



# Us in a Nutshell

We are a holiday club childcare service offering supervised care and fun activities from 8am-6pm throughout the school holidays for children reception aged -12 years. We pride ourselves on not just being 'another sports camp' but providing a real variety of activities for children to partake in. These include activities that our own staff lead and also external professionals who come in to lead exciting sessions and workshops!

## Some of the activities we offer:

- Fun group games
- Sports
- Arts & Crafts
- Outdoor activities
- Theatre/shows
- Cooking
- Board Games
- Construction
- Science

## Some of the external activities we offer:

- Scooter sessions
- Fencing
- Dance/Cheerleading
- Athletics
- Specialised cooking
- Archery
- Martial Arts/Parkour
- Circus skills
- Science workshops...and so many, many more!

## Our Ethos:

Our club is child led, meaning the children decide the schedule for the day by choosing from our selection of activities and resources. Play in Hallam endorses an active brand of play, meaning that no games consoles will be available. We believe in going the extra mile, expanding on your child's ideas and ensuring that their views and opinions count.

# Useful Information

## Venue/Directions:

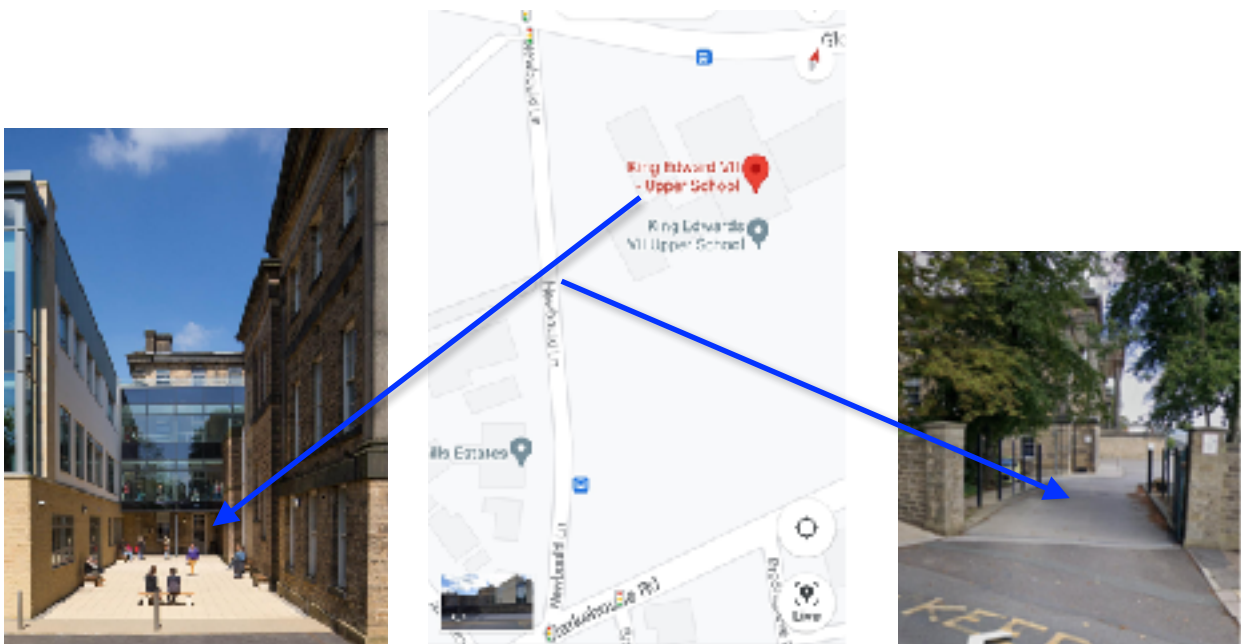
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## The entrance:

Come half way up newbould lane and the double gates are on the right. Once in front of the gates there will be a Play in Hallam sign with a phone number on your right, call this number and a member of staff will instruct you on what to do next. Once through the gates drive left and park there, you will see some blue benches, the entrance is passed the benches and on the right. Please ring the number or knock on the door and someone will let you in.

## The Play in Hallam entrance



## Prices:

Fees are charged per session at a fixed fee of £35 per session. There is a 5% discount available to the 1<sup>st</sup> sibling booked in. Use the promo code **SIB05** when booking online to secure this 5% discount. All fees are paid when you book online by credit, debit card or childcare vouchers. We do not accept cash or cheque.

## Cancelling/Changing Sessions:

If you have booked in sessions at the holiday club and would like to cancel these sessions, we can offer a 50% cancellation fee if given at least **1 WEEKS NOTICE**. **If a weeks notice is not given then you will be charged the full amount for the booked sessions.** If you would like to change a booking, we will change a booking like for like at any point (subject to availability) at no extra charge. We will always advise you of the most cost effective way to amend your booking. Please e-mail or ring in order to request these changes.

**In the event of child sickness, severe weather conditions, personal change of plan where the session is no longer needed or failure to provide 1 weeks notice, your full normal rate will still be charged.** Please ensure that fees are paid promptly. Non-payment may result in your place being terminated. If you are having difficulty paying fees, please speak in confidence to the Manager.

## Drop off and Collection:

The club is open from **8am-6pm**. Feel free to drop your child off and collect them at any time in between these hours. The club closes at 6pm, if for any reason you are delayed and will be later than this time, please contact the Play in Hallam contact number to inform us. There is a late collection fee of **£5 for each staff member for every 5 minutes after 6pm** to cover the costs of the staff who are legally required to stay and supervise your child.

## Induction

You and your child are welcome to visit the Club before your child's first day, to familiarise yourselves with the setting and to help your child settle in. Due time will be set aside for an induction. The induction will include running through Club's rules and routines and introducing your child the staff and other children. Another child will usually be allocated to act as your child's buddy for the first few sessions. See our **Child Induction Policy** for more details.

## Arrivals and Departures

A Daily register is taken when children arrive in our care, and you must sign your child in each day on arrival and out each day on collection. Also we ask for you to provide us with an emergency contact number for that day, in case we need to get in contact for any reason. We expect that your child will normally be collected by the people you have named on the registration form. If you need a different person to collect your child on a particular day, you must notify us in the morning and provide a password so we can confirm it is the correct person collecting. We will not release your child into the care of a person unknown to us without your authorisation. See our **Arrivals and Departures Policy** for more details.

The club is open from **8am-6.00pm**. Feel free to drop your child off and collect them at any time in between these hours. The club closes at 6.00pm, if for any reason you are delayed and will be later than this time, please contact the Play in Ltd contact number to inform us. There is a late collection fee of **£5 for each staff member for every 5 minutes after 6.00pm** to cover the costs of the staff who are legally required to stay and supervise your child.

If your child remains uncollected after 6:30pm and you have not warned us that you will be delayed (and we have been unable to reach you or any of your emergency contacts), we will follow our **Uncollected Children Policy** and contact the Social Care team.

## Child Protection

We are committed to building a 'culture of safety' in which the suspicion of abuse is promptly and appropriately responded to. We comply with local and national child protection procedures and ensure that all staff are appropriately trained. For more details see our **Safeguarding Policy**.

## Equal opportunities

Our Club provides a safe and caring environment, free from discrimination, for everyone in our community including children with additional needs.

- We respect the different racial origins, religions, cultures and languages in a multi-ethnic society so that each child is valued as an individual without racial or gender stereotyping
- We will challenge inappropriate attitudes and practices
- We will not tolerate any form of racial harassment

## Special Needs

We make every effort to accommodate and welcome any child with special needs. We will work in liaison with parents or carers and relevant professionals to fully understand your child's specific requirements. We will endeavour to accommodate all abilities, whilst working within limitations. Each case will be individually assessed to ensure everyone's safety. Our staff training programme includes specific elements relating to children with special needs. For more details on equal opportunities and special needs, see our **Equalities Policy**.

## Key Person

We provide all reception aged children with a key person. The role of the key person is to help your child to settle in at the Club, and to ensure that our care is tailored to meet the individual needs of your child. If you have any problems, concerns or achievements that you would like to discuss with the Club, please speak to your key person in the first instance. If you ever need to access specialist support for your child, your key person will help point you in the right direction.

## Behaviour (children)

Children and staff have created rules for acceptable behaviour whilst at the Club. These are displayed at the Club for everyone to see. We have a clear **Behaviour Management Policy**, a copy of which is distributed to all parents and carers. The Club promotes an atmosphere of care, consideration and respect for everyone attending: children, staff and visitors. We encourage appropriate behaviour through: praise for good behaviour; emphasis on co-operative play and sharing; talking to children with the courtesy that we expect from them and engaging children in positive activities. The Club has procedures for dealing with unacceptable behaviour. We recognise that poor behaviour can occur from time to time for reasons that are not always evident, or as a result of special needs. We will try to be flexible in order to accommodate such cases. However, if your child is violent, or if their

behaviour poses an immediate danger to themselves or others, we will require you to collect them from the Club immediately. In exceptional circumstances, and only when all other attempts at behaviour management have failed, we reserve the right to permanently exclude a child from the Club. See our **Suspensions and Exclusions Policy** for full details.

### **Behaviour (adults)**

We will not tolerate from any person, whether a parent, carer or visitor: bullying, aggressive, confrontational or threatening behaviour, or behaviour intended to result in conflict. Our Club is a place of safety and security for the children who attend and the staff who work here, and we reserve the right to ban anyone exhibiting inappropriate behaviour from our premises. See our **Aggressive Behaviour Policy** for more details.

### **Illness**

We are unable to care for children who are unwell. If your child becomes unwell whilst at the Club we will contact you and ask you to make arrangements for them to be collected. Please inform the Manager of any infectious illness your child contracts. If your child has had sickness or diarrhoea please do not send him or her to the Club for 48 hours after the illness has ceased. See our **Illness and Accidents Policy** for more details.

### **Accidents and First Aid**

Every precaution is taken to ensure the safety of the children at all times, and the Club is fully insured. Our staff are trained in first aid and a first aid kit is kept on the premises. If your child has an accident whilst in our care, you will be informed when you collect your child. For full details see our **Illness and Accidents Policy**.

### **Medication**

Please let the Manager on site know if your child is taking prescribed medicine. If your child needs to take medicine whilst at the Club you will need to complete a **Permission to administer medication form** in advance. See our **Administering Medication Policy** for more details.

### **Complaints Procedure**

If you have any queries, comments or need to discuss any matters concerning your child, please feel free to speak to the Manager in private. Verbal complaints will be brought to the next staff meeting for discussion and action. All written complaints will be acknowledged within five working

days of receipt and a full written response will be given within 28 days. A full copy of our **Complaints Policy** is available on request.

## **Pledge to Parents**

We value our relationship with parents/carers and are committed to working in partnership with you to provide top quality play and care for your children. We will:

- Welcome you at all times to discuss our work, have a chat and take part in our activities
- Keep you informed of opening times, fees and charges, programmes of activities, menus, and procedures
- Be consistent and reliable to enable you to plan with confidence
- Listen to your views and concerns to ensure that we continue to meet your needs and peace of mind
- Share and discuss your child's achievements, experiences, progress, and friendships
- Be available to discuss decisions about running the club
- Ask your permission for outings and special events

## **Preparing for Holiday Club**

### **What to bring to the club:**

- Packed lunch with child's name on (including extra snacks if they require them)
- Water bottle with child's name on
- A bag of spare clothes (for personal accidents or in summer-water fights!)
- Weather appropriate clothes e.g sunhat/scarf/gloves for outdoor activities
- Sun screen if they have sensitive skin

### **What not to bring:**

- Mobile phone/tablet/technological equipment or toys
- Cameras
- Valuable items
- Expensive/new clothes
- Money

## **Weather conditions/Sun cream/What to wear:**

The children at Play in Hallam will be involved in a range of indoor and outdoor activities so we ask that you prepare your child for all weather conditions. Comfortable clothes appropriate for sports/games/the odd paint splash should be worn. Please apply sunscreen on your child prior to bringing them to the club. Even when it isn't sunny, the UV rays can be strong and therefore suggest you do this even if it is not a sunny day. We ask you to sign a consent form as part of the registration pack for us to apply sunscreen to your child, but if they are sensitive to certain sunscreens we suggest that you bring sunscreen to the club. Ideally if you apply sunscreen which provides all day protection prior to your child coming to the club, that would be much appreciated.

## **Extra Curricular clothing/Scooters & Bikes:**

On days where we provide **fencing, zorbing, scooter sessions or other such highly physical activities**, we ask that children wear long trousers or leggings to protect their legs. On trampolining days, children must wear socks, and **on scooter/bike days children must bring their own scooter/bike and helmet**. This is a request made by the professionals who provide these sessions and failure to wear the correct clothing may result in your child not being able to join in.

## **Food:**

For the children's main meal we ask for parents to provide a packed lunch with the child's name on. If you would like to include extra snacks within this for your children, feel free to do so. **PLEASE BEAR IN MIND THAT WE DO NOT HAVE ANY REFRIGERATION FACILITIES TO STORE PACKED LUNCHES.**

Each day we will also provide healthy snacks in the morning and afternoon. These include:

- Rice cakes/bread sticks/crackers
- Fresh fruit & vegetables
- Biscuits/pancakes

Fresh water will be available at all times.



## **NUT-FREE Zone:**

We are a **NUT-FREE** and all packed lunches must **NOT** contain nut based products or anything that may contain nuts.

Packaging must be checked for:

- Not suitable for nut allergy sufferers
- This product contains nuts
- This product may contain traces of nuts

Indicating this is unsuitable for club consumption.

**Lunch box items will be removed by staff and replaced with snack items if containing nuts or nut products.**

We ask parents to notify us regarding any special dietary requirements or allergies when they register their child. Information regarding food allergies is recorded on the Allergy Information Board which is visible to staff whilst food is being prepared.

## **For your Peace of Mind**

### **OFSTED Registered:**

Play in Hallam is OFSTED Registered, which means that we need to keep to the highest standard of care. As we are Registered, we are able to accept child care vouchers, which allows parents to save money.

### **Staff/Safe Recruitment:**

Play in Hallam is run by highly qualified childcare professionals and experienced Play Workers. You can be assured that we follow a safe recruitment policy when employing staff (this can be seen in our Safe Recruitment Policy). All/relevant staff are:

- Fully Qualified Childcare Professionals
- DBS Certified
- Safeguarding trained
- Food Hygiene Certified
- First Aid trained

We maintain a staff/child ratio of 1:8 for children under the age of eight, and a ratio of 1:10 for children over the age of 8.

### **Extra Curricular Providers**

We have 2 Extra Curricular providers that come in each day apart from Fridays to provide fun and new activities for your child to try. These usually come for the am session between 10.30-11.30 and for the pm session from 1.30-2.30, but this can change from time to time depending on the providers. Please ask us on the day if you need exact times and we can let you know then. All the external providers that we use are DBS checked, I.D checked, have public liability insurance and are legitimate workshop providers for children. They will also never be left unsupervised with the children as at least 1 'Play in' member of staff will always be in the session.

### **Policies & Procedures/Data Protection**

Please visit [www.playinltd.com](http://www.playinltd.com) for a full list of our Policies & Procedures. All information will be kept confidential in line with our **Data Protection & Privacy Policy** and our **Privacy Notice**.

Please refer to our club's **Terms and Conditions** or **FAQ's** on the website for any further information required. Thank you.

## **Privacy Notice**

At Play in Ltd we respect the privacy of the children attending the Club and the privacy of their parents or carers. The personal information that we collect about you and your child is used only to provide appropriate care for them, maintain our service to you, and communicate with you effectively. Our lawful basis for processing the personal information relating to you and your child is so that we can fulfil our contract with you. Our legal condition for processing any health-related information that you provide about your child is so that we can provide appropriate care for that child.

Any information that you provide is kept secure. Data that is no longer required\* is erased after your child has ceased attending our Club.

We will use the contact details you give us to contact you via phone, email and post where necessary, so that we can send you information about your child, our Club and other relevant news, and so that we can communicate with you regarding payment of our fees.

We will only share personal information about you or your child with another organisation if we:

- Have a safeguarding concern about your child
- Are required to by government bodies or law enforcement agencies
- Engage a supplier to process data on our behalf (eg to take online bookings, or to issue invoices)
- Have obtained your prior permission.

You have the right to ask to see the data that we have about yourself or your child, and to ask for any errors to be corrected. We will respond to all such requests within one month. You can also ask for the data to be deleted, but note that:

- We will not be able to continue to care for your child if we do not have sufficient information about them
- Even after your child has left our care, we have a statutory duty to retain some types of data for specific periods of time\* so can't delete everything immediately.

If you have a complaint about how we have kept your information secure, or how we have responded to a request to access, update or erase your data, you can refer us to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO).

### **Contact Information:**

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Equalities and Inclusion Co-ordinator, Health and Safety Officer  
Fire Safety Officer, First Aid Co-ordinator, EYFS Key Person  
EYFS Key Person, Child Protection Officer