



St Joseph's Out of School Club
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Dear Parent/Career

Thank you to all those parents who used OOSC holiday club over February half term. Despite the wet weather, the children all had a great time completing a range of activities from baking to making slime, to campfires and so much more! Pictures of the activities are on the OOSC Facebook page.

Easter Holiday Club runs Tuesday 7 – Thursday April, from 8.30 – 5.00pm and bookings is open. Full details, including the timetable are available from the school [website](#). Please do spread the word to your local friends and family and encourage them to book. We have capacity for 30 children per day (26 on Forest School days) and the more children who attend, the greater the funds available to reinvest into the general running and upkeep of OOSC.

OOSC Treasurer – External Accountant Appointed

We are currently predicting that the OOSC will run at a financial loss for the 2020/21 academic year. This is due to our having to outsource the Treasurer role, having failed to find replacement when our previous Treasurer stepped down after 4 years' service. A local firm of accountants has taken over the OOSC bookkeeping tasks, with the other tasks being absorbed by the remaining Committee members to minimise costs. Despite being able to negotiate a discounted rate for the bookkeeping services, this resource now costs us several thousand pounds a year.

Holiday Club goes some way to mitigate this increased expenditure, but it will not provide all the funds required for us to meet our financial commitments for 2020. It is therefore necessary to implement a price increase to ad-hoc bookings to help pay for the administration required to process these bookings and payments. The increase comes into effect as from 1st April. The new charges will be:

- Breakfast session: £4.25
- Early afternoon session: £6.50
- Full afternoon session: £10.00

Contract prices will remain unchanged. Please email chairoosc.st.josephs@gmail.com if you would like to move to a contract for your bookings.

Help us avoid further cost increases by:

- Supporting Holiday Club and promoting it to friends and family
- Ensure that you for **all** ad hoc bookings at the time of booking and ideally in one transaction for multiple bookings.
- Ensure the invoice for your contract bookings is paid in the month it is received

Due to our financial situation, we will have no option but to block access to users who do not adhere to these payment terms.

Thank you for your support.
The OOSC Committee