

Raunds Child Centre

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Welcome to Playgroup

A warm welcome to all of our children and parents. We hope you are all now feeling fully refreshed and ready for the autumn term.

For our new starters, we hope to ensure your child gets the best start in Early Years education possible. If you have any queries or concerns please speak to Donna/Jenny or your Childs keyworker in confidence.

Voluntary Snack Money

We have now been operating voluntary snack contributions since last June. Because of this the children have been experiencing a wide variety of snacks and in some instances preparing them also i.e. Smoothies, dips, coleslaw, fruit salad, pizza, etc. The suggested amount is 20p per session and can be paid daily, weekly or half termly at the beginning of each session. A sheet is supplied for you to mark off your contribution together with money box. Without your contributions we can only offer basic snacks.

Thank you for your support.

Bumps and Marks and Bruises - can you please inform us of any bumps, marks or bruises your child may have upon **arrival** at playgroup. It is really important we know this information before you leave the premises.

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FUND RAISING NEWS:

Bags2School – a massive £122.50 was raised from collecting all of your unwanted clothes, bedding, curtains, soft toys, belts, handbags and shoes back in May 2011. Thank you.

Tempest Photography – A cheque was received for the sum of £75.17 from Tempest photography as the commission we earned from yourselves by purchasing the photos of your children. Thank you.

Weather Conditions

Please ensure your child is dressed suitably for the weather conditions we experience whether it be sunny or snowy!!

Parking

Please do not park in the Manor school car park or park in the bus bay when dropping off and collecting children. Manor school now have vehicle clamping in operation.

A **Suggestion Box** is placed in the entrance foyer. If you do have any ideas or suggestions please let us know about them. You do not have to give your name if you prefer not to.

Uniform

Not compulsory

Sweatshirts	£7.50
Polo shirt	£6.50
Bag	£4.50

Available in both purple and green.

Please **name all clothes** and provide a **named change of clothes** in a **named bag** as your child may require changing for a variety of reasons i.e. Messy/water play or toileting accidents.

Sickness and Illness

Please be advised that if your child has suffered from Diarrhoea and/or Vomiting we ask that the child does not return until 48 hours after the last symptom and is feeling well.

Can you please inform us via telephone if you expect your child to be away from playgroup for any longer than 2 days.

FEES: Thank you for your co-operation in paying the fees in advance as required by our policies. This is working well and cuts down on a lot of chasing. Please, speak to us if you are experiencing any difficulties as it is often better to know in advance rather than later.

Late Pick Up Charges

Please be aware turning up late to collect your child not only causes upset in some cases but also has an effect on our staffing arrangements. We do impose a discretionary £5 charge on late collections which covers the first 5 minutes, each additional 5 minutes or part of is then charged. We do of course appreciate that hold ups can be caused by things out of your control but may we please ask you to contact us as soon as is possible to ensure your child is put at ease.

Change of details and/or allergies

Please inform us immediately of any change of details ie. address, telephone numbers and health issues such as allergies and/or medication.



LUNCH CLUB Please provide your child/ren with a nutritious and healthy lunch. We would normally expect to see: a filled sandwich, roll or pitta bread, a piece of fruit or raisins, a yoghurt, fromage frais or jelly, fruit cake, and a drink (not fizzy). This list is not a requirement but merely a guide. Please also bear in mind that portion sizes need to be limited to what is easily managed. The children may be hungry but they are not about to climb Mount Everest!!!

Funding -Parents of those Children entitled to funding will be asked to sign the funding form within the next 2 weeks. Failure to sign will result in lost funding. We offer the 38 week contract which gives all eligible children 15 hours per week of Free Entitlement. A maximum of 2 settings may provide the childcare subject to both settings offering the 38 week contract. Please speak to Caroline if you have any concerns or queries.

Consent Forms: - New consent forms will be given out over the next week or so. It is important that you read through the form carefully and delete where necessary. Can you please complete and return the form to us as soon as possible.

Dates to Remember 2011



Term 1

Term Ends Friday 21st October 2011

Term 2

Training Day Monday 31st October 2011

Term Starts Tuesday 1st November 2011

Annual General Meeting Date to Follow

Term Ends Friday 16th December 2011

Term 3

Training Day Tuesday 3rd January 2012

Term Starts Wednesday 4th January 2012

Term Ends Friday 10th February 2012

Term 4

Term Starts Monday 20th February 2012

Term Ends Friday 30th March 2012

Term 5

Training Day Monday 16th April 2012

Term Starts Tuesday 17th April 2012

Early May Bank Holiday Monday 7nd May 2012

Term Ends Friday 1st June 2012

Term 6

Term Starts Monday 11th June 2012

Term Ends Friday 20th July 2012

Training Day Monday 23rd July 2012

