



March 2021

Childcare and Clubs

We are looking forward to welcoming all of our children back next week. We will share our updated parent information over the next few days. We have had lots of enquiries about breakfast and afterschool clubs. As we are not able to mix our bubbles and have limited space, we will not resume club provision until after Easter. We are not able to staff 4 separate class clubs as we do not have 4 sets of support staff covering the 8a.m. to 4.30p.m. day.

We are working towards reintroducing essential childcare in the school hall after Easter. This would be a movie / table top activity club where pupils from all 4 classes could be cared for by a TA within the hall. Places will be limited so we are asking parents to apply to the school for places and over the coming weeks we will rank those who have no other childcare option and who are essential keyworkers. It is hoped that , as restrictions are lifted, we will be able to extend provision using our sports coach and other external partners.

In the meantime, those critical keyworkers who have arrangements in place for early drop off and specific collection times can continue to work with class teachers to access this arrangements. We will honour these plans whilst we work towards full reopening of all provision.

Requests for places in either club after the Easter break should be forwarded to the school email stpius@durhamlearning.net stating times and days required.

If your child is accessing alternative, registered childcare provision, the provider will have a risk assessment in place and school should be notified of the provider for Track and Trace purposes.

If your child is part of a childcare bubble we would remind all parents and carers that only one adult should drop off and collect children. We would also urge parents to continue to follow government requirements on mixing of households.