



23 July 2026

Dear Parents/Carers.

Arrangements for Nursery and Reception Wrap Around Care – September 2026

You will be aware from my letter dated 14 July of the arrangements which we propose to put in place for Nursery and Reception Wrap Around Care (NRWAC) from September 2026. This is a new provision set up to support the reduction of the school's waiting lists for wrap around care. We are pleased to report that it has been so effective that currently we do not have any waiting lists for either NRWAC or WACCY, something which we have been working hard to achieve as we know this provision is so important to so many of you.

We had been keen to advise you of the proposals at the earliest opportunity as feedback from you was that you needed to finalise your own childcare arrangements.

I should have said in my last letter that whilst we were putting in place arrangements for your Nursery and Reception children, we were also undertaking a general review of our wrap around care provision for children in Year 1 - Year 6 inclusive particularly around pricing.

I have received a couple of queries from incoming Reception parents/ carers and would just like to clarify one or two points:

1. The higher staffing ratios that are required for Nursery children are also required for Reception children. Prior to our establishing our Nursery Wrap around Care Provision last year we had been able to absorb these additional staffing costs for Reception children into our pricing structure. To ensure that every child who requires a place in our wrap around provision is accommodated to include those on our waiting lists we have had to split the provision as proposed which impacts on pricing.

2. You will appreciate that invoicing for our extended provision is complicated and we are doing our best to make it as straightforward as possible for parents/carers as well as for the school. We accept that under our earlier proposals Reception children would be joining Nursery children at 3.15pm ie Nursery children would have had an additional 15 minutes of time in NRWAC but parents/carers of Reception children would be charged the same amount in fees.

On reflection this is not fair as Reception children are then charged for 5-5.30pm if they move into WACCY.

We therefore propose that the costs for Nursery and Reception children will remain at £21 per session from 1 September but that should your Reception child wish to stay on into WACCY for 5-5.30pm there will be no additional charge. As such you will have a 'free' 15 minutes of care for your child. We will of course keep this under review.

We accept that there may be some Reception children who will be picked up routinely at 5pm. If you are able to confirm that you will collect your Reception child at 5pm we will reduce the charge to £18.50 acknowledging that they have not had the benefit of the

provision between 3-3.15pm – please speak to us about this. We will need to have a half term's notice of any change in arrangements – we will not be able to accommodate changes on an ad hoc/daily basis.

If your child is collected between 5.30pm-6pm then a fee of £4 will apply.

Collection after 6pm incurs a late pick up fee of £15 for every 15mins.

Sibling discount per child will apply at £1 per session per child.

I will be writing separately to the whole school with regards the review we have undertaken with regard pricing for Breakfast Club and WACCY. Please rest assured that we will continue to monitor the effectiveness, quality and value for money of both provisions throughout the year.

Do contact me should you have any queries or if you are facing financial difficulties in paying the fees.

A gentle reminder that the Nursery and Reception Wrap Around Care will not commence until Monday 14 September.

Regards,

Katharine Ellwood

Headteacher