

## **ROUNABOUT AFTER SCHOOL CLUB – COVID 19 CLOSURE PARENTS INFORMATION**

Hi All

We thought it best to update you on what is happening at the Club.

The last session at the club will be Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March afternoon. After that the Club will close until further notice.

Our plan is to determine how many “Key” workers the school will accommodate, and how many of these would welcome the wrap round care we could give. When we know these numbers we will determine if we can support the school with this provision. Unfortunately, we do not believe we will be in a position to determine this until after the Easter holidays.

We are lucky at the Club to have fantastic Playworkers. Many of these Playworkers have elderly dependants or underlying health issues that would prevent them from continuing to work at the Club during these times. Our plan during the Easter period is to identify who will work and how many spaces are required. If we can reliably re-open for key workers we will.

We greatly appreciate the support that you have shown to the Club and Playworkers during these difficult times. As a Club we aim to continue to retain and pay in full our Playworkers during this period. We have reserve funds for such occasions that should last for duration of time school closure is being suggested.

Our funds will clearly be stretched. If you wish to make any voluntary contributions to the club during this time it would be gratefully accepted. Childcare vouchers can still be paid in or any other forms of payment.

Equally we appreciate that money may be tight for some of you. If you have paid in advance for any sessions during March and need the money back, please contact us. Please note we cannot refund Childcare Vouchers as cash for tax reasons.

So in summary:

- We hope to re-open the club after Easter for key workers, dependant on numbers.
- We are continuing to retain and pay our Playworkers during this period
- We have funds to continue to pay our Playworkers but would appreciate any financial support you can offer on a purely voluntary basis
- We aim to re-open fully and return to normal service when advised we can do so.

We aim to keep you informed through the School text system or website. If you wish to contact us then the clubs email address is [roundaboutosc@hotmail.com](mailto:roundaboutosc@hotmail.com) and we will endeavour to respond.

Once again, I would like to thank you for the kind words and support you have shared with the staff at the Club. We hope to see you all again soon and wish you good health during this difficult period.

From the Staff & Committee of the Roundabout After School Club