

Superkids Newsletter

Autumn term 2017

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to another fun year! From everyone at Superkids, we hope you had a restful summer and managed to enjoy some time to yourselves. We have been very busy with summer Playscheme without forgetting our new soon to be "Super-kid" joining us. I ask all parents to read this newsletter for our normal club information and for some important announcements regarding ad-hoc children and some staff changes.



School clubs

Will your child be going to an after school activity? Will you need us to collect them? If so, please let us know so we are not running Around the school trying to locate your child, otherwise you will get that dreaded call.

Thanking you kindly!



Superkids availability

As some of you may be aware, we are at our maximum numbers on some days which means we currently cannot take ad-hoc / one off booking on some days:

Please e-mail Jo at:
superkids@btconnect.com

We also have a waiting list on our fully booked days

Polite notice for breakfast club parents

Although I like to keep a warm and welcoming start to everyone's morning, I noticed last year some of the parents trying to leave before 7:30am. The team and I start at 7:15am to set up the hall, update any information and do other day-to-day paperwork matters. I do not like to leave families outside in the rain or cold weather and therefore allow you into the hall before 7.30am.

During my years in childcare, I have never liked treating a childcare setting like a retail shop i.e. Open the doors dead on 7:30am only. By allowing you inside before 7.30am, you are able to stay dry, sign your child in, play a game with your child and say goodbye before departure. So please wait with your child until 7:30am, as the clock on the hall wall is the correct time and we go by this time. We have added a table clock too!



Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

Mobile Phone Reminder

The team and I have been informing many parents about mobiles being visible and asking them to put their mobiles away. I do fully appreciate that this is the 21st century and mobile phones are a way of life; however, it is an Ofsted requirement that mobile phones are away from children whilst at any childcare



**No
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phones**

setting. This is to safeguard you, your child and other children in our care. The only phone you will see us using in the club is our registered work phones. The team keep their personal phones inside their lockers whilst at work. If you wish to have a copy of our policy regarding mobile and camera devices, please email Jo.

Quick summary:

- **Mobile phones must be left in your pocket or bag.**
- Mobile phones cannot be in your hand (even if it has a cover).
- This is an Ofsted requirement and will affect our rating.

I would like to thank you for your support in this matter

Cooking

The children have enjoyed making a mess creating different types of food, so we will continue to have a cooking activity every fortnight. Due to our numbers, and time restrictions, we may split children into key groups and only prepare food on site and will give children instructions on how to cook or finish off the recipe at home.



Our team is changing

As of Tuesday 5th September, I will be temporarily stepping down as manager of St. Marys and I will return in January / February 2018. I will be undertaking some administrative projects for Superkids. You will still see me around and there may be days where I am needed to cover for absence. In my absence, Leanna will lead as manager. Leanna has worked for Superkids for many years and has managed our Catford club with great success.

While on staffing, our new team member Mal will be covering my breakfast club hours before going back to university around the 25th September. She has been a great help to Superkids over our Summer holidays.

Jodie will commence Maternity leave in October. To replace her, we will have Shanice who will be joining us from October.

We are currently looking for a new member of the team and we will keep you posted on who this will be.

Who's who?

Leanna – Club Manager
Christine – Deputy Manager
Jodie – Playworker
Miranda – Playworker
Mal – Assistant Playworker
Jo – Director/Registered

October half-term

Our booking forms for October half-term will be available and emailed to you on Friday 22nd September.

