‘Use It or Lose It’/Help Template for Out of School Clubs

Introduction
Over the last year, interruptions to schooling enforced closures of businesses and a move to parents/carers working at home has affected many Out of School Childcare Clubs, leaving them with far fewer children attending than normal and many temporarily closed.

As current lockdown restrictions ease and families plan childcare arrangements for the coming term, school holidays and beyond, now is the right time to call for their support in terms of bookings or letting them know that they risk losing the affordable, local childcare your Setting provides for good. Feel free to use and amend any part of the template below to start a ‘use it or lose it’ campaign for your Setting. You may wish to tailor the information under ‘About Our Club’ such as the unique qualities or selling points your club has.

HELP – [Name of Out of School Club] needs your support to stay open! Use it or lose it!

Over the last year, we have had fewer children attending our Out of School Club than normal [or over the last year, interruptions to schooling, enforced closures of businesses and a move to parents/carers working at home has meant that we have fewer children attending our Out of School Club than normal].

We have tried our best to sustain your Club ready for when you need us again for your children to play, whilst you work or train. However we cannot afford to keep running this service as things stand.

We kindly urge anyone who may want to use the Club to get in touch immediately to discuss any current or future childcare needs so that we may put plans in place or make a final decision to close our doors for good.

Whilst we rely on regular bookings to sustain us, we are also open to families needing one-off sessions for children to play together freely, having fun, making friends and getting active in a child-led way. We welcome your children in their return to some form of normality after missed play opportunities and other impacts of Covid -19.

Email us at xxx@xxxx or contact us on xxxx to express an interest in using and saving this vital service.

About Our Club

Over the last year, there have been fewer opportunities for children to play and [Club name] can help children re-engage socially and physically and support their emotional wellbeing through play; what they love doing best. Parents can work un-interrupted and with peace of mind that their children are safe and having fun. Out of School Childcare Clubs offer quality, safe, play-rich and child-led spaces facilitated by qualified Playworkers who understand and respect children’s right to play.

[Name] Out of School Club provides affordable before and after school care from [7:30am until 6pm] based [in the school]. It [is regulated by Care Inspectorate Wales and] meets Welsh Government’s protective measures (relating to Covid-19) to keep childcare and children safe. [It is registered for Tax Free Childcare and The Childcare Offer which reduces our advertised fees by 20% or provides fully funded childcare for parents (3-4 year olds)*].

We have access to outdoor play spaces, which we encourage the children to make the most of, and have lots of toys and games along with some planned activities that children can also choose to take part in.

Come and play!

*Please ask us about it - eligibility criteria apply.

Dros y flwyddyn ddiwethaf, gorfododd ymyriadau o ran addysg fusnesau i gau, ac mae symudiad at rieni/gofalwyr yn gweithio gartref wedi effeithio ar lawer o Glybiau Gofal Plant Allysgol, drwy eu gadael â llawer llai o blant nag arfer yn eu mynychu, a nifer ohonynt wedi cau dros dro.

Wrth i’r cyfyngiadau cyfnod-clo presennol lacio ac wrth i deuluoedd gynllunio eu trefniadau gofal plant am y tymor i ddod, gwyliau’r ysgol a thu hwnt i hynny, yn awr yw’r amser priodol i ofyn am eu cefnogaeth o ran archebion am le, neu adael iddynt wybod eu bod mewn risg o golli am byth y gofal plant fforddiadwy a lleol y mae eich Lleoliad yn ei darparu. Teimlwch yn rhydd i ddefnyddio a diwygio unrhyw ran o’r templed isod i ddechrau ymgyrch ‘cefnogwch neu collwch’ i’ch lleoliad. Efallai yr hoffech addasu’r wybodaeth yn ‘Ynghylch ein Clwb’ megis o ran priodweddau unigryw neu bwyntiau gwerthu eich clwb.

HELP – Mae ar [Enw’ch Clwb Allysgol] angen eich cefnogaeth i aros ar agor! Cefnogwch neu Collwch!

Dros y flwyddyn ddiwethaf rydym wedi cael llai nag arfer o blant yn mynychu ein Clwb Allysgol [neu, ‘Mae busnesau sydd wedi eu gorfodi i gau, ymyriadau i addysgu a mwy o rieni/gofalwyr yn gweithio gartref wedi golygu bod gennym lai o blant nag arfer yn mynychu eich Clwb Allysgol’].

Rydym wedi ceisio’n gorau glas i gynnal eich Clwb fel y gall fod yn barod ar gyfer yr adeg y bydd arnoch ein hangen eto yn lle i’ch plant chwarae tra byddwch chi’n gweithio neu’n hyfforddi. Er hynny, ni allwn fforddio i ddal i redeg y gwasanaeth yma a phethau fel y maent ar hyn o bryd.

Pwyswn yn garedig ar unrhyw un a allai fod yn dymuno defnyddio’r Clwb i gysylltu â ni yn syth i drafod unrhyw anghenion gofal plant presennol neu yn y dyfodol, fel y gallwn roi cynlluniau yn eu lle neu wneud penderfyniad terfynol i gau ein drysau am byth.

Er ein bod yn dibynnu ar archebion rheolaidd i’n cynnal, rydym hefyd yn agored i deuluoedd y mae arnynt angen sesiynau untro fel y gall y plant chwarae gyda’i gilydd yn rhydd, cael hwyl, gwneud ffrindiau a bod yn egnïol, o dan eu harweiniad nhw eu hunain. Croesawn eich plant wrth iddynt ddychwelyd i ryw ffurf ar normalrwydd wedi cyfleoedd chwarae a fethwyd ac effeithiau eraill Covid-19.

Ebostiwch ni ar xxx@xxxx neu cysylltwch â ni ar xxxx i fynegi diddordeb mewn defnyddio a chadw’r gwasanaeth hollbwysig yma.

Ynghylch ein Clwb

Dros y flwyddyn ddiwethaf bu llai o gyfleoedd i blant chwarae, a gall [Enw’r clwb] helpu plant i ail-ymgysylltu’n gymdeithasol ac yn gorfforol, gan gefnogi eu llesiant emosiynol drwy chwarae; yr hyn sydd orau ganddynt i’w wneud. Gall rhieni weithio heb ymyrraeth ac â’r tawelwch meddwl bod eu plant yn ddiogel ac yn cael hwyl. Mae Clybiau Gofal Plant Allysgol yn cynnig lleoedd o ansawdd, diogel, cyfoethog mewn chwarae, a than arweiniad y plant; maent wedi eu hwyluso gan Weithwyr Chwarae Cymwysedig sy’n deall ac yn parchu hawl plant i chwarae.

Mae Clwb Allysgol [Enw] yn darparu gofal cyn ac ar ôl oriau ysgol o [7:30yb hyd 6yh] ac wedi ei leoli [yn yr ysgol]. Y mae wedi ei reoleiddio gan Arolygiaeth Gofal Cymru ac mae’n bodloni mesurau amddiffyn Llywodraeth Cymru (parthed Covid-19) i gadw gofal plant a phlant yn ddiogel. [Y mae

wedi cofrestru ar gyfer Gofal Plant Di-dreth a’r Cynnig Gofal Plant, sy’n gostwng y ffioedd a hysbysebir gennym yn ôl 20% neu’n darparu gofal plant a ariennir yn llawn ar gyfer rheini (3-4 blwydd oed)*].

Mae gennym fynediad i fannau chwarae yn yr awyr agored, a byddwn yn annog y plant i wneud y gorau o’r rhain; mae gennym hefyd ddigonedd o deganau a gemau, ynghyd â rhai gweithgareddau wedi’u trefnu, y rhain hefyd lle gall y plant ddewis a ydynt am gymryd rhan ynddynt.

Dewch i chwarae!

*Holwch ni am hyn – mae meini prawf cymhwysedd yn berthnasol.