



St George's Catholic Voluntary Academy

Breakfast Club Policy

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Rationale

The breakfast club is organised by St George's Catholic Voluntary Academy. It is an extended school activity designed to allow children to be in school from 7:30am onwards to have the opportunity to have a choice of food and drink for a healthy start to the day, and to join in activities on offer. They are also encouraged to be independent at these times and to make decisions for themselves through the choice of food and drink and to participate in informal activities with each other developing social and interactive skills.

Objectives

- To provide a welcoming, safe, secure environment for pupils before the beginning of the school day.
- To enable pupils to eat breakfast before the start of the school day in a pleasant, relaxed environment.
- To provide a calm play environment for those pupils.
- To provide an affordable service for working parents.

Organisation

The breakfast club is open to all pupils attending St George's. It is open from 7:30am, but children should arrive no later than 8:15am, but please note that breakfast will not be served after 8.10am, to enable staff to clear food and clean before the start of the school day. The child's details, medical conditions, the parent's contact number are kept in the School Office. It is the responsibility of the parents to ensure that the office is informed of contact changes.

Use of registers

The breakfast club registers, which are generated by the school office, are completed at the start of every session. Children are then checked off again as they are collected. In case of an emergency where children have to be evacuated from the building, the register must be taken and the children checked against the register to ensure they are present.

Staffing and supervision

The children are adequately supervised at all times. We have a cap of 45 pupils for breakfast club with 3 staff on duty. All members of staff are DBS checked. At least one member of staff on duty holds a current first aid certificate.

A register is taken of all children attending. It is the responsibility of the parent to ensure that the children are handed over safely to the staff.

All children must be booked into the club at least 24 hours before the start of the session (via Arbor) which they are to attend. Responsibility for the children is only taken if the children are correctly booked in and handed over to the staff by a parent or carer.

Food and Activities

Children will be offered a range of food for breakfast. Following breakfast a number of activities will be on offer for the children to participate in. These will include construction activities, games, toys and drawing. All resources necessary for the club will be purchased through the school budget designated for such purchases.

Behaviour Policy

Our Behaviour Policy will be broadly in line with the Schools Behaviour Policy. Our behaviour policy will be based on a whole school approach to positive reinforcement and modelling of good behaviour. Children are expected to show a good standard of courtesy and behaviour at all times. If there are concerns with behaviour then parents will be contacted. Ultimately exclusion from breakfast club will be the final sanction from such provision when all possible strategies have failed.

Pricing policy

The breakfast club daily fee is £3.00. Booking is through Arbor

This fee is to cover the cost of:

- Staffing
- Food
- Equipment and day to day running of costs

It may be necessary to change fees from time to time; however parents/carers will always be given at least one week's notice of this.

Refunds are not given in the case of absence.

Fire Procedure

Children should exit the hall and assemble on the field. All registers should be taken and the children checked.

First Aid

If first aid is administered, the treatment given is recorded on an incident slip. A note and/or telephone call will be made to inform parents of what treatment the child has received.

Medication

All children keep their own inhaler.

Risk Assessment

A risk assessment has been carried out for the breakfast club.

This policy will be reviewed by the governing body as and when it is deemed necessary with changing circumstances and the extended numbers to the school.

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