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Dear Parent/Carer 15th October 2024

Re: How Can I Help My School?

I have been asked this question a few times in the last couple of weeks and thought it might be useful to pull of the information together into one letter. There are many ways in which you can help your child's school:

Asda Cashpots for Schools

Use your Asda Rewards App when shopping in store or online.

Easyfundraising.org.uk – especially when doing your Christmas shopping!

Over 4,000 shops and sites will donate to Stanhope Barrington CE Primary School for FREE when you use easyfundraising to shop with them. This means you can raise donations for us when you buy anything from decorations and festive food shopping to gifts like toys, jewellery, tech, experiences and more!

These donations really help us and all you have to do is use easyfundraising when you're ordering the things you'll be buying anyway.

- 1) Simply go to easyfundraising.org.uk
- 2) In the Search for a Cause bar type in Stanhope Barrington and select our school
- 3) Click the pink button 'Support this cause'
- 4) Register with your email address or Facebook
- 5) Click Create my account for free

When you login in you can click on Donation Reminder in the top right hand side of the site. This will put a reminder in to your browser toolbar so that whenever you shop on any of the 4,000 websites that donate to our school when you buy something it will pop up and you can activate your donation with one easy click.

Recycle Clothing

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Please donate any unwanted clothing, shoes and bags in the donation bin outside the staff carpark. We receive a donation based on the weight of clothing they collect – this is averaging £60 per month which is really useful.

Volunteer Readers

We are always on the lookout for anyone who can commit to coming into school for one afternoon per week to work as a volunteer reader. This role involves reading 1:1 with a range of different children and supporting those who require additional support or don't have the opportunity to read with an adult at home.

Volunteer as an Escort

We take our children to lots of different educational visits and sports festivals and we often require adults to help us to supervise these events to ensure the safety of the children.

Volunteer at Fundraising events

We are very grateful for adult volunteers at events such as the MacMillan Cancer Coffee morning or our Christmas, Easter and Summer Fairs. We also welcome any ideas or suggestions for fundraising events which people would like to organise – obviously being mindful of financial pressures on our families.

Use of Preloved School Uniform

Using our preloved uniform helps us to reduce our carbon footprint and help the environment by recycling uniform. Please help us by either donating or taking our preloved uniform.

Making donations of resources or equipment

Over the last year we have been very grateful for donations of lockable filing cabinets, stationary, toys, dressing up clothes etc and these are always welcome so long as they are in good condition.

Help with the school garden

Last year we worked with OASES to develop a community garden on the back field in which we grow vegetables which members of our community can help themselves too. We also have an allotment garden in school which is always in need of weeding and planting. Help with painting the school outdoor classroom and shed is needed every year.

Supporting school events

Such as donations for our Harvest Festival, buying Christmas Raffle tickets and supporting other fundraising events throughout the year.

Yours sincerely

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