

Newsletter Friday 28th November 2025

Dear parents and carers,

We would like to thank you so much for your support on our Bake Sale. So many wonderful and tasty cakes were sent and the children really enjoyed them.

Thanks to your generosity, we have raised £366.20 and all the money will be used for Christmas resources needed for the performances.

Scholastic Book Fair

You always support our Book Fair and we would like to thank you as we have raised this time £397. We use all the money to get some more books for our ever-improving school library.

Light up the Dale- Friday 28th November

Please come into school yard at 5:15 pm. Children will be able to collect their made lanterns from their learning zone, and we will leave at 5:30 pm towards Stanhope marketplace for the big Christmas switch on!

Christmas performances for KS1 and KS2

Tickets are live on ParentPay, and we have availability of 2 tickets **per family** on the first ticket release.

For KS1 and EYFS, there will be only one performance on Tuesday 16th December at 2pm.

For KS2, there will be two performances on Thursday 18th December at 2pm and 5pm.

If you would like more than two tickets, please let the office know and I will put them on waiting list as first come first served basis.

May I just clarify, that for KS2, you would need to choose whether you would like 2 tickets for the evening or afternoon, or one for each performance.

Parents' evening appointments

Reminder to book your appointments for next week, and the dates are as follow;

Mrs Quiney: Tuesday 2nd December and Thursday 4th December

Miss Excell: Monday 1st December and Tuesday 2nd December (fully booked)

Miss Hunter-Purvis: Wednesday 3rd December

Mrs Green: Tuesday 2nd December (fully booked) and Wednesday 3rd December

Mr Tatham: Tuesday 2nd December and Wednesday 3rd December

Please get in touch if you need a new letter with a QR code.

Stanhope Barrington CofE Primary School WhatsApp channel

After the Friends of Stanhope Barrington fundraising meeting, it was discussed that maybe a channel on WhatsApp would be another useful tool to keep you updated. This channel has been created, and you can join the channel by this link:

<https://whatsapp.com/channel/0029VbC1HsfADTOKGFSvJ62a>

Alternatively you can come to the office and scan the QR code.

Christmas raffle

Over the last three years our themed Christmas Raffle hampers have been extremely popular and have helped to raise money for the Friends of Stanhope Barrington. Therefore, we have decided to continue with the themed hampers again this year.

I am therefore writing to request donations for these themed hampers. The idea is that parents & carers from each Learning Zone are being asked to donate items which will go into their themed hamper.

The themes this year are as follows:

Learning Zone	Theme	Suggestions
Amethyst	Pamper night	Bath bombs, hand creams, chocolate, etc
Sapphire	Movie night	Crisps, popcorn, snacks
Ruby	Swets & Chocolate	Any sweets or chocolates
Emerald	Arts and crafts	Cards, Christmas crafts, and any craft
Diamond	Toy and Games	Smallish toys which will fit into a hamper basket.

Dates for the Diary

Friday 28th November- Light up the dale

Monday 1st- Thursday 4th December-Parents' evening appointments

Monday 8th December-Christmas night childcare (until 6:30pm)

Wednesday 11th December- Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 16th December 2pm- EYFS+KS1 Christmas performance

Wednesday 17th December-Christmas Lunch

Visit from Santa for EYFS and KS1. (PM)

Thursday 18th December- KS2 Christmas performance at 2pm and 5pm

Friday 19th December-Last Day of Autumn Term

Monday 5th January- 1st day back at school

If there is anything you would like to discuss, do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes,
Sofia Gurbillon
Business Manager