DND Learning Trust

Stanhope Barrington C of E Primary School

Newsletter Tuesday 17th November 2026

Thank you for all your Children in Need donations, we have raised £99.

Christmas Afternoon Tea

This year, with support from the Friends of Stanhope Barrington, we are very excited to be hosting our very first Christmas Afternoon Tea! This will take place in school on Thursday 3rd December, starting at 2pm. We'd love you to join us, but if you're unable to attend, you are very welcome to invite someone special to come along in your place.

Tickets are £10 per person and will include a lovely festive spread of 0% mulled wine, sausage rolls, pies, sandwiches, scones and cake or cupcakes. To make the afternoon extra special, the children will be serenading our guests with Christmas carols, while you sit back, enjoy some festive treats and soak up the cosy Christmas atmosphere.

Tickets are available now via Arbor and are selling fast!





Christmas Shopping Day

Our Shopping Evening was such a success last year that we're bringing it back! On Monday 7th December, children can stay at After School Club until 6.30pm, giving you a bit of extra time to shop, wrap presents or simply get organised for Christmas.

Even better, it's National Slime Day, so the children will be making some festive slime to sell during the week, with the money raised helping towards our Christmas performance outfits.

Now available to book on Arbor, the cost is £10.

Christmas Panto

This year, in a break from tradition, we are delighted to be taking the children to the pantomime at The Gala Theatre, Durham! We will be travelling to see Rapunzel on Wednesday 2nd December and are sure it will be a fantastic festive treat for everyone. Please sign up via Arbor by Friday 27th November. The cost is £10.50 and unfortunately, children in Pearl (2YO) will not be attending.



This trip is subsidised by "Friends of Stanhope Barrington" and the contribution is £7.50 per child.

We are looking forward to a magical day full of laughter, music and Christmas fun!

Scholastics Book Fair

We're delighted to announce that the Scholastic Book Fair will be in school from Tuesday 24th November to Friday 27th November. This is a fantastic opportunity to pick up some great reads for your children and perhaps even get ahead with a few Christmas presents!

Every purchase made at the Book Fair helps our school too. A percentage of the money spent is returned to us in rewards, which we use to purchase new books for our school library. This means that every book bought helps to inspire a love of reading across our school community.

We hope to see lots of families there and thank you for supporting both reading and our school library.

Christmas Bake Sale



Attendance

Regular attendance is really important in helping children feel settled, confident and connected to their learning and friendships in school. Even small amounts of time away can add up and make it harder for children to keep up with their learning.

Learning Zone Attendance

Learning Zone	Percentage
Amethyst	93.7%
Sapphire	97.4%
Ruby	96.6%
Emerald	92%
Diamond	94.7%

Safeguarding

At Stanhope Barrington, the safety and wellbeing of every child is our highest priority. We work hard to ensure that all children feel safe, supported and able to thrive both in school and beyond.

If you ever have a concern about a child's welfare, or if there is something happening outside of school that you feel we should be aware of, please do not hesitate to get in touch. Working together with families helps us provide the best possible support for our children.

Our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) are:

- Mrs Green
- Mrs Quiney
- Sofia Gurbillon

Please contact the school office if you would like to speak with one of our safeguarding team. Thank you for your continued support in helping us keep all children safe

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 24th November	Zoo Lab in School
Tuesday 24th November	Scholastics Book Fair
Thursday 26th November	Cake Sale
Friday 27th November	Light up the Dale Parade from School
Wednesday 2nd December	Panto – Durham Gala
Thursday 3rd December	Christmas Afternoon Tea
Monday 7th December	Christmas Childcare Evening
Wednesday 9th December	Rocksteady Concert
Thursday 10th December	Christmas Jumper Day

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

Best wishes,
Sofia Gurbillon
Business Manager