

## **CHESSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL**

## Home of Bright Sparks

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**Dear Parents/Carers** 

## **Changes to our Chesswood After School Club**

We are making some changes to our After School Club which will take place from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

Firstly, we will no longer have a 4.30pm collection option. The booking slots available will be 3.15pm to 5pm or 6pm and 4.15pm to 5pm or 6pm (for those attending Chesswood Extra Curricular Clubs beforehand). Our reason for this change is so that the After School Club staff can spend more time with the children engaging in activities and less time transporting children to the entry gate. It also avoids a crossover with the collection of children from Chesswood Extra Curricular Clubs. If you need to collect children before 5pm you are of course still able to do this by ringing the After School Club gate buzzer and children will be brought out to you.

We are also needing to increase our charges as follows:

3.15pm to 5pm session - £9.00 (currently £8.00) with snack provided

3.15pm to 6pm session - £12.50 (currently £10.50)

4.15pm to 5pm session - £6.00 (currently £4.00) with snack provided

4.15pm to 6pm session - £8.00 (currently £6.00)

We have not raised our charges since we started the After School Club in 2020 and without an increase in prices the After School Club is only just breaking even and will become increasingly unviable. With the cost of living increase and soaring food prices our expenses in After School Club have risen considerably.

Numbers attending the After School Club have steadily risen and we have now placed a cap of fifty five on daily numbers to ensure we deliver a quality club for all. Please therefore ensure that you book your sessions early to avoid disappointment. We are only able to assist with last minute bookings (when the cap has been reached) for emergency reasons.

We still have a number of children who are turning up to After School Club without having been prebooked. If there is an urgent reason for a last minute booking then you **must contact** the school office or the <u>Finance Team</u> to arrange this. Any children who are not booked in will be taken to the school office and parents/carers will be contacted to arrange collection. We will charge for the After School Club session as well as an additional £5 surcharge.

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If children are not collected by 5pm then a surcharge will be added to their account to include the cost of the 6pm session. Children **must be collected by 6pm at the latest**. Any late collections after 6pm will incur a £10 surcharge which will be added to the MCAS account.

These changes will be taking effect from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June and the bookings section on MCAS is currently being revised. All bookings previously made will be guaranteed and the additional cost added to your MCAS account.

Should you have any queries please contact the Finance Team.

Best wishes

Kate Brown

School Business Manager Chesswood Junior School