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Welcome to our winter newsletter we hope our parents find this helpful in keeping up with our news and finding out what the children have been doing and will be doing at Ecclesall Kids Club throughout the year. Don't forget our website <u>www.ecclesallkids.club/ekc/</u> which has everything you need to know, this can be accessed through the school homepages too.

End of term & Group 2 KS2

We ended last term with a Christmas disco which was very much enjoyed by both children and staff, a special thanks to Nettie one of the play workers who provided the disco for us. This term in group 2 the children have been enjoying a variety of new resources in club, which have included new craft, board games, books and we are currently awaiting a delivery for outside equipment. Please encourage your children to help us look after the equipment, as this means we will be able to purchase new additional equipment rather than continually replacing the same items over and over.

EYFS/KS1

Our EYFS topic this term is once upon a time, with a focus on goldilocks, the gingerbread man and the three little pigs. We will be doing activities such as, goldilocks role play using different size of objects, Teddy bears picnic, mask making and decorating gingerbread biscuits. We also now have table football, pool, table tennis and air hocky that the children are thoroughly enjoying. We have been working through our list of jobs from the child surveys and completing reasonable request from the children, unfortunately we cannot get a swimming pool.

Easter Holiday Club

Holiday Club will be running in the Easter holidays from 8th – 12th April 2024, please check out the website for the full program sheet which includes some exciting new trips and some new fun games and activities, you can book now in advance.

Labell Belongings

Please ensure children's belongings are labelled, our staff will be the able to return them to the child's classroom at the end of a session. Once the children arrive at the club, they are unable to go back to their classrooms to collect any belongings they may have forgot.

Mobile Phones

Children who bring mobile phones to school, must hand them to the club member of staff when arriving at breakfast or afterschool club and may have them back in time for school or to go home.

Children Not Attending

If you have a cancellation within 24 hours of the start of a session including on the day, please telephone 2681116 and leave a message on our landline to tell us your child will not be attending. Messages can be left 24/7 including weekends.

Car Parking/ Late Pick Ups



Unfortunately we have had to text and email parents on a few occasions about entering the car park to pick up and drop off. The only cars/users allowed access are ones using the disabled parking bays. It is hazardous for our children and their parents, waiting to pick up or drop off if cars park around the entrance. Please ensure any collectors are also aware of this information.

A reminder also that any late pick ups after 6:00pm will be unfortunately charged. Safeguarding policies mean that two staff must also be present. Whilst we appreciate there may be occasions when parents are late due to circumstances outside their control and we are open to reviewing charge for a one off late pick up, please bear in mind that late pickups impact our staff who might miss their bus or are then late for their own nursery/childminder pick up time.

Staff Changes

We wish Denise Brown the clubs Business and HR Manager a very happy retirement and thank her for all her hard work, dedication and drive she has given the club. We say goodbye to Raees and Amy Playworkers who we hope enjoy travelling.

We welcome Sam Willatt, Gracie Tidman, Eddie Hall, Toni Bus, Antoinette Goldsworthy, Mark Boscolo and Abi Goodison who all have joined as Playworkers with Childcare experience and qualifications and Sports coaching.

Myself Kelsey Adams-Poole will be replacing Denise Brown as the Business & HR Manager and I thoroughly look forward to supporting the club/parents and staff in Business and HR related matters. I hold a business & Management degree and CIPD qualification in HR with 13 years' experience within the HR/business Field. Please see my profile on the website.

All staff profiles can be seen at the entrance to the club along with there picture and you can also find these on the company website.

Breakfast Finish Time

Just a reminder that breakfast finishes at 8:25am so children who wish to have breakfast in the club need to be in by 08:20am to allow them time to eat their breakfast

Welcome New Committee Members

Welcome to Tassie Daniels and Nicola Miles who have recently joined the committee team. Our Voluntary Parent Committee sets the direction for the club and leads, our strategic direction, policies and finance, we welcome new parents to join us, please email us at **Ecclesallkids@gmail.com** for more information.

Parent Survey

We would like to thank all parents that took part in the parent survey, this helps us determine what can be improved/ any changes needed, it also gives us a good idea of what parents/children think of the club/ facilities and activities. It also gives us ideas to take on board for holiday club and general day to day running. The data and a report will be shortly sent out and these will be added to the website so you can see the results.