**Wrap Around Clubs in Discovery Schools Academy Trust: Key Information & Parental Agreement**

**September 2018**

**Introduction**

Our clubs exist to provide high-quality out-of-school hours childcare, run by school staff for families who attend our schools. We aim to provide a range of stimulating and creative activities in a safe environment, within the ethos of our individual schools in the Discovery Trust.

This parental agreement sets out important information for families regarding their child(ren) attending our before and after school clubs (wrap around care).

**Key Information**

**Admission Criteria**

* Places are provided on a strict first-come-first-service basis.
* Where required, a waiting list will be maintained by the club
* All places are subject to availability.
* The registration process must be completed prior to the child’s commencement at the club.
* School staff will not be given priority over ‘community children’, however they can take a place if it is available and continue to hold that place regardless whether there is a waiting list is formed in the future.
* Children’s attendance is recorded in a register.

**Special Educational Needs**

* We welcome participants with learning and physical needs, where possible if staff ratios allow.
* The club is fully equipped to manage a wide range of physical abilities.
* Every effort will be made to cater for those with special needs; where appropriate activities may be adapted.
* Whilst we will make every practical effort and endeavour to welcome children with additional needs, there may be some instances where the club cannot. We will work in partnership and liaise with the schools SENCO to look at the child’s individual needs.

**Withdrawing an offer of a place**

* We reserve the right to withdraw an offer of a place in the following circumstances:
* Unacceptable behaviour resulting in distress or disruption to adults or children at the provision.
* Where such circumstances occur then the DSAT exclusions policy will be referred to.

**Opening Times**

Before School Club

* The provision is open from 7.30am – 9.00am and 3.30pm – 6.00pm during term time only.
* Parents/Carers are required to bring their child directly to club and sign them in. You should enter the club via the main front door of the club unless told differently by school staff.
* Children will be escorted onto the playgrounds at 8.40am by the club staff. Very young or immature children may be taken straight into class. If it is raining, children will be taken straight into class.

Schedule

* Club open from 7.30am
* 8.00am children wishing to have breakfast wash their hands ready to enjoy a freshly prepared breakfast.
* 8.35am tidy up time encouraging the children to take responsibility for the environment.
* 8.40am children collect their coats and bags. Children are escorted to their appropriate playground
* where they meet up with the rest of the children awaiting the start of school.
* Children should not bring their own toys, games or any items of value onto the site. We are unable to accept responsibility for such items.

After School Club

* The After-School Club will provide a range of new and exciting activities/experiences during the school academic year for the children attending. This will include using lead professionals within the schools to deliver Science, ICT, Sports etc for the children.
* The club environment will be set out to provide the children with a variety of areas in which they can explore.
* Children will be collected from the afterschool clubs they are attending and taken back to Wrap Around Care.
* Parents/Carers are required to collect their child from the main front door of the club and sign the child out once the handover has been completed by the staff member.
* The provision provides a balanced snack (please note that this is not a substitute for an evening meal) drink and activities for children after school.

**Snacks**

* The Provision offers a variety of snacks, including fresh fruit and vegetables. Children have access to drinking water throughout the session.
* Any food allergies/dietary requirements etc must be informed at the time of booking.
* Children are not permitted to bring their own food to Wrap Around Care provision. However,, we will endeavour to support children with any specific dietary requirement.

**Bookings**

* Bookings must be made on the Wrap Around Care booking form available from the School Office or downloaded from the School website, these will then be passed onto the Wrap Around Care manager who will determine what spaces are available.
* A registration form must be completed in full, providing contact names, telephone numbers, children’s doctor, allergy information, and special requirements. The club must be notified immediately of any change of these details, including changes to contact numbers should we need to contact you in an emergency. Children cannot be accepted in the club without a signed registration form and contract.
* Bookings must be made termly. Parents/Carers can ask for extra sessions if required and the provision will try to accommodate depending on staff to child ratios. **Parents/Carers must call to check for spaces as we may be unable to accept children on the day.**
* **Name of Child/Children ………………………………………………………………………………………………..**
* **Sessions**

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| Monday AM | Tuesday AM | Wednesday AM | Thursday AM | Friday AM |
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| Monday PM | Tuesday PM | Wednesday PM | Thursday PM | Friday PM |
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**Absences**

* If children are absent from school or collected from school, please let Wrap Around Care know by calling or sending a text to ……………………………………………………………….
* If children are attending school but will not be attending Wrap Around Care, then it is the parents’ responsibility to advise the provision and they will still be charged for that place. .

**Payment of Fees/Notice Periods**

* The charge for each session is £6.20 AM per child and £8.20 PM. Payments can be made by Parent Pay and Childcare Vouchers. Payment will be expected whether a child attends or not for their contracted session (due to illness or holidays). A 10% discount will be given to **1** additional sibling.
* Where a child has not attended the provision for their allocated session for a period of 3 consecutive weeks.
* Where payments are not made in advance and arrears are accumulating, we reserve the right to cancel the booking with immediate effect.
* Persistent lateness collecting from the provision.
* Please inform the Wrap Around Care Manager if you no longer require your child to attend the provision. The notice period is 4 weeks.

**Cancellations & Changes**

* If your child will not be attending a session that they are registered for please inform the Wrap Around Care Manager. You will still be charged for the session that you are contracted to.
* If you would like to change the days that your child attends, a new booking form must be completed with your new requirements and 4 weeks’ notice given prior to changing. There is no guarantee that changes can be accommodated.
* All payments are non-refundable as provisions are purchased based on the number of places a child is registered for.
* Sessions will not be refunded if less than 4 weeks’ notice has been given prior to the termination of the contract.

**• We reserve the right to withdraw a place should payments not be made for sessions**

**Collecting Children/ Uncollected Children**

* Children that will use the Wrap Around Care will be collected from where that provision is based at any point up to the end of the afternoon session and will be signed in or out of the register by a parent/carer.
* You can collect your children at any time before 6.00 PM finish. You will be charged for the whole session, as booked, even if you collect your children earlier
* If you have a problem getting to the club on time to collect your child(ren), then the parent must ring the club on ………………………………… to advise of the reason for the delay and make alternative arrangements for the collection of the children.
* If you make alternative arrangements for the collection of your children you need to notify the club, giving details of the person who will be collecting on your behalf giving the staff member a password.
* If a parent arrives late, a late charge of £10.00 per child will be incurred per quarter of an hour to cover the costs of the staff who are legally required to supervise the child.
* If a parent is persistently late, the provision will consider terminating the place.
* No mobile phones will be permitted to use at Wrap Around Care, apart from the club’s mobile phone which can be used by parents to contact the club.
* The security, health and well-being of our children are our priority.

**Communication with Families**

* If you need to get in touch with a member of Wrap Around Care staff between 7.15am – 9am and 3.00pm – 6pm please call them directly on ………………………………………………..

**Behaviour Policy**

* We expect all children to have good conduct and standards of behaviour in the club as they do in school. The School’s behaviour policy applies to the wrap around clubs.

**Photographs**

* At times we may take photographs within the club. These images may be used for newsletters, to promote the club, on our website, or on the School’s social media pages. Please can you inform a staff member if you do not want photos of your child to be displayed.

**First Aid/Accidents**

* It is important to realise that at times when children are playing “playground accidents” can happen. For this reason, we have staff that are qualified in administering first aid.
* Any minor accidents will be dealt with and recorded. The parent/carer will be informed when collecting children from the provision. In case of a more serious accident, the appropriate action will be taken, and the parents will be informed immediately.
* Medication can be administered inline with the school’s ‘Medicine in School’ policy requiring parents to complete a ‘Request and Consent for the Administration of Medication in School’ from available from the school office. It is the parent’s responsibility to ensure that all medication provided to the school has not exceeded its expiry date and clearly marked with your child’s name.

**Illness**

* If children are ill during a session, the parent will be contacted. If children suffer from an infection, or infectious illness the club will ask the parents to collect the child immediately, with the understanding that children will only be accepted back at the provision when they are fit. Please note that 48hrs is the requested time for sickness/stomach bug. This action is necessary for the protection of other children from infections and illness. The provision needs to be informed if children are not attending due to illness.

**Child Protection/Safe Guarding Children**

* We take our responsibility for child protection seriously. All staff are aware of child protection issues and recognises signs of abuse, as well as procedures for referring them to our Child Protection Officer who will make the necessary referrals to the local authority. We also have a child protection policy in operation. Each provision will have a Designated Safeguarding Lead.

**Emergency Closure**

* If the Provision is closed at short notice, due to very exceptional circumstances i.e. no heating, burst water pipes etc, a full refund will be given for the day(s) the club is closed. We are unable to give refunds if the club is open and the parents make the decision not to send their children. In the rare situation of an emergency closure, the Wrap Around Care staff will contact the parents, therefore please ensure that contact numbers are up to date on the registration forms.
* In adverse weather conditions please check on the school’s website for opening information

**Data Protection**

* Any information held by the Provision will be stored in a locked cabinet.

**Equal Opportunities**

* The provision is committed to equality of opportunity for all.
* We are committed to provide the appropriate support where necessary to ensure integration.
* We recognise all children as individuals with different needs.
* Inappropriate attitudes and behaviours will be dealt with sensitively.

**Complaint Procedure**

* If you have an issue or problem with any aspect of the club, in the first instance talk to the staff on duty who will do their best to resolve the issue to your satisfaction.
* If this course of action does not resolve the issue or you feel it is not an appropriate course of action, please follow the complaint procedure as in the policies.

**Wrap Around Care Provision Parental Contract**

I have read, understand and agree to the terms and conditions found in this agreement.

**Parent/Carer Signature ……………………………………………………………………………………………**

**Wrap Around Care Manager ……………………………………………………………………………………**

**Date ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..**