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Dear Parents/Carers

11th November 2025

Re: Friends of Stanhope Barrington

I am writing to invite you to come along to an informal coffee morning style meeting on Tuesday 18th November 2025 at 9.15am to discuss how we can revitalise our Friends of Stanhope Barrington Fundraising group.

If you have any ideas, suggestions or can offer to support any of our events even for just one hour this would be very much appreciated.

We already have some great ideas but need some practical help in delivering them and would love to hear of any creative or innovative ideas you might have too.

For those who cannot attend the meeting at 9.15am, the meeting will be repeated at 3.30pm on the same day.

The funds raised by The Friends of Stanhope Barrington achieves two aims. Firstly, it raises money which is used to subsidise school trips and events to the value of £22.50 per child per year. This means that we need to raise between £2,700 and £3,000 every year to be able to keep that going. This helps to make trips and events more affordable for parents/carers and helps us to ensure that every child is included and no-one is left out of an adventure because of financial pressures.

Secondly, money raised at specific events is used to purchase resources for our children to enhance the provision. This includes lovely arts and crafts materials for Christmas crafts and resources which we would otherwise not be able to afford from the ever decreasing school curriculum resources budget.

The work and support of The Friends of Stanhope Barrington is an essential part of our school and the whole team are eternally grateful for all of the support and help we have received. I look forward to meeting with as many of you as possible on Tuesday 18th November.

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Yours sincerely

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