



## 'PEARDROPS' BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL CLUB AGREEMENT AND RULES

### GENERAL INFORMATION

'Peardrops' provides a before and after school activity in a safe, happy environment situated in a dedicated facility, 'The Cabin', and is supervised by professional, experienced staff. 'Peardrops' is open during term time only, Monday to Friday from 7.30am to 8.30am for Breakfast Club and from 3.00pm to 6.00pm for After School Club.

#### **Please Note:**

**After School Club does not run on the last day of each term.**

**From Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026, After School Club will only run until 5pm on Fridays.**

Children attending 'Peardrops' will be supervised at all times. Please note that the School accepts no responsibility for children on school premises outside of the normal school day that are not attending the 'Peardrops' club.

'Peardrops' is a self-financing club. No financial support is received from the school and all running costs must be met from fee income. It is not intended to be profit making and any surplus made after costs will be reinvested back into the club for the benefit of the children.

Children eligible to join the club must be existing pupils at the school. The club is not open to siblings who may be attending another local school and/or Pre-School.

The Club is set up to: (i) encourage children to eat a nutritious breakfast, which is part of the 'Every Child Matters' agenda and the Healthy Schools initiative; and (ii) provide high quality after school childcare in a relaxed and safe environment.

### OBJECTIVES:

- To enable pupils to eat a healthy breakfast before the start of the school day in a pleasant, relaxed environment which can have a positive impact on learning.
- To provide high quality childcare in a welcoming, safe secure environment for pupils at both the start and end of the school day
- To develop children's emotional literacy and social skills
- To promote and encourage home learning alongside fun, play based activities
- To provide a subsidised service to our Pupil Premium "FSM" children
- To provide an affordable service for working parents
- To employ caring supervisory staff

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## BREAKFAST CLUB ARRIVAL ARRANGEMENTS

Parents should bring their children to The Cabin via the entrance on the Key Stage 2 Playground. You are required to sign in your child and once the session begins, a register of attendance will be taken. The children must stay in the Club until 8.30am when they will be escorted to the KS2 door where a member of staff will be on duty to welcome them into school.

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUB COLLECTION ARRANGEMENTS

Parents must collect their child from The Cabin via the entrance on the Key Stage 2 Playground. A register of attendance will be taken at the start of the session, and parents will be required to sign out their child upon collection at the end of their session. The Club closes at 6.00pm and all children must be collected by this time. Children will only be released to an authorised adult contact listed on your child's registration form. In the event that any other adult will collect your child, you must contact 'Peardrops' as soon as possible to inform them. Please note, any adult collecting your child that is not listed as authorised on their registration form will be requested to provide staff with the password you will have noted for your child on registration. No child will be released to an unauthorised adult that cannot provide this password information.

In the event that your child is not collected from After School Club, staff will follow the procedure set out in the 'Peardrops' Uncollected Child Policy which can be found on the school website.

## STAFFING AND SUPERVISION

The children are adequately supervised at all times and the ratio of staff to children will not exceed 1:15 (a ratio of 1:10 is our preference). 'Peardrops' staff are also staff members of Parley First School and have an enhanced DBS check.

It is the responsibility of the parent to ensure that the child enters and leaves the school premises safely and is signed in and out of the club at the start and end of the extended school day. Staff members will take a register of all children attending.

## SAFEGUARDING

**Fire Procedure** - Children should exit The Cabin and assemble on the back field in accordance with Parley First School Fire Safety Policy. All registers should be taken and the children checked.

**Risk Assessment** – A risk assessment has been carried out for the 'Peardrops' club.

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'Peardrops' operates under the same procedures as Parley First School with regard to safeguarding. A copy of the school's Child Protection policy can be found on the school website.

## STRUCTURE AND BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS

The cost of Breakfast Club will be £3.75 per session, and the cost of After School Club will be £10.00 if attending to 5.00pm and £15.00 if attending until 6.00pm (£5 per hour). Children from Pupil Premium families currently registered for Free Schools Meals ("FSM") are entitled to a reduced rate of £1.50 per session for Breakfast Club. After School Club attendance will also be subsidised for FSM families to £5.00 if attending to 5.00pm and £7.50 if attending until 6.00pm.

Booking dates are released half termly on ParentMail and will open approximately 2 weeks before the end of the current half term. Spaces are allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Attendance Fees are payable at the time of booking. All bookings must be made via our 'Parentmail' app. To book, go to the 'Accounts' section of the app and select the appropriate sessions.

## PAYMENT METHODS

**ParentMail** – Parents paying via ParentMail must pay for the sessions at the time of booking. The system will not let you complete the booking without making payment. Paying through ParentMail is the default payment method, unless you have made prior arrangement to pay via either of the options below.

**Childcare Voucher Payments** – Parents paying via Childcare Vouchers will need to notify the office prior to making any bookings as you will need to be set to the £0.00 price band first, to allow you to book sessions in ParentMail and then make payment to your voucher scheme. Payment must be made immediately after booking. The school will allow a 7-day grace period for payments to clear via the elected childcare provider. Confirmation of payment should be emailed to the School Office: [office@parley.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:office@parley.dorset.sch.uk)

**Free School Meal (FSM) Families** – Pupil Premium parents of children who are eligible to receive Free School Meals will need to notify the office prior to making any bookings, as you will need to be set to the £0.00 price band. After making your booking, please email the School Office so that you can be invoiced accordingly via ParentMail. You will be alerted via the ParentMail app upon creation of an invoice, and you can locate details of any outstanding fees by going to 'Payments' followed by 'Outstanding Items'.

**\*Childcare Vouchers and FSM families ONLY-** Due to an error on the ParentMail system, for After School Club, please only select the 3-5pm sessions and advise the School Office via email if you require any dates to be extended to 3-6pm. Booking 3-6pm on the system will result in you being incorrectly charged.

## LATE PAYMENT

Any bookings not paid for after the 7-day grace period will incur a £5 fee which will be invoiced to you on ParentMail.

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Continued late payment will result in your child being removed from the next half terms booking register.

## LATE BOOKINGS

Bookings can be amended or cancelled by parents directly on the ParentMail App up to 7 days prior to the required date. Please Note: We are not able to issue a refund for cancellations made outside of this time frame.

MANUAL BOOKINGS: Late bookings required within 7 days should be emailed to the School Office. Parents will then be invoiced for payment via ParentMail.

WAITING LIST: The Breakfast Club and After School Club facilities each have 32 spaces per day and are in high demand. If you are unable to secure a booking for a particular date, please email the school office to be added to the waiting list. Parents will then be contacted should any spaces become available.

If a space is offered to you and you no longer require it, please advise the School Office so that the space can be allocated to the next child on the Waiting List.

## REFRESHMENTS

'Peardrops' Breakfast Club will provide a selection of refreshments for the children including toast, fruit, yogurts, as well as an option of porridge and/or Beans on Toast during the winter months. A healthy snack will also be provided to any child attending 'Peardrops' After School Club. Water and milk will be available to drink at both sessions.

The school will ensure that all refreshments comply with "The Requirements for School Food Regulations 2014" (effective 1st January 2015). In addition, there will always be a member of staff on duty at the club that holds a current Food Hygiene certificate (Level 2). The club will also comply with environmental health food safety standards.

It is the parents responsibly to report any food allergies or special dietary requirements on the Registration Form when joining 'Peardrops' and to ensure that this information is updated should circumstances change.

## POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

Children are expected to show a good standard of courtesy and behaviour at all times. The 'Peardrops' club is part of Parley First School and as such, children are expected to follow the same guidelines as documented in the Relational Policy and Anti Bullying Policy which can be found on the school website.

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Any behavioural problems will be brought to the parents' attention by the supervisor. If the problem persists or is serious, then the problem may be referred to the Headteacher and if it cannot be resolved the child may, at the discretion of the governing body be asked to leave the 'Peardrops' club.

## SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

If your child has special educational needs and you apply for a place for them at 'Peardrops', you may be invited to an informal meeting with the Headteacher. This meeting will discuss how the club can support your child's needs.

## SICKNESSES, ACCIDENTS, FIRST AID & EMERGENCIES

If a child becomes ill during a club session, every attempt will be made to contact one of the people listed on the Registration Form, to arrange collection of the sick child. The child will be cared for until collected.

In case of a minor accident, basic First Aid will be administered. In case of an accident requiring more than basic First Aid, every attempt will be made to contact the parent/legal guardian to advise or discuss with him/her the course of action to be taken. All accidents and emergencies will be entered on Medical Tracker.

'Peardrops' operates under the same procedures as Parley First School with regard to First Aid, Sickness and Accident Reporting. There will always be a member of staff on duty at the club that is First Aid qualified.

## **PLEASE NOTE:**

The Club Registration Form contains an AUTHORISATION giving permission to transport your child to an A&E department if the parent/carer cannot be contacted in time. This action will be taken to gain appropriate medical treatment for the child. If you do not wish to give such authorisation, please indicate this on the registration form.

PARLEY FIRST SCHOOL 'PEAR DROPS' CLUB CANNOT ACCEPT ANY CHILD TO ATTEND A CLUB SESSION UNLESS A COMPLETED SIGNED REGISTRATION FORM IS SUBMITTED BY THE PARENT/CARER TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

This agreement will be reviewed by the governing body every year.

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