# Monkfield Park Care and Learning Centre

# **Current Terms and Conditions (Effective from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017)**

In order to provide the best possible childcare at Monkfield Park Care and Learning Centre (C&LC), it is necessary to impose certain operating standards. The C&LC has endeavoured to keep the following to an absolute minimum ensuring that they are fair to both parent/carer and the provider.

# Attendance at the C&LC denotes acceptance of the current Terms and Conditions.

### Hours

Monkfield Park Care and Learning Centre is open from 8.00 am to 6.00 pm, Monday to Friday, fifty weeks a year. It closes between Christmas and New Year plus Bank Holidays, and on Training Days in line with Monkfield Park Primary School.

# **Registration Fee**

Once a place is confirmed, a £30.00 registration fee is payable upon acceptance. If you are applying for a Nursery Education Funded place only, no registration fee is payable.

# Early Years Education Funded Sessions (15 hours)

These sessions are determined and agreed by the parental contract signed each term. Preschool aged children are entitled to a maximum of 15 funded hours per week; any additional hours indicated on the parental contract will be chargeable in line with our fee paying terms and conditions.

# Early Years Education Funded Sessions (30 hours)

These sessions are based upon eligibility and withdrawn following the expiry of the grace period if a parent/carer no longer meets the eligibility criteria as indicated to them by the Local Authority.

### Fees

Fees are payable monthly by cash, cheque or childcare voucher and should be paid by the date shown on the invoice. In order to keep accounts up to date. Fees are reviewed annually and at least one month's notice will be given of any changes.

# Late Charge

There will be a late pick up charge of £10.00 per child per 15 minutes after the booked session has ended (see Procedure to be followed in the event of a parent/carer failing to collect a child).

# Late Payment of Invoices

If fees are not paid by the specified date on the invoice, a late payment charge of £20.00 per invoice will be incurred. If no payment is received a debt collection process will commence.

# **Discretionary Circumstances**

If a situation arises whereby you are facing financial hardship please contact the Manager before your payment due date as per your invoice.

### Attendance

A child's term time place is for a minimum of three months, with an additional month's notice. Minimum part-time attendance is two sessions, and the minimum chargeable unit is one hour.

### Absence

In order to retain a place, full fees are payable for any absences during term time from paid pre-school sessions, Breakfast and After School Club sessions and any booked Holiday Club sessions. If a child is excluded from the school or the Care & Learning Centre fees will be refunded.

### Cancellation

One month's written notice is required to cancel a term-time place, during which time full fees are payable.

# **Emergency Closure**

Occasionally it may be necessary to close the Care and Learning Centre due to circumstances beyond our control. Fees will be payable on these days.

### **Industrial Action**

If Monkfield Park Primary School or any of the classes are closed due to industrial action by teachers, the Care and Learning Centre will remain open for children to attend their booked sessions and therefore fees for these sessions will be payable.

If the Care and Learning Centre closes due to staff industrial action then any fees payable for booked sessions which have been missed will be credited.

### Withdrawal

The Centre reserves the right to withdraw a child's place, following discussion with parents/carers and in line with Monkfield Park's policies and procedures.

# **Collection by others**

If the parent/carer is unable to collect their child, they must inform the Centre by phone, email or letter as to who will be collecting their child.

### **Policies and procedures**

Monkfield Park Care and Learning Centre policies and procedures are reviewed annually by its Governing Body. These policies and procedures are available to all parents/carers via the website, and paper copies on request; these regulate how the Care and Learning Centre is managed.

### **Annual review**

Monkfield Park Care and Learning Centre reserve the sole right to amend the Terms and Conditions at any time, to comply with legislation or operating requirements. Changes will be notified to parents/carers in writing and will supersede all preceding Terms and Conditions.

### **Tax Credit**

For details of tax credit that could assist you with your childcare fees, please call the tax credit helpline on 0845 300 3900 (text phone 0845 300 3909) or visit <u>www.hmrc.gov.uk/taxcredits</u>.