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# Lyme Community Primary School

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## **Wrap Around Care**

We are proud to be able to offer a high standard of quality 'wrap around care' at Lyme so that children can, if parents wish, be cared for in the school for extended hours in Nursery and at the beginning and end of the school day.



### Our aims are to provide:

- a safe, secure and happy environment for every child
- a stimulating and well-organised environment, where the children can carry out a selection of activities, both with adult support and independently
- an environment to enable parents /carers to feel confident in the knowledge that their children are receiving good quality care
- an opportunity to extend the caring ethos of Lyme Community Primary School and provide further opportunities to enhance children's learning and personal development.

### Nursery - Educare

For those parents who require a fulltime Nursery place for their child we operate the EDUCARE initiative. This means that we offer a limited number of spaces for children who have a morning place at Nursery so they can stay for the whole day i.e. 8.45am -3.15pm. They bring a packed lunch and are cared for by qualified staff at lunchtime. Children can stay for anything between 1 to 5 days a week, but we do ask that they stay the same days each week, as we must arrange staffing and children must be officially registered. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

It's always a good idea, if we have spaces later in the year in the summer term, to increase your child's attendance in Nursery as good preparation for them going full time in Reception class.

Educare costs £12 per day. We now offer 5 days for the price of 4 so if you book 5 days full time it is £48 for the week, which compares very favourably with private Nursery care.

We are also offering, for the first time this year, the opportunity to add on 1¼ hours to the morning so you could pick your child up at 1pm. Your child would need a packed lunch for this arrangement and it would cost £4.

Please note fees must be paid at the beginning of the week and should be sent in an envelope with your child's name on it. Parents must sign a contract which states, 'Once arrangements have been made for an Educare place, payments must be made even if your child is absent as we have made a commitment to staffing.

If Nursery is closed then no fees are payable. If you are the equivalent of two weeks in arrears with your payment, then you will be asked to make alternative arrangements for childcare.

If you are interested in Educare for your child, please contact Mrs. Gill Ashton in Foundation Stage.

### **Breakfast and After School Club**

We also operate a 'Breakfast Club' Monday to Friday from 8.00am to 8.50am each morning in the KS1 area. The charge is £4 a day. This provides a safe and enjoyable start to the day and includes a choice of breakfast food, such as toast, cereal and fruit. The Breakfast Club is fully supervised by school staff and includes activities and games for the children.

Our After-School Club is available Monday to Friday from 3.15pm to 5.30pm for a cost of £6 a day. The children are given a drink and snack and have the opportunity to do a wide variety of activities.

We can sometimes accommodate children at short notice for occasional sessions. Please ask Gill Ashton (F.S.) about the availability of places in Breakfast or After School Club.

### Keeping up to date with payments

For all 'Wrap Around Care', Parents or Carers must sign a contract which states that 'payments must be kept up to date. The school has the right to withdraw or suspend the place if arrears rise to the equivalent of two weeks placement.'

If arrears arise the parent is spoken to informally in the first instance by the staff. Then letters are sent by school. There is a follow up letter if the debts aren't cleared or attempts to clear these debts aren't made. The second letter states, 'Until the debt is cleared I am forced to instruct you to make alternative arrangements for your child's supervision.'

I hope you find this information useful, however, should you have any further questions please feel free to contact me, Mrs Lammond, Mrs Marshall or Gill.

Yours faithfully,

Marie Cribb

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