



NEWSLETTER



ECCLESALL KIDS CLUB



Autumn 2024

Welcome to our Autumn newsletter we hope our parents find this helpful in keeping up with our news and finding out what the children have been doing and will be doing at Ecclesall Kids Club throughout the year. Don't forget our website www.ecclesallkids.club/ekc/ which has everything you need to know; this can be accessed through the school homepages too.

Group 2 KS2

The Year 3s are settling in well to their new club space and enjoying the variation of resources on offer in group 2. As a whole the children have been really enjoying the outside space since returning to school in September. As the weather begins to change, we will continue to offer outside play so please ensure your child has a warm waterproof coat. Alongside outside play in group 2 we offer the children a chill out space with books and bean bags, a variety of crafts, small world, construction, board games and card games, pool table, table tennis and tec during club sessions.

EYFS/KS1

Our EYFS topic this term is 'Happy children, Happy school'. Our focus for our reception children is getting to know them and making sure they are settled well into our setting. We welcome back our new year 1s & 2s, focusing on our wellbeing, what's important to us and how we are feeling. We are very eager to get the children's ideas for what they want to do for the year and base some of our activities on their interests. If your child has a newfound interest, let us know and we will incorporate it into our planning.



October Holiday Club

Holiday Club will be running from 28th – 31st October please check out the website for the full program sheet which includes some exciting new activities/trips and some very exciting Halloween entertainment including Pirate Bouncy Castle, Halloween disco, Slime and monster masks and a trip to the top jump inflatable park.



Staff Changes & New Recruits

New Starters: We welcome to the playworker team Milly Matkin, Eliza Livingstone, Charlotte Jolley and Nhean Wheeler who all have skills/experience with working with children they are all settling in well and enjoying working in the setting. Please see staff profiles at the entrance to kid's club. Our EYFS team now consists of Tammy Mason, Jack Midwood, Abi Goodison & Toni Buss. Staff new to the group 1 team this year are Sam Willatt, Georgia Tate and Milly Matkin.



New EKC Company Website

We will be very soon having a revamp to our company website which will still include all the important information about the club and more and we hope that you find it easier to navigate and use. Magic booking will still be located on the website along with the booking policy/ how to book/ cancel.



Annual AGM 25/11/2024 Looking For New Committee Members

The Ecclesall Kids Club Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place on Monday 25th November 2024 at 7:00pm in Ecclesall Primary school, accessed via the Kids Club entrance. This is our second AGM as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). Please come along and find out more about us from the parent Trustees who govern and drive the strategic direction of your wrap around service, ensuring continuity of childcare for over 20 years since we were formed. We are a friendly bunch of parents and staff who work together to provide the best quality service we can for your children. We have recently had a few new recruits, but we desperately need more new Trustees to enable us to continue to offer our wrap around service. If you are interested at finding out more, please email ecclesallkids@gmail.com and the full details will be provided

No Shows and Cancellations

Please cancel sessions you don't need on Magic Booking it helps create ad hoc sessions for everyone who might need them. If you need to cancel within 24 hours of the session commencing, please leave a message on our voicemail on 2681116 you can do this 24/7, rather than emailing and then we will know your child's whereabouts, so we don't think they are missing.

Our booking policy states that parents must cancel sessions, so bookings become available for other users that need the session. It will be much appreciated by us and by other parents. Please note that if sessions aren't regularly cancelled the Club reserves the right to add a 'no-show' charge of £15.00 per session and cancel future sessions.



Change to Child Medication Policy

We require that parents/ carers have filled out the required medical forms and provided us with the required medication for their child/children before they can start and before we can accept them in the club. This will also be the case for any changes to any child/children's medication throughout the year and for any children whose medical needs change throughout the year. It's important that you update us with any changes and complete an 'Administration of Medical Records' and 'Medical Form and give us the medication needed. Medical forms can be returned by hand to the Club, or by post addressed to Denise Bluff to Ecclesall Kids Club - Ecclesall Primary School, High Storrs Rd, Sheffield S11 7LG, or alternatively place it in an envelope addressed to Denise Bluff, Ecclesall Kids Club and hand it in to the school office.

Please ensure that your child is escorted to the kid's club entrance for breakfast club, children are walking from the Huntley gate entrance alone and the top of car park. It's for the child's own safety



Holiday Club Dates 2025/ Change to Summer Holiday club weeks

Please see below the 2025 holiday club dates this year – We will be opening our bookings for holiday clubs earlier each time again and a communication will be sent to you making you aware when you are able to book. The play plans will be added to the company website in advance. Please note that this year we will be running summer holiday club for 4 weeks at the later end of the summer holidays rather than at the beginning.

October 2024 – 28th – 31st October 2024

February Half Term – 17th – 21st February 2025

Easter Holidays – 7th -11th April 2025

May Half Term – 27th – 30th May 2025

Summer Holidays – WC 4th Aug / WC 11th Aug/ WC 18th / WC 25th August 2025