

GASC Newsletter

Taflen Newyddion GASC

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Welcome Back Again!

GASC is now fully open with all staff back off furlough.

A Risk Assessment has been completed, with some alterations to our layout inside to allow more space to move about, and to enable the staff to social distance with ease. Which means there is only space for a maximum of 20 children at each session.

Each member of staff is allotted to the same group of children all the time.

GASC has been open for a few weeks with three members of staff looking after the infant and some Hub children. Having the infants and juniors back running about, laughing and playing games will be a welcome sight, all be it somewhat restricted at times.

Opening Times

The opening times at GASC are slightly altered to coincide with the school staggered arrival and departure and to allow for the extra cleaning needed to try and keep safe from the spread of Covid-19.

BSC 7:30am. to 9:10am

ASC 3:20pm. to 5:45 pm

All day 8:00am to 5:00pm

Holiday 8:00am to 5:00pm

Easter Holidays

GASC's Holiday Club will be open for 3 days during the first week of the Easter holidays from Monday 29th to Wednesday 31st of March, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Your child will need a packed lunch and snacks.

Breakfast will be available between 8:30 and 9:00 a.m.

The cost for each full day is £19.80,
for a school day is £16.50,
and for half a day is £13.20.

16 places are available.

Booking

Please use the online booking form at www.gasc.org.uk

Gate Collection

The children will be collected from or brought to the gate. A doorbell is situated on the gate to ring for attention. GASC would prefer parents /carers to wait outside the gate with their child for a member staff to collect your child or to bring your child to you. Please try and remain socially distanced while waiting for or dropping off your child/children to us in the morning or afternoon.

INSET Day

Friday 30th April is the next INSET day. The all day club will be open 8:00am to 5:00pm.

Your child will need a packed lunch and snacks.

Breakfast will be available between 8:30 and 9:00am.

The cost for the day is £19.80.

Half day, any 5 hours £13.20.

School day £16.50.

16 places are available.

Summer Holidays

GASC summer holiday club will be open 4 weeks for 4 days a week, Monday 19th July until Thursday, 12th August 2021.



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Indoors

If GASC has to stay indoors for whatever reason, the exit and entrance doors will remain open. All the windows are open ajar at all times. The hall is divided up to enable groups to stay together with their allotted staff member.

Rooms

GASC is only using two of the three rooms with the children. The hall and entrance room. The top room has become a storage and isolation room. All the toys games and pens used in a session are sanitised then isolated in a lidded box for 72 hours, before being used again.

Coats

The children are spending much more time outside playing even if there is light rain, which is encouraged by The Senedd. Could your child please have a warm coat to wear .

Numbers

GASC is only taking a maximum of 20 children at BSC and ASC instead of the 32 we normally have. All day club and holiday club remains at 16 per day.

Caroline

Throughout lockdown Caroline has been very busy besides home schooling three children. Caroline has been studying hard to gain her level 3 Diploma in Playwork, which is awaiting verification.

Luckily some of the practical work was done before lockdown or in the months we were open last term. This will mean that Caroline is now a fully qualified member of our team.

Another personal goal Caroline hoped to achieve was to learn Makaton. So when the opportunity came along in lockdown it was taken with both hands completing levels 1-4. More recently Caroline has gained her Epilepsy Awareness in Schools certificate to go along side her first aid.

Caroline is eager to be back at GASC to put into practise all she has learned.

GASC would like to congratulate Caroline on all her hard work at such a difficult time. We now have 4 staff with level 3 in Playwork, which is an achievement.

Makaton is a language programme that uses signs, speech and symbols, to enable people who have cognitive impairments, autism, Down's Syndrome, specific language impairment, multisensory impairment or acquired neurological disorders to communicate. (Wikipedia)

Keep GASC Informed

Does GASC have the most up to date information , your address, phone numbers. It is vital at this time that the information we hold is the correct information.

Dates for Your Diary

INSET Day

All day club
Friday 30th April 2021

Easter Break

Holiday club
29th March to 31st March 2021
(3days)

May day

GASC IS CLOSED

Spring Bank Holiday

GASC IS CLOSED

INSET Day

All day club
Friday 2nd July 2021

Summer Break,

Holiday Club:
Monday 19th of July to
Thursday 12th of August
4 days a week for 4 weeks-
Mondays to Thursdays only.

Toilets

Children of the same class will be allowed in together other wise only one child at a time will be allowed in the toilets.

Enquiries

All enquiries to: Joan Howells, Senior Play Leader, GASC, School Lane, Penperlleni, Nr Pontypool, Monmouthshire, NP4 0AH. Telephone (01873) 880342 Mobile 07855 706173

Opening Times

Before School Club

7:30 a.m. to 9:10a.m. Cost £3.30

After School Club

3:20 to 5:45 p.m. Cost £6.60.

All Day Club

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
half a day (5 hours) £13.20
school day £16.50
full day £19.80 .

Holiday Club

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
half a day (5 hours) £13.20
school day £16.50
full day £19.80 .

Staff

Senior Play Leader

Joan Howells

Deputy Play Leader

Sarah Sims

Play Leaders

Diane Griffiths

Caroline James

Catering Assistant and Play leader

Linda Robinson

Committee

Chair	Mike Page
Vice-chair	Rhianne Pollard
Secretary	Kate Morris
Treasurer	Kate Sheppard
Members	Joanne Child Michelle North -Jones
Registered Person	Roger Howells
Internal Auditor	Mr Morris
Non-voting Mem- bers	Joan Howells Sarah Sims

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