

NETHERFIELD

PRIMARY SCHOOL

11 October 2024

Important - Changes to Wraparound Care

Dear Parents and Carers,

I write to inform you of changes to our Wraparound Care that takes place every day after school in the hall. As you know, this provision was originally put in place to support working parents during the covid pandemic and as a school, we always strive to support our families in the best way we possibly can. However, due to increasing and difficult financial pressures on the school budget, we have now got to a point where we have no choice but to issue a small fee of £2 per child, per Wraparound session. This is to take effect after half term.

Governors have not made this decision lightly and have thoroughly looked at charges and running costs of other local wraparound provisions. I would like to stress that the new £2 fee is still heavily subsidised. I would also like to reassure you that our other after school clubs such as football, chess club etc will remain free of charge, as will Breakfast Club.

Changes to the Booking System

Parents will need to book and pay electronically through the Arbor Parent Portal. Payment is taken at the point of booking and there will be no refunds for non-attendance / absence / not using the space. **Places for after half term can no longer be booked through the school office or email.**

Bookings can be made up to four hours prior to the club starting, however, if the club is already full then there will be no facility to book. Wraparound will be limited to a maximum number of 60 children.

Booking for the half term, 4 November to 20 December will open on Arbor on Wednesday 16 October at 5pm.

When you go in to Arbor to book a place, you will see a 'termly' option for those who perhaps want or need to bulk book, and an 'ad hoc' option which is for those who just need to use Wraparound occasionally. (Please note that if you make an ad hoc booking, the system will not allow you to then book using the termly option). Please see the link below for additional guidance.

<https://support.arbor-education.com/hc/en-us/articles/4407797520017-Signing-my-child-up-for-a-Breakfast-or-After-School-Club-on-the-Parent-Portal-or-Parent-App>

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This information has been emailed, posted on Dojo, placed on the school noticeboard next to the gates and a paper copy handed to every child. It is a parent's responsibility to keep themselves aware of changes in regard to school, and while we mainly communicate with parents and carers via email and Dojo, we have covered all possible lines of communication with regard to this.

Thank you for your continued support

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Crone', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mr J Crone
Headteacher