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Dear Parent/Carer

Hairdresser in School

We understand that some of our children have difficulty accessing a hairdresser and this can be a difficult experience for all involved. Stacey from Stacey Barber's which is based in Consett, comes into school on a weekly basis to provide a service should you wish to use it for your child's haircut.

The appointments are arranged by parents directly with Stacey and school will be providing the space. There will be a charge directly to her for the appointments and it is important that you read the attached information which she provides to all potential new customers.

If you are interested in using this hairdresser in school, please complete and return the attached form to school no later than Wednesday 27th September.

Yours sincerely

Andrea Timmins

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Acting Headteacher



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Stacey's Barbers

PLEASE READ BEFORE COMING TO YOUR APPOINTMENT. IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

Hi my name is Stacey and I am a fully qualified barber and hairdresser with over 16 years' experience. I am fully DBS checked and qualified in sign language and understanding autism. In addition to this I have experience of working in SEN schools and colleges with children and families with various additional needs.

Here's a few things you need to know and a few questions which help me to adapt the appointment to each individual. Appointments are necessary for these sessions.

Appointments are adapted to each individual. Children are not made to sit in a chair or sit still and no force is used as this can just escalate dysregulation. The session is about building trust and cutting hair only when the children are comfortable. Usually, I allow the child to play and I work around them. I would not leave any child with half a haircut although sometimes I do advise a break if I feel like the child is really distressed. The first session is usually to see how they feel in the environment and around me, although I will try and cut their hair if I feel like the child is comfortable. It can take time to build trust and work through difficulties the same as anything else so please don't give up. I ask that you try to keep regular appointments as this will help form a routine. I advise 45 minutes for an initial appointment and then we can go from there.

Payment

I will take a deposit for every appointment. Appointments will only be confirmed once payment has been made via bank transfer. The deposit is the full amount of the actual appointment – first appointments are £20 for a 45 minute session. If a future appointment is booked payment will be required upfront before the next booking is made. Deposits are non-refundable with anything less than 48 hours' notice. Payment information is below;

Account name; Stacey's Barbers LTD

Sort code; 30-98-97

Account number; 87704462

Please confirm (details below) once payment has been sent via and please use your child's full name as a reference.

Appointments are not confirmed until I receive the message.

Any questions or queries please contact me directly:

staceysbarbers@hotmail.com

01207 775763

Facebook and Instagram: Stacey's Barbers



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Please answer these questions with as much detail as you can.

Details	Parent Response
Your contact details (name and telephone number)	
Your child's name	
Your child's age	
What class AND school are they in	
What has your child been like on previous visits to the barbers/hairdressers?	
Does your child have any allergies?	
Are they a sensory seeker?	
How do they react to clippers/scissors/hairdryers/wet hair etc?	
How do they react with having their hair brushed and what do you use to brush it? (Comb, brush, detangler etc)	
Are they verbal/non-verbal?	
Can they be violent towards themselves or others?	
Do they have any triggers that could make them upset or angry? (Using the water spray etc)	
How long since their last haircut and how long is their hair currently?	
What style/haircut is your end goal?	
If there is anything that you think would make the session easier then I'm always open to suggestions. For example, if the individual favourite toy they would like to bring then sometimes this is a huge help.	