



LGS
STONEYGATE

PROSPECTUS



A SPACE TO GROW

Pupils at LGS Stoneygate thrive in a community where they can find out who they really are. A community that offers a space for pupils to flourish based on our core values of curiosity, commitment, creativity and caring for others and ourselves. LGS Stoneygate is a space where academic and pastoral excellence is a priority. A space where pupils find and develop their passions while establishing lifelong skills to ensure that they become the best version of themselves.

LGS Stoneygate pupils take pride in working hard and engaging with all levels of challenge. The pupils gain a huge sense of achievement from the progress they make which is largely due to the fully inclusive education, excellent teaching and strong family ethos at the school.

Pupils are at their most fulfilled when challenged both inside and outside the classroom therefore a holistic education is a priority at LGS Stoneygate. We recognise that a comprehensive and fully integrated approach to education and well-being, along with excellent pastoral care and high levels of academic rigour, offers the best opportunity for our pupils to grow and achieve the career path of their choice. Pupils are supported by a personal tutor to assist and guide where needed and celebrate in every triumph of their LGS Stoneygate journey.

The LGS Stoneygate community hosts a warm yet vibrant energy that is hard to put into words. Complimented by beautiful grounds our pupils are the heartbeat of the school and are encouraged to take every opportunity that comes their way, immerse themselves in school life and grow beyond their capabilities.

A HAPPY SCHOOL

When you walk around our school grounds, it is hard to imagine a better place to learn. We believe that a happy child learns best. At LGS Stoneygate our classrooms are filled with learning and laughter as they are both integral to pupil progress.

LGS Stoneygate is based on traditional values yet future focused. Our beautiful historic buildings stand alongside modern science and food technology labs, IT and sports facilities. We value books, art, technology, sport and performing arts; we embrace our unique culture built and refined over the last 165 years, yet successful at preparing pupils for the modern world.

From Reception to Year 11 our pupils are inspired by excellent teaching, clear core values and high teacher to pupil ratios. Pupils throughout the school consistently aspire to do their best and achieve their full potential.

All our pupils are both challenged and supported. Pupil mental health and well-being is at the forefront of our ethos and we encourage all pupils to be caring to others and themselves and take part in our extensive co – curricular program.

Whether you are at the start of your school journey or joining for Year 7, at LGS Stoneygate there is space to learn, to play, to explore, to sing, to represent, to act, to build...to grow. Our core values, the four C's: be caring, creative, curious and committed are an integral part to our educational experience and are an area of school life that is in the control of the pupils which empowers them to be the best version of themselves and ultimately achieve beyond their expectations.



**“COMMITTED, CURIOUS,
CARING AND CREATIVE”**



“AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY PARENTS ARE GREETED BY HAPPY, INSPIRED, WELL-EDUCATED CHILDREN, WHO CLEARLY LOVE THEIR SCHOOL AND TEACHERS. RIGHTLY SO, BECAUSE IT IS A VERY SPECIAL PLACE, WHERE CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITY THRIVE.”

A parent

WE ARE CARING

As a school community we care about ourselves, each other, the local and global environment.

Showing kindness helps cultivate trust, crucial for relationships within our school.

For us, being caring is an interpersonal skill – it requires courage and strength.

Pupils are taught to respect each other and their surroundings.

WE ARE CREATIVE

Pupils and staff are encouraged to be creative in every subject area and in all that they do. Creativity is certainly not limited to the 'Arts'.

In the 21st century, where communication is vital, we encourage individuality and expression in all subjects. We want our pupils to be creative on the page, in debates, in Food Technology, on the stage, on the sports field and in assemblies.

Throughout the academic year we have stunning art displays, numerous musical performances and stage plays. Every pupil will be involved in the annual Arts Festival.

We also believe that learning takes place 'beyond the classroom' - this conviction lies behind the emphasis we place on trips, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award and outings to galleries, theatres, parks and museums.

Our grounds support a thriving Forest School programme for pupils from Reception to Year 9 to experience as a unit within part of their Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) curriculum.

We want, expect and encourage our LGS Stoneygate pupils to be bold, to be adventurous, to be creative...



**“AT LGS STONEYGATE
CREATIVITY AND ENJOYMENT
SEEM TO BE AT THE HEART OF
EACH CHILD’S LEARNING.”**

A parent



“CURIOSITY DEVELOPS LIFELONG LEARNERS”

Headmistress

WE ARE CURIOUS

In an age where the apparent answer is a mere 'click away', we believe it is important that children think for themselves. Children should explore, experiment, question and challenge theories.

From Reception to Year 11 we want to develop curiosity. By asking the right questions, pupils will develop a deeper understanding of the challenges posed in everyday classroom practice and how these relate to their wider lives.

With specialist teachers from Reception, investigation and curiosity form an integral part of pupils' learning.

WE ARE COMMITTED

At LGS Stoneygate we believe that all staff and pupils must show commitment and perseverance. We must all be ambitious and strive for the very best in all that we do. This is a genuine part of our school ethos.

From an early age, we encourage pupils to set high expectations for themselves and offer support wherever necessary.

From spellings and timetables to sports fixtures and GCSE exams our pupils must be committed to the right attitude and therefore feel confident to step outside their comfort zones and be empowered to grow as individuals.



“PUPILS ACHIEVE REGIONAL AND NATIONAL SUCCESS IN MUSIC AND SPORT DUE TO THEIR HARDWORK AND COMMITMENT”

Deputy Head Academic and Head of Music



“DURING EACH STEP OF THEIR JOURNEY, THE CHILDREN ARE GIVEN A PLETHORA OF EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN AND DEVELOP- MENTALLY, SOCIALLY, CREATIVELY AND PHYSICALLY.”

A parent

THE PRE-PREP (Reception to Year 2)

For many pupils their LGS Stoneygate learning journey begins in School House. It is here our Reception and Year 1 children enjoy their own age appropriate facilities along with our glorious woodland which is used as an extension to the classrooms. This wonderful location, coupled with inspirational teaching and a child-centred approach, creates the ideal environment for young children to flourish.

Year 2 are based in Manor House where, in addition to the wonderful outdoor surroundings, they have access to the library and more age appropriate play spaces.

All children work in small class sizes under the care and guidance of highly skilled and experienced teachers, allowing for personal growth and to instil a natural love of learning through academic discovery and exploration.

Our exciting curriculum gives the opportunity to explore cross-curricular themes linked to History, Geography, Science, Art and ICT. It is in the Pre-Prep years that our pupils are stretched in Maths and English, but they also enjoy specialist teaching linked to Forest School, Music, French and PE and swimming.

THE PREP SCHOOL (Years 3 to 6)

Pupils in Prep are taught in both the Manor House and the Senior School.

Pupils begin with their own class teacher (in Years 3 & 4) and are gradually introduced to more subject specialism so that, when they reach Year 5, they have subject specialist teachers for many lessons and are taught in subject rooms rather than their form room. This fosters an increasing development of independence but still with an umbrella of support.

Pupils in the Prep School are also placed in a House ('the League system' - the oldest in the county!) - with pupils encouraged to do well in all areas of school life for their League.



**“BEING AT THIS SCHOOL HAS MADE
ME REALLY BELIEVE IN MYSELF”**

A Prep pupil



“I LOVE BEING IN THE SENIOR SCHOOL. THERE IS A GREAT BALANCE BETWEEN INDEPENDENCE AND SUPPORT... WE HAVE FUN AND WE LEARN... THERE’S A REALLY WONDERFUL ATMOSPHERE HERE.”

A Senior School pupil

THE SENIOR SCHOOL (Years 7 to 11)

In the Senior School we offer a diverse and dynamic curriculum to enable all pupils to thrive. We give pupils the opportunity to try as many subjects as possible before making their GCSE choices.

Academic rigour and flexibility go hand in hand at LGS Stoneygate, with pupils able to opt for both traditional GCSE routes alongside BTEC and VTEC options - perfect for skills needed in the 21st century. In an ever-changing world, we prepare our pupils through leadership and entrepreneurial programmes to develop confident, articulate young members of the community.

LEARNING OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

At LGS Stoneygate we take great pride in our co-curricular programme, as we are committed to offering a holistic education for all our pupils. Whether it is Yoga with Year 1, German with Year 3 or the Ecological Club in Year 8, our co-curricular programme is both ambitious and varied, as we believe this opens up a world of experiences to enrich pupils' learning.

Trips and visiting speakers enhance learning; we offer opportunities for our pupils to travel overseas, this could be either with the modern foreign languages (MFL) department or performing with the senior school choir. These are unforgettable experiences. Whether leading a trip up Snowdon, performing Shakespeare or creating a business venture - pupils at LGS Stoneygate learn the importance of collaboration, commitment, curiosity, leadership and risk-taking, whilst also developing a true sense of community. All necessary skills for the 21st century...



“EDUCATION IS NOT THE FILLING OF A BUCKET, BUT THE LIGHTING OF A FIRE.”

W B Yeats



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