



Stanhope Barrington CoE Primary School Newsletter

FEBRUARY 2020



SATs APPROACHING

This term, it is heads down and hard work for our Year 6 children who will be preparing for their KS2 SATs.

SATs will take place week commencing MONDAY 11TH MAY 2020.

To support your child, please make sure they complete their homework and any tasks given to help them to prepare or revise.

It is essential that they learn their spellings from the word lists given.

We have found the Reading paper the most challenging. Year 6 children are all receiving a Reading Booster Group, this half term and Year 6 parents are welcome to join us on a Friday afternoon at 1.30pm.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Open every day from



8.00 am until the start of school costing £2.50 per day which includes cereal, toast and a drink. There is no need to book a place—just turn up on the day! Please pay daily or a week in advance. The school is not insured to have children on site prior to 8am so doors will not open until 8am.

Parents, please drop children off at the main entrance. Due to Safeguarding regulations

Parents should not come into the school.



SOCIAL ACTION TEAM

Our social Action Team (Alex, Lewis, Lily and Chloe G) are helping out at Toddler's at the Church Hall every other week. They are working alongside Jo Hayes who organises and runs the Toddler Group.

Our Children are giving something back to their local community; learning how to support others; developing their communication and interpersonal skills and learning about social responsibility.

SCHOOL OF ROCKS

The AONB attended school on 9th January to deliver a whole school assembly on the Geology of the Local Area. It is a really important part of our Humanities curriculum that our children learn about their local area and appreciate how to protect it for future generations.

The Moon Hares Music Project

Class 4 have recently had an amazing opportunity to perform at The Empire Theatre, Consett. Following two workshops in School, Class 4 children performed with an adult choir and Orchestra on two evenings. The children were amazing and had a fantastic time. Olivia, Xavier and Annie also took part in drama on the stage in front of a huge audience. Feedback from parents and children has been very positive and we are grateful to Durham Music Service for offering this amazing opportunity.



ALADDIN

On 23rd January, M&M Productions delivered a pantomime to the whole school based on Aladdin.

The scenery, costumes and music were outstanding.

We are currently applying for a grant to allow us to welcome them back into school later in the year.

VOLUNTEER WANTED

Anyone interested in helping our ECO Club please contact Mrs Cross.

We start on Thursday 27th February and run every Thursday 3.15pm—4.30pm

ZOO LAB

Our Friends from Zoo Lab have been to visit us again this term and Rob and his animals delivered workshops to every age phase across the school.



The Magic of Harry Potter

Who needs Harry Potter World when we have The Friends of Stanhope Barrington?

What an amazing night!

The Friends organised Harry Potter Night which we held on Friday 31st January.

The atmosphere was electric as parents and children crammed into the school rooms at the Methodist Chapel.

There were lots of activities, games, food and drinks and even a real life Hedwig!

Thank You to everyone who supported the event (which raised £357 for the School). Huge Thanks to all of the Friends who were involved.



SICKNESS & DIARRHOEA

Reminder to please keep your child off school until 48 hours after the last bout
of

Sickness or Diarrhoea.

Please remember to pay dinner money every week, on a **Monday**.
£10.25 per week. It will help greatly if you could put the money in a
sealed envelope with your child's name, class and amount paid on the
front of the envelope, and hand it to the class teacher or the school
office. Many thanks for your co-operation.



A reminder that your first deposit of £50.00 is due by
end of February 2020 for the trip to Kingswood in
September. You can also pay smaller weekly instalments
if you prefer. Just send in your payment to school with
your payment card so that it can be updated. Many
thanks.

YEAR 5 TRANSITION PROGRAMME

This term our Year 5 children from Class 4 and Class 5 are attending Wolsingham School to
take part in photography lessons on a Friday afternoon. This is giving them the opportunity to
use technology we don't have in Primary schools. They are creating some amazing

animations!



- Hrothgar the Viking is working with class 5 on 6th Feb
- Mad Alice are delivering Theatre Workshops for EYFS & Yr 1 on 7th Feb
- 14th Feb @ 2pm Valentines' Disco
- Parents appointments W/C 2nd March
- 5th March World Book Day
- 12th March KS2 Ed visit to Science Week event at Beamish
- 13th March Sports Relief
- 18th March class photos
- 27th March All Stars Cricket Taster sessions for Yr 1, 2 & 3

UNIFORM

Order forms are available
from the school office
and uniform can be
ordered
throughout the year.



School paperless letter.

In our aim to reduce costs and help the environment, we would like to become a paperless school as
much as possible. Please could you return your opt in slip asap, if you have not done so already.

Please remember to check our Website, if possible, as all letters and information will be available on
there. Our Website is updated weekly.

Thank You.



HOLIDAYS 20/21

Holiday	Closing date	Date re-open
Christmas 2019	Friday 20 December 2019	Monday 06 January 2020
Spring half-term 2019	Friday 14 February 2020	Monday 24 February 2020
Easter 2020	Friday 03 April 2020	Monday 20 April 2020
May Day 2020	Thursday 07 May 2020	Monday 11 May 2020
Summer half-term 2020	Friday 22 May 2020	Monday 01 June 2020
PD Day 5 June 2020	Thursday 04 June 2020	Monday 08 June 2020
Summer 2020	Friday 17 July 2020	Thursday 03 September 2020
Autumn half-term 2020	Friday 23 October 2020	Monday 02 November 2020
Christmas 2020	Friday 18 December 2020	Monday 04 January 2021
Spring half-term 2021	Friday 12 February 2021	Monday 22 February 2021
Easter 2021	Friday 26 March 2021	Monday 12 April 2021
May Day 2021	Friday 30 April 2021	Tuesday 04 May 2021
Summer half-term 2021	Friday 28 May 2021	Monday 07 June 2021
Summer 2021	Friday 16 July 2021	To be determined

SPARE SHOES

Could all children please be provided with spare shoes that they can wear inside our school.

We encourage outdoor play as much as possible but wet and muddy shoes can be uncomfortable for the children to remain wearing once inside.

The spare shoes can be left at school and do not need to be taken home at the end of the school day.

30 hours provision

Our school provides 30 hours childcare provision for those who meet the eligibility criteria. Our outstanding EYFS unit is very popular and often over-subscribed. Every effort is made to meet the needs of the children in the day. At the current time we are providing 30 hours for up to 10 children with additional hours provided by SCAMPS. If parents do not meet the eligibility criteria, they can still purchase childcare through SCAMPS.

School Matters!



If your child will not be attending school, due to illness, medical appointments etc, please can you call the school office before 9.00 am to let us know the reason why?



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Don't forget ...

If you do need to take your child from school during term-time, for whatever reason, please complete a 'Leave of Absence' form which is available from the school office.

This form should be completed and returned to the school in advance of the absence.

Please remember to let the school office know if there are any changes of circumstances, including name changes, addresses or telephone numbers.