



STONAR



Year 7 & 8 Curriculum and the Stonar Diploma

A stimulating curriculum that supports every pupil to be the best they can be.

How the Year 7 and 8 Curriculum Aligns with our Principles:

Work Hard:

Pupils reflect upon their academic and co-curricular progress and, with one-to-one tutor support, they set their own goals and plan their routes to success.

Be Kind:

Pupils are supported by their tutors and teachers as individuals, receiving personalised encouragement and support to make excellent development pastorally, as well as academically.

Get Involved:

Pupils take an active role in the School community by participating in clubs, representing the School, taking opportunities to lead activities and by being a voice for positive change.

Shape the World:

Pupils, through their study of our modern curriculum, are encouraged to see ideas and concepts from varied viewpoints and to develop the skills needed to protect and shape the 21st century world.

The Stonar Diploma

The Stonar Diploma is a two-year learning journey for Years 7 and 8 that challenges pupils to maximise their academic progress, to develop team-working and leadership skills and to participate widely in School life, making the most of the opportunities available to them.

At the end of Year 8, they are awarded either a **Distinction**, **Merit** or **Pass** Award judged on the following criteria:



Learning Skills for Life

Through the Diploma, the curriculum aims to develop essential skills in each pupil that will prepare them for their continued journey in education and beyond:

Respect:

Pupils develop respect for themselves and each other by working closely together as a community in their classrooms, in co-curricular activities and in their end-of-year Diploma challenge.

Resilience:

Pupils develop resilience by finding their own solutions to problems, reflecting on their progress, planning ways to improve and by responding to teacher feedback.

Integrity:

Pupils learn the importance of honesty, morality and hard work in all aspects of School life.

Independence:

Pupils are supported in developing independence through their target setting, action planning and leadership opportunities in School.

The Stonar Diploma Challenge

During the Spring term, Year 8 pupils are invited to attend an outdoor adventure challenge trip to Plas Pencelli in the Brecon Beacons in Wales. This is an exciting opportunity for the pupils to develop their teamwork skills, organisational ability, and their leadership of others.

The Stonar tutors and Pencelli staff will assess all pupils to give valuable evidence towards their final Diploma grade.

