their outdoor shoes. At the moment children will not require indoor shoes, however this is subject to change. (Wellingtons and winter boots are permitted in inclement weather).

Annual Data Check

In the coming weeks, Annual Data Check forms will be sent home. Please check that the contact details and emergency contacts are correct and up-to-date. All forms must be signed and returned, with any changes noted on them. It is important that the school and nursery hold the most up-to-date information for the children in case of emergency.

Keeping in Touch

Text Messaging will continue to be used to inform parents/carers of emergency information and attendance only. Our main method of communication continues to be the school Twitter account, which can be accessed at <u>www.twitter.com/staneprimary</u>. It is not necessary to have a Twitter account to view the page. If you do have a Twitter account, follow @staneprimary to keep up to date.

Other sources of information

In our aim to keep parents/carers as fully informed as possible, the school will:

- publish regular newsletters
- send home letters via 'pupil post'

If you have any questions, comments or concerns at any time, please get in touch. You can telephone the school on 01501 826705.

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Lost Property

Please assist in preventing items of school uniform being lost or misplaced by labelling all items of clothing, footwear, bags and packed lunches with the children's name.

PE Lessons

All children will take part in a minimum two hours quality PE per week. If your child is unable to participate, please inform the class teacher in writing. Please remember that all jewellery should be removed for PE lessons.

All PE lessons will take place outdoors until further notice. Children should dress appropriately. PE days will be issued shortly.

Indoor Shoes

Indoor shoes are not required at the moment. However this is subject to change.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Water Bottles

Children are encouraged to bring 1 or 2 filled water bottles to school every day and to keep hydrated during lessons. Only water is permitted during class time. Children should take their bottle home each night to be washed. It is recommended that bottles be 'BPA Free' or 'PFT Free' and that they are washed with soapy water each night.

Children may bring metal water bottles and flasks to school, but glass bottles are not permitted. Fizzy Drinks Cans and bottles of carbonated drinks, including energy drinks are not permitted in school.

Mobile Telephones and Personal Electronics

Children are not permitted to bring these items to school.

COVID 19

Any child that displays COVID symptoms should not attend school. Parents should contact the school as soon as possible to inform HT.

Any child that displays COVID symptoms in school will wait in our isolation room next to the school office until. Parents/carers will be contacted immediately and will be advised to follow Scottish Government and NHS guidance.

Medical Information

Please inform the office staff of any medical conditions that may affect your child in school. If your child requires prescribed medication during the school day a medical form must be completed and parents will be allocated a time to drop off medication.

Sickness and Diarrhoea

Children experiencing these symptoms should not return to school for 48 hours following the last period of sickness/ diarrhoea.

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Stane Primary School Holiday Dates 2020/21

Thursday 24 th September	In-service Day for staff, children do not attend.
Friday 25 th & Monday 28 th September	HOLIDAY - September Weekend
Monday 12 th - Friday 16 th (Inclusive)	HOLIDAY - October week
Monday 16 th November	In-service Day for staff, children do not attend.
Wednesday 23 rd December - Tuesday 5 th January (Inclusive)	HOLIDAY – Christmas and New Year
Monday 8 th & Tuesday 9 th February	HOLIDAY
Wednesday 10 th February	In-service Day for staff, children do not attend.
Friday 2 nd April – Friday 16 th April	HOLIDAY - Spring break
Monday 3 rd May	HOLIDAY
Thursday 6 th May	In-service Day for staff, children do not attend.
Friday 28 th - Monday 31 st May (Inclusive)	HOLIDAY - May weekend
Thursday 24 th June 2021	School closes for summer break at 1pm.