



## **Wrap Around Care Spring Term 1 Newsletter 2016**

### **Message from Croft Village Pre-school Partnership.**

Welcome to the Spring term 2016, after what we are sure was a busy and exciting Christmas and New Year.

### **Staffing**

There have been a number of staff changes. We are pleased that Rachel Ferguson is now Manager of Croft Village Pre-school and wrap-around care, after doing a great job as Acting Manager for the past 6 months. We have had some lovely comments about this appointment from staff, parents, carers and outside agencies. We wish Rachel well as she and staff work hard to further develop the quality of the setting.

We have also appointed Jacqueline Broome who is working in breakfast club and our after school club at Croft Primary School. Jakki lives locally and is qualified at level three in childcare. We are thrilled to have her as part of our team and we are sure, in fact we have already seen, the positive impact she is making to what is delivered in the setting.

### **Parking at Croft Memorial Hall**

At the Memorial Hall meeting on 05 January 2016, the Hall Committee requested that we share the following with our Parents and Carers:

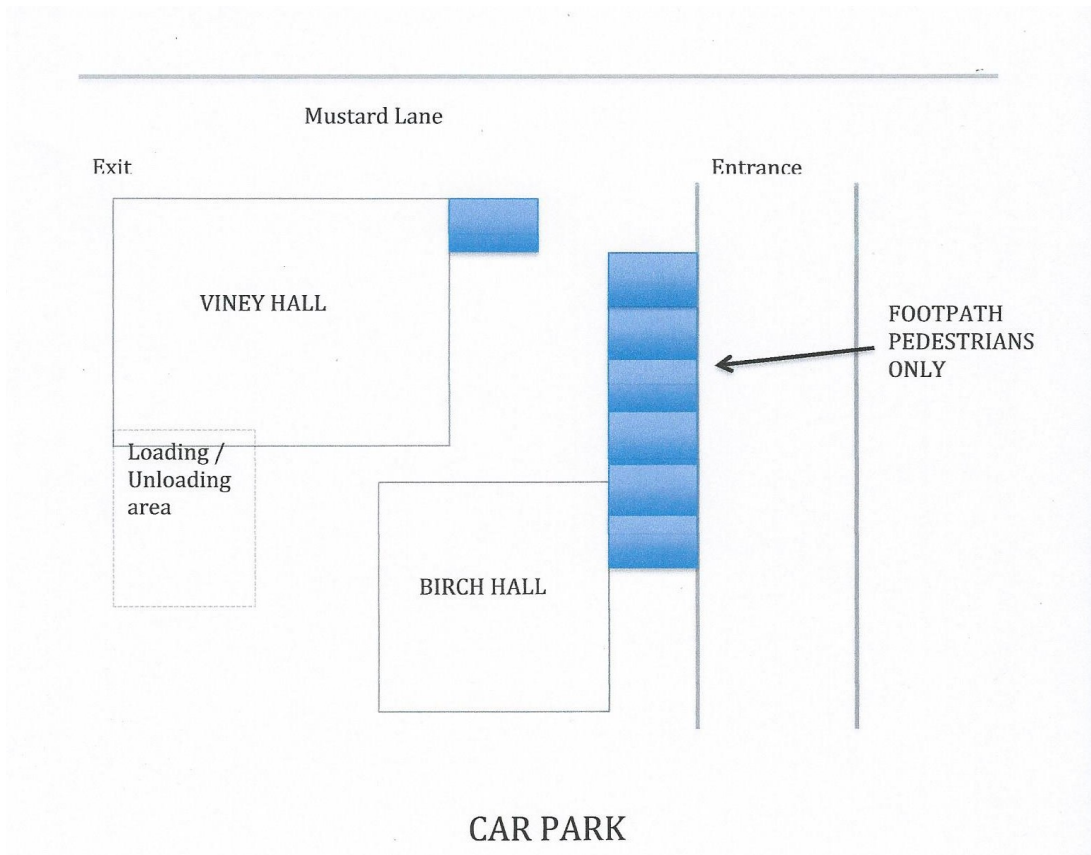
#### **VEHICLE PARKING – CROFT MEMORIAL HALL**

The Committee requests that users and visitors to the hall kindly refrain from parking on the footpath which runs parallel to the entrance driveway (see below).

The parking of vehicles on this path is causing damage and sinking which is not only very expensive to repair but creates a hazard for pedestrians.

For loading/unloading of vehicles please use the designated area towards the rear of the building as shown below.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.



### **Booking/amending Sessions**

In order to streamline the process of booking/amending sessions at the breakfast clubs/after school club can we ask parents to contact Rachel Ferguson either via phone, text or email on the preschool number **07961 840382**, e-mail [Croftvillagepreschool1@gmail.com](mailto:Croftvillagepreschool1@gmail.com). Ad-hoc sessions will be invoiced by Rachel.

### **Invoices/Payments**

Invoices have been sent out by email for the Spring Term 2016. The invoice is divided into 3 equal monthly payments Jan/Feb and Mar. Any queries/concerns please ring Brian on 07855764926.

### **Advance Notice**

For the summer term 2016 to ensure that all payment are in by the end of the school year – invoices will be divided into three equal monthly payments, not four.

### **Wrap around Care**

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This half term we will be looking at healthy eating and the effect of exercise on our bodies. Together with the children we have changed our menu and incorporated a richer variety of foods requested by children.

### **Monday 25- Friday 29 January – British Values**

During the above week we will be exploring our British Values within wrap around care and finding out about our Royal Family. There will be a variety of craft and dressing-up activities for children who choose to explore this.. If children have any items supporting this theme (if you have visited any of the royal palaces, any books about the royal family etc) it would be lovely to see these.

### **King's & Queen's Fun Day – Friday 29 January**

We will be supporting the Crackerjacks Children's Trust on this day by holding a fundraising day (£1 per child) by dressing up in costumes and making crowns/tiaras.

### **Chinese New Year – Monday 8 February - The Year of the Monkey**

We will be celebrating Chinese New Year with a tasting of Chinese food, Chinese stories and craft activities.

### **Dates for diary**

**Half term holidays** – Friday 12 February – Friday 19 February –  
back to preschool Monday 22 February.

### **After School Club**

### **A Reminder of our Behaviour Management Policy**

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Our After School Club uses effective behaviour management strategies to promote the welfare and enjoyment of children attending the Club. Working in partnership with parents, we aim to manage behaviour using clear, consistent and positive strategies. The Club rules are clearly displayed at every session, and are discussed regularly.

The Club’s designated member of staff responsible for behaviour management is Rachel Ferguson.

Whilst at After School Club we expect children to:

- Use socially acceptable behaviour
- Comply with the Club rules, which are compiled by the children attending the club
- Respect one another, accepting differences of race, gender, ability, age and religion
- Develop their independence by maintaining self-discipline
- Choose and participate in a variety of activities
- Ask for help if needed
- Enjoy their time at the Club

Encouraging positive behaviour

At After School Club positive behaviour is encouraged by:

- Staff acting as positive role models
- Praising appropriate behaviour
- Sticker rewards
- Informing parents about individual achievements
- Certificates for exceptional accomplishments
- Offering a variety of play opportunities to meet the needs of the children attending the Club

It is inevitable that as children develop and learn, there are times when they need support and guidance to understand that their behaviour is not acceptable. Staff at the Club will try to determine the cause or triggers of the inappropriate behaviour to prevent the situation from recurring.

Dealing with inappropriate behaviour

- Challenging behaviour will be addressed in a calm, firm and positive manner.
- In the first instance, the child will be temporarily removed from the activity.
- Staff will discuss why the behaviour displayed is deemed inappropriate.
- Staff will give the child an opportunity to explain their behaviour, to help prevent a recurrence.
- Staff will encourage and facilitate mediation between children to try to resolve conflicts through discussion and negotiation.
- If the inappropriate behaviour appears to be as a result of boredom, staff will consult with the child to find activities that more fully engage them.



Staff will consult with parents to formulate clear strategies for dealing with persistent inappropriate behaviour.

We will not threaten any punishment that could adversely affect a child’s well-being (eg withdrawal of food or drink).

If after consultation with parents and the implementation of behaviour management strategies, a child continues to display inappropriate behaviour, the Club may decide to exclude the child in accordance with our Suspensions and Exclusions policy. The reasons and processes involved will be clearly explained to the child.

#### Physical intervention

Physical intervention will only be used as a last resort, when staff believe that action is necessary to prevent injury to the child or others, or to prevent significant damage to equipment or property. If a member of staff has to physically restrain a child, the manager will be notified and an Incident record will be completed. The incident will be discussed with the parent or carer as soon as possible.

If staff are not confident about their ability to contain a situation, they should call the manager or, in extreme cases, the police.

All serious incidents will be recorded on an Incident record and kept in the child’s file. This may be used to build a pattern of behaviour, which may indicate an underlying cause. If a pattern of incidents indicates possible abuse, we will implement child protection procedures in accordance with our Safeguarding policy.

#### Corporal punishment

Corporal punishment or the threat of corporal punishment will *never* be used at the Club.

We will take all reasonable steps to ensure that no child who attends our Club receives corporal punishment from any person who cares for or is in regular contact with the child, or from any other person on our premises.