Dear Parents/Carers,

# Fee increases for the 2025-26 academic year

As you are aware, St Joseph's Out of School Club is a non- profit-making charity whose aim is to support the working parents at our school. We try to keep the cost to parents affordable.

However, as those who attended the AGM are aware, the club ran at a loss last year, along with increasing overheads (such as rent and utilities) this has led to the need to review the fees. As we are sure you will understand, whilst the club is non – profit making, it can't afford to run at a loss either. As a committee we also have a desire to pay our staff in a way that reflects the nurture and care that is given to our children. The benefit to you and your children is in the quality of staff that run the club and the new ones joining us.

As of the 1 September 2025 we will be adjusting our fees. **However our Breakfast session is now running from 7:30am.** Please see our new rates as set out below:

Session	Ad hoc [paid at time of	Contract [billed monthly]
	booking]	
Breakfast (7.30am to school	£6.50	£5.50
opening) or any part thereof		
Early afternoon (3.20pm to	£8.25	No change
4.30pm) or any part thereof		_
Full afternoon (3.20pm to	£12.00	£9.80
any time after 4.30pm and		
up to 6pm)		

We have carried out a benchmarking exercise and even with this increase, our fees remain in line with other out of school provision in the area.

#### **Debt**

Now we are in the Summer term, the end of the academic year is fast approaching. ALL OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS MUST BE CLEARED BY THE BEGINNING OF THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS. Please clear this promptly by the end of July 2025 to save our voluntary committee from having to chase during the Summer holidays. If your account is not cleared, it will be put on hold and your child will be unable to attend until this is rectified (this includes Holiday Club).

#### Year 6

We wish our year 6 children well as they move onto their new adventure in their education. We will miss them all greatly! Please can we ask that your account is cleared. We will cancel all contracts on the 1 July 2025 to end on the 1 August 2025 so that there are no additional charges.

## **Contracts**

All contracts will roll into the next academic year (unless you are currently Year 6!). If you wish to make a change or cancel your contract, please contact OOSC on <u>oosc@st-josephs.gloucs.sch.uk</u>

## Ad-hoc bookings

As per our terms and conditions, ad-hoc bookings must be paid for at the time of booking.

## Late Fees

If your child is booked in for an early session and you go over by 1 minute you will then be charged a full night fee. If you collect after 6pm, as per our terms and conditions which can be found on the school website under the OOSC tab, you will be charged £10 per child.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the Committee members and once again thank you for your continued support of OOSC.

Kind regards

The OOSC Committee and Team