

Rathmore Primary School 2024-25 Information Pack

Thank you for your interest in YMCA After School Club. In this pack, you should find all the answers you need to best prepare for registering and attending YMCA After School Club.

If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact Jess (Playwork Manager):



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Our Aims:

- To provide a safe, secure, stimulating and child-centered environment, at an affordable cost to parents
- To provide a high quality play environment where children can play freely, and follow their play needs

Our Ethos:

- We focus on **child-led play**
- We encourage children to plan activities and resources around their play needs
- Typically, the activities that we have on offer will include arts and crafts, messy play, chill out zone, construction, role play, dress up, board games, cookery and outdoor play.

Our Setting

- YMCA After School Club will operate from West Church on Crawfordsburn Road.
- Our play-room is registered to hold 30 children with 3 members of staff.
- The children are collected from school by YMCA staff and walked the short distance to West Church.



Snack:

- We provide healthy snack during our After School sessions, and morning+afternoon snack during Holiday Club.
- Snack is a buffet style, where children can choose items such as toast, crackers, cheese, pancakes, yoghurts, dips and a selection of fresh fruit and vegetables.

Homework:

- Our aim is to provide good quality PLAY experiences for children
- We will provide a space and will support children to do their homework with us, if the child agrees. We will not interrupt play to ask a child to do their homework.
- We want to allow children the freedom to explore their play environment and have FUN!



Partnership

- We work closely with Rathmore Primary School to provide a continuation of care between school and home.
- We encourage parent representatives on our Management Committee and value the input of parents to our provision.
- We aim to provide Holiday Club provision on the days that school is closed (except Public Holidays).



Fee Structure

Registration Fee- for new registrations from 1/4/24 £25.00 per child (£20.00 for siblings already attending YMCA After School Club)			
	1st Child	2nd Child	3rd Child
After School Club Session (2pm-5:45pm or 3pm-5:45pm)	£20.00	£18.00	£15.00
Full Time (5 After School sessions per week)	£95.00 per week	£80.00 per week	£70.00 per week

Early School Closure (if children are collected at 1pm or before)	£3.00 per child
Late Collection Fee (if children are collected 5:45pm-6pm)	£2.00 per child

Holiday Club All Day (8:30am-5:45pm)	£30.00	£25.00	£23.00
Full Time (5 Holiday Club days per week)	£140.00 per week	£110.00 per week	£100.00 per week
Holiday Club Half Day (8:30am-1:30pm or 1:30pm-5:45pm)	£20.00	£18.00	£15.00

Holiday Club Dates School Year 2024-25

Full day Holiday Clubs will run on most of the school closure days.

- Monday 30th September (Staff Development Day)
- Autumn Half Term- Monday 28th October-Friday 1st November
- Monday 23rd December
 - Note - we will be closed from Tuesday 24th Dec-Friday 3rd January (inclusive)
- Monday 6th January, Tuesday 7th January
- Spring Half Term- Monday 10th February-Friday 14th February
- St Patricks Holiday- Monday 17th March
- Easter - Holiday Club facilitated at Bangor Town Centre site
 - Monday 14th April-Thursday 17th April
 - Wednesday 23rd April-Friday 25th April
- May Bank Holiday
- Note- Closed on Monday 5th May
- Holiday Club- Monday 26th May
- Summer Holiday
 - Note- we close for the July holiday- Monday 14th + Tues 15th July
 - Open full day holiday club for the rest of July and August

Next Steps:

Children can be registered for YMCA After School Club by clicking on the link below:

<https://ymcaafterschoolclub.kidsclubhq.co.uk/login#/home>

Or scanning the QR Code:



One of our Playwork team will then be in touch to discuss settling in etc.

There will be the option to opt for 'contract' bookings (set days each week for the school year ahead) or ad hoc bookings.

- Set days parents will need to request a 'contract' for their set days. Ad hoc parents will book the sessions they require in September as per their requirements. The contract needs to be reviewed by YMCA Admin staff and once accepted, means that you have the set day spaces for the school year.

Support with the system

Our team is still in the familiarisation and training phase with the system. However, we are happy to help with any issues you might have. There is also a good guide on the system:

<https://kidsclubhq.freshdesk.com/support/solutions/articles/33000250896-parent-guide-how-to-sign-up>

Cancellations:

Cancellations will still fall under the Cancellation Policy. Any sessions cancelled within 1 calendar month will be charged for.

If you require to cancel your session, you will need to email afterschool@northdownymca.org.

If the session is cancelled with more than 1 month notice, the session will be taken off your account on Kids Club HQ by our Admin Officer, Joanne.