

Parent Information Pack

The Kiddies Kids Klub

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KIDS KLUB

SITUATED WITHIN THE KIDDIES DAY NURSERY

AN EFFECTIVE SOLUTION

Good quality out-of-school childcare provision helps:-

- to give children valuable leisure experiences, and reduce the dangers they may face without adequate care
- to give parents the chance to take up the jobs, training or educational opportunities they want
- to assist employers in the recruitment and retention of year round staff
- to assure employers that they can reliably recruit staff with school age children

WHO USES OUT-OF-SCHOOL CARE?

The age range of children using our out-of-school care is 5 to 13+ years. Some younger children continue to return from school to use our nursery facilities during the holidays and some older children enjoy the outings and trips and continue to want to take part.

WHEN DOES OUT-OF-SCHOOL CHILDCARE HAPPEN?

Every time the school gates close our Kids Klub opens. It may be for teacher training days, polling days, heating breakdowns, non-fuel deliveries? But the greatest need generally occurs:

- Before school during term time – from 8.00am until school drop-off.
- After school during term time - from school collection until 6.00pm.
- During all school holidays - six weeks during the summer holidays, Christmas closures, Easter and three one-week half terms throughout the year, with opening hours from 8.00am to 6.00pm.

WHY OUR KIDS KLUB?

Our Klub is not a babysitting service. It is an active outdoor experience. Throughout the year trips and visits are arranged throughout the County and further afield for the children to participate in and enjoy. Working parents may not have the opportunity of making these visits with their children themselves and that's where we come in.....

Trips and Visits: There is usually a programme of outings and visits to nearby places of interest, some fee paying and some being free of charge. Places visited have included Telford Ice Rink, Sealife Centre, Think Tank, Safari Park, Malvern Hills, Birmingham Airport, Telford Wonderland, Bristol Zoo, Trentham Monkey Forest, Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre, Old Trafford, Drayton Manor Park, Birmingham Hippodrome, the Wyre Forest for Go Ape, dinosaur and/or ghost hunts, local swimming baths, local cinema, 10 pin bowling, nearby parks, and many, many more.....

Activities: On the odd occasion that we don't venture out a wide range of activities is offered - art, music, drama, cooking, sport, computer work - everything from participation to quiet places for thinking, reading and homework.

Care: It's not just the under fives who need care. School aged children need care and looking after too. Our Kids Klub ensures the safety of our children by personal pick-ups and delivery to and from the school, giving peace of mind to working/busy parents.

Play: Play is the free involvement of children in a wide range of activities in which they can learn about enjoyment, adventure, sadness, happiness and life itself. Children learn a lot about themselves and the world from play. Children are able to participate in a range of stimulating activities.

Staff:child ratios are maintained on and off the premises guarding children's safety and care and offering parents peace of mind. Kids Klub staff are qualified in or working toward a qualification in playwork and all have supplementary certificates in First Aid, Health and Safety and Food Hygiene Awareness as well as training in Safeguarding/Child Protection and SEN.

WHERE IS OUR KIDS KLUB?

Our Kids Klub is based at The Kiddies Day Nursery in Kidderminster. It is situated in a separate, purpose built unit on the nursery premises. It is accessible to both children and parents from a large off-street car park at the rear of the premises, which is able to accommodate a number of vehicles safely.

If there is sufficient demand for our Kids Klub from another area i.e. Stourport we can arrange one general collection from our Stourport nursery for those children wishing to use the Kids Klub in Kidderminster.

HIGH QUALITY IS ESSENTIAL

The quality of any out-of-school playcare scheme is essential to its success. Attention to detail with regard to quality of both staff and services benefits everyone. It ensures:

- * a safe, enjoyable and stimulating environment for children
- * peace of mind for working parents
- * reliability for employers
- * and ultimately survival for the childcare scheme itself

QUALITY STANDARDS IN OUR KIDS KLUB

- * high staff:child ratios
- * all staff qualified in Playwork and hold underpinning certificates
- * wide selection of indoor/outdoor equipment
- * table top activities daily
- * computer accessibility
- * spacious indoor accommodation
- * large outdoor all weather play space available
- * small intimate groups
- * own transport, fully insured with child sized restraints and/or booster seats used
- * appropriate furniture and equipment used at all times
- * accurate records kept
- * achieved Bronze, Silver and Gold Award in *Promoting Health in Early Years Settings*.
- * Lunch box ideas can be obtained from the noticeboard at Kids Klub

KIDS KLUB SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLUB

5 years – 13 years

FULL DAYS: 8.00am – 6.00pm

SESSIONS AVAILABLE: 8.00am – 12.30pm and 1.30pm 6.00pm

BREAKFAST CLUB: 8.00am – 9.00am

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB: 3.00pm – 6.00pm

FEES PAYABLE - £2.20/hour !!!

FULL DAYS - £22.00

SESSIONS - £15.50

BREAKFAST CLUB - £2.00 + £2.50 travel

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB - £6.00 (free travel)

Spennells & Comberton school only

Late collection: £2 for the first 5 minutes, £5 for the first 15 minutes

A registration fee of £15.00 per child is required for children not previously registered with the nursery. The registration fee covers all-time membership to the Kids Klub for 5–14+ year olds enabling you to use the Klub at any time until your child reaches 17 years of age.

It is the parent's responsibility to provide healthy food and snacks throughout the day. Children will need snacks for mid-morning/mid-afternoon breaks, lunch and/or afternoon tea if required. A larder fridge is available for food storage.

ACTIVITIES

Our Kids Klub uses both a 13 seater minibus and a 7 seater people carrier which provide a safe mode of transport for trips and to local places of interest, parks, walks, farms, castles etc.

A time table of trips and activities is produced in advance of every school holiday so both children and parents can see at a glance what exciting events are on offer.

Below is a 'sample' activity week in Kids Klub during half-term:

W/C:		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
FEB ½ TERM 2012	AM	WYRE FOREST HUNT £ 1	ICE- SKATING TELFORD 1 st timers or veterans – easy peasy.....	SWIMMING CRYSTAL LEISURE £ 3.85	CHILLY KIDS STOURBRIDGE £ 5.50	<i>THEMED FANCY DRESS PARTY</i> & DVD POPCORN FOC
	PM	CREATIVITY WORKSHOP <i>'Theme cooking'</i> FOC	£ 7.50	CINEMA £ 3.80		

Our Kids Klub is also fully equipped with computers, books, tabletop games, jigsaws, tabletop football, giant connect 4, musical instruments, huge soft play shapes, role play tents and fancy dress outfits.

We also have extensive enclosed outside areas for the children to play. There is a park area with climbing equipment and swings, a Japanese garden with water feature, seating areas and different textured ground areas, an all-weather grassed area as well as a large lawn for sports play together with a large tarmac area for the giant outdoor games e.g. Jenga, Snakes & Ladders and to use the parachute etc.,

As you can see there is more than enough to occupy those children back at base who choose not to take part in the planned trip for that day.

Remember, we are open **every time a school is closed** – not only holidays but also training days, polling days and Baker days.

Your emergency is our problem!

We open on any/all school closure days