
Gledhow Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Breakfast Club and After School Care

We wanted to write and share with you our thoughts about before and after school care for September 2018. We are aware that a number of families have been very anxious about arrangements in the Autumn, and we hope that this letter can allay most worries.

Breakfast Club

From 3rd September 2018, we are extending our breakfast club and making 60 places available per day. Breakfast club will open from 7.30am and there will be a charge for all children who attend. (Please be aware that we will also offer some additional places at a much reduced charge for children whose families are in receipt of particular benefits). We will review numbers regularly and may increase if demand exists. Breakfast club will continue to be run by staff already employed by Gledhow School, and will offer children a simple breakfast and care up until the beginning of the school day. We will be sending out booking forms soon, and will be inviting families to book places for September.

As now, the breakfast club will continue to use the school hall, and may make use of other spaces in the main school building. Breakfast club will continue to be term time only.

After School Club

From September 2018 we will be expanding the after school provision which currently runs as ASAC. We will offer care on a daily basis from the end of school until 6pm. This will take place in school buildings, though we are yet to decide which spaces these will be exactly.

We will hope to offer 60 places per day in the first instance (and will review this regularly) and there will be a charge for families which reflects the sessions being almost three hours long. This provision will be term time only.

The after school provision will be led and staffed by Gledhow employees and will follow all the policies and procedures of the school. Children will be offered a range of activities to take part in and will have a simple snack during the session.

From time to time we will also offer shorter sessions which are likely to be one hour in length. The first of these will take place after October half term. For five weeks we will run clubs for specific activities and these will be run either by existing school staff, or by staff who we employ for this specific purpose. We are planning that from week commencing 12th November to week commencing 10th December, a number

of activities will run in this way on Mondays and Tuesdays from end of school until 4.15pm. The contribution for these sessions will be approximately £12.50 for five weeks.

From September onwards, we hope that staff in school may offer extra-curricular activity especially in sport. These activities will take place in the school hall and are likely to be minimal cost or free.

We will be sending out booking forms in due course and these will include explanation of how we will deal with applications and waiting lists and so on.



We are very pleased that the school will continue to work in partnership with Candystripe who for 22 years have offered care to children at Gledhow. Candystripe will continue to offer both breakfast club provision and after school care. Both services will take place away from the school site at Lidgett Park Church, where they already offer childcare for other schools. Transport will be provided from Gledhow School to Candystripe within a 48-seater coach which is already in use. They can also offer support for after school club ASAC collection if required. Candystripe can be contacted directly for more information by telephoning 0113 269 0270 / 0113 268 9443 or by email on info@candystripeinc.co.uk.

Candystripe will also offer care for our children during school holidays and on school training days. This may take place off site, or may be within Gledhow's school building in the future. They offer playschemes in 3 locations currently and offer care for all training days too. Please see their website for more details on www.candystripeinc.co.uk.

If you have any further queries please get in touch with the school's Business Manager. At this time we are not ready to receive bookings, but will send out booking forms next week to all families.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Mrs Sarah Griggs'.

Mrs Sarah Griggs
Interim Headteacher