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# After School Club Admissions and Fees Policy



### **Kidmore End CE Primary School**

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## Kidmore End CE School After School Club



#### **Admissions and Fees Policy**

Kidmore End After School Club is committed to providing a fair and open admission system that offers a competitively priced and good value service. We will encourage and actively support eligible parents/carers claiming and taking up the childcare element of the Working Tax Credit and will promote the use of Childcare Vouchers.

#### **Admissions**

When a parent/carer contacts the Club enquiring about a place for their child, they will be given all the relevant information they require including details of the Admissions and Fees policy, and informed of whether there is currently a suitable place available for their child. If a suitable place is available, the parent/carer and child will be invited to visit the Club if they wish and speak to members of staff.

If the parent/carer agrees to abide by the terms and conditions of admission, including the level of fees and arrangements for payment, they will be asked to complete and sign the Registration Form & Agreement to confirm their child's place. Once the admission is confirmed, we will contact the parent/carer concerned to arrange a date for the child's first session at the Club.

#### **Waiting List**

To ensure that admissions to the Club are offered on a fair and transparent basis, the following procedure will apply to the management of waiting lists:

- If, on making a booking enquiry for their child, a parent/carer is informed that there is not a place available on the required day, the waiting list procedure will be explained and then activated on the parent's/carer's behalf.
- Parents/carers will be encouraged to submit booking requests for a place for their child to the Club by email to <a href="mailto:asc@kidmore-end.co.uk">asc@kidmore-end.co.uk</a>
- The waiting list will be kept and used on a 'first come first served' basis. The Club will advise the parent/carer of where they are on the waiting list. This information will only be an estimate and will not constitute a binding guarantee from the Club.
- If a space at Club becomes available, we will contact the parent/carer who is highest up on the waiting list.
- In addition to this the Club may consider the following:
  - Extenuating circumstances affecting the child's welfare or his/her family.
  - Children of siblings who are already attending the Club.
- If that parent/carer still wishes to take up the place for their child, they will be asked to confirm the booking by email
- If the parent/carer concerned no longer wishes to take up a place, the parent/carer of the next child on the list will be contacted.

#### **Fees**

The Club understands that the cost of registered childcare may seem expensive to a parent/carer. However, providing a high quality, safe and stimulating service for children is not cheap and to ensure high standards and sustainability of the Club, we ask that parents/carers respect our fees strategy.

- The level of fees will be set by the School Governors and reviewed regularly (at least annually) in light of the Club's financial position, future strategic plans and any other broader economic or social considerations deemed relevant
- Invoices for sessions used will be issued weekly. Payments can be made online using PMX, or in cash or by card at school. Payment of fees should be made on receipt, although we welcome payments made in advance.
- If the fees are not paid on time, the Club will notify the parent/carer in writing and request payment at the earliest possible opportunity. A late payment charge of £10 will be added to a parents account if fees are overdue.
- The school has the right to issue a formal warning to the parent/carer and inform them that continued late payment will result in their child's place at the Club being forfeited. We reserve the right to take legal action, if necessary, to recover any outstanding payment.
- If fees are paid persistently late or not at all with no explanation, the Club may be forced to terminate that child's place.
- Parents/carers are encouraged to speak to a member of staff or the Owner if they have any query about the Admissions and Fees Policy, or if, for any reason, they are likely to have difficulty in making a payment on time.

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