



**Featherstone Academy** 

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## Dear parents/carers,

I am writing to inform you that we will no longer be using Jigsaws as a breakfast and after school club provider. We are extremely grateful to the Jigsaws team for being able to offer this provision for such a long period of time. The reason for this change is that we are able to offer a before school and after school provision internally, without using an externally provider; this brings with it many benefits. We are able to bring costs down, have access to all school resources, use staff the children already have relationships with and ensure the provision is in line with our high expectations as we can monitor it and control it more closely and proactively. All bookings made with Jigsaws will not transfer over to us automatically therefore please remake this arrangements with us. All bookings now need to go through the office at information@featherstone.uwmat.co.uk or 01902734167. Bookings will be first come first served. All payments will be uploaded onto MCAS where all other school payments come through. You are able to book daily, weekly, half termly, termly or for the year for the days which the club is needed for you. My suggestion would be to secure your place for the long term if this is what is needed. Payment will be consistently uploaded on a Monday, paying for the previous week.

## **Breakfast Club**

Mrs Harvey, Miss Hagan and Mrs Griffiths will be the adults involved. This club will start at 8:00am and drop off arrangements will be confirmed to you very soon.

## **After School Club**

Mrs Nicholls, Mrs Evans, Mrs Mcmillan will be the adults involved. This club will start straight after school. Collection will be from the main school office up until 5:15pm. The charge for this is £8 for collection up to that time or £4 for collection up to 4:15pm. **This is available for children from nursery through to year 6.** 

I do understand that for a handful of parents, the new timings will not necessarily suit, I am very sorry for this but had to balance the benefits and feel these outweigh the need for a timing change.

We are in the process of creating a handbook with further information, but I wanted the key information out as soon we had it organised to allow parents time to make necessary arrangements and contact us to book in.

I know that this new arrangement will be beneficial to the children and also hope the reduction in costs support our community at a time when cost of living is increasing so dramatically. Any feedback is welcome at agatrad@featherstone.uwmat.co.uk

Kind regards

Adam Gatrad