Buckshaw Primary School



Arrivals & Departures Guidance September 2022

At Buckshaw we aim to prepare our children for their future by raising aspirations and developing resilience within a happy, safe and caring environment Beyond Buckshaw recognises that the safe arrival and departure of the children in our care is paramount.

The Session Leader will ensure that an accurate record is kept of all children in the Club, and that any arrivals or departures are recorded in the register. The register will be kept in an accessible location on the premises at all times. This process will be supplemented by regular head counts during the session.

Escorting children to the Club

- The Club and school have a clear agreement concerning the transfer of responsibility for children's safety.
- The school and the Club keep an identical register of children who require escorting between locations which is updated daily.
- Children in Key Stage two are permitted to make their own way to Kids Club.
- If a child is booked into the Club but is not at the collection point in Keys Stage 2, staff will check to see if the child was present at school that day. If the whereabouts of the child is not known, staff will immediately inform the designated contact at the school and the child's parents or carers.

Arrivals

Our staff will greet each child warmly on their arrival at the Club and will record the child's attendance in the daily register straightaway.

Departures

- Staff will ensure that parents or carers sign children out before they leave, including the time of collection
- Children can only be collected by an adult who has been authorised to collect them on their registration form.
- The child's parents or carers must inform the Club in advance if someone who is not listed on the registration form is to collect the child. This must be in writing wherever reasonably practical. A form is also available to fill in to inform staff of any other adult collecting their child. The manager will contact the main parent or carer for confirmation if they have any concerns regarding departures.
- The parent or carer must notify the Club if they will be late collecting their child. If the Club is not informed, the **Uncollected Children** policy will be followed.

Absences

- If a child is going to be absent from a session, parents should notify the Club in advance.
- If a child is absent without explanation, staff will contact the parents or carers and the school to check where the child should be. If there is no explanation for the absence the Club will activate the **Missing Child** procedure.
- The Club will try to discover the causes of prolonged and unexplained absences. Regular absences could indicate that a child or family is having some difficulties and might need additional support.

A Mensforth, Beyond Buckshaw Manager September 2022