

Clwb Hwyl Flintshire: Supporting to establish a new After School Club serving the needs of the community.

A school in Flintshire decided to establish a community led After School Club where half of the respondents to a survey to analyse demand said that it would allow them to look for employment and training. With support from Clybiau Plant Cymru Kids' Clubs on market research, business planning, childcare and business regulation/registration, the After School Club subsequently opened has gone from strength to strength and has now opened a Holiday Club to continue meeting the needs of the school catchment throughout the year.

At St. Mary's Catholic Primary School, we currently have 245 pupils. 23% of those pupils are eligible for free school meals and 25% of the children have English as an additional language (mainly Polish). The school is situated between a large council estate and an equally sized area of private housing. The school takes most children from these two areas but also has children travelling in from Bagillt, Mold and all over Flint. Three quarters of the respondents to our surveys are currently working either part or full time. Furthermore, 50% of the respondents said that having their children at an After School Club would allow them to **look** for employment or training. We felt it was very important to give our families important life opportunities and to improve the work/life balance of those already in work.

We decided to develop Out of School Childcare on the site because we wanted to meet the needs of our families. Responses to questionnaires sent out showed that there was a clear need for an After School Club. We previously had an unregistered club but that was only open until 5pm, therefore not as well attended as it was not quite meeting the needs of working parents/carers. We knew that working parents wanted the children to be safe until 6pm. We also had a suitable room for the club to be held.

Clybiau Plant Cymru Kids' Clubs helped us to set up our committee and register as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. This was invaluable as it meant that the Trustees are better protected, limiting their liability of financial losses. Clybiau Plant Cymru Kids' Clubs also helped us through the process of registering with Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW), developing our cash flow forecast and applying for funding. We recognise it is important to be a CIW registered setting to ensure the delivery of high-quality childcare. Our parents needed a club that is open until 6pm; it is only by registering with CIW that we have been able to do this, also through registering with CIW, we have been able to offer Tax Free Childcare and the Childcare Offer, both of which enable parents to access financial support with fees making childcare more affordable.

Our vision is of Clwb Hwyl After School Club being an attractive, good value option for childcare for parents of children at St Mary's School. We see Clwb Hwyl being somewhere that children want to come to and be free to play in safe surroundings with their peers. We see the Holiday Club also providing an affordable option for childcare during school holidays.

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Astudiaeth Achos

Clwb Hwyl yn Ysgol Gynradd y Santes Fair, Y Fflint

Clwb Hwyl Sir y Fflint: Yn cefnogi sefydlu Clwb Ôl-Ysgol newydd i wasanaethu anghenion y gymuned.

Penderfynodd ysgol yn Sir y Fflint sefydlu Clwb Ôl-Ysgol lle bu i hanner yr ymatebwyr i arolwg dadansoddi'r galw ddweud y byddai hyn yn eu galluogi i edrych a gyflogaeth a hyfforddiant. Â chefnogaeth gan Clybiau Plant Cymru Kids' Clubs ar ymchwil i'r farchnad, cynllunio busnes, gofal plant a rheoleidio/cofrestru busneses, mae'r Clwb Ôl-Ysgol o ganlyniad wedi agor, wedi mynd o nerth i nerth, a bellach wedi agor Clwb Gwyliau i barhau i ateb anghenion dalgyloch yr ysgol trwy gydol y flwyddyn.

Ar hyn o bryd mae gennym 245 o ddisgyblion yn yr ysgol. Mae 23% o'r disgyblion hynny yn gymwys i gael pryddau ysgol am ddim ac mae'r Saesneg yn iaith ychwanegol i 25% o'r plant (Pwyliaid gan fwyaf). Mae'r ysgol rhwng ystâd gyngor fawr ac ardal o'r un maint o dai preifat. Mae'r ysgol yn cymryd y mwyafrif o'r plant o'r ddwy ardal yma ond mae ganddynt hefyd blant yn teithio i mewn o Fagillt, Yr Wyddgrug ac ar hyd a lled Y Fflint. Mae tri chwarter yr ymatebwyr i'n harolygon yn gweithio naill ai'n rhan amser neu'n llawn amser ar hyn o bryd. Ymhellach, fe ddywedodd 50% o'r ymatebwyr y byddai bod â'u plant mewn Clwb Ôl-ysgol yn eu galluogi i **chwilio** am gyflogaeth neu hyfforddiant. Roeddem yn teimlo ei bod yn bwysig iawn rhoi cyfleoedd bywyd pwysig i'n teuluoedd ac i wella cydbwysedd gwaith/bywyd y rhai sydd eisoes mewn gwaith.

Fe benderfynon ni ddatblygu Gofal Plant Allysgol ar y safle oherwydd ein bod eisieu darparu ar gyfer y teuluoedd rydyn ni'n eu gwasanaethu. Dangosodd yr holiaduron a anfonwyd allan bod angen clir am Glwb Ôl-ysgol. Roedd gennym ni glwb anghofrestredig o'r blaen ond dim ond tan 5yh yr oedd hynny ar agor, felly nid oedd cymaint yn ei fynychu. Roeddem yn gwybod bod y rhieni a fyddai'n gweithio am i'r plant fod yn ddiogel tan 6yh. Roeddem yn gwybod bod gennym ystafell addas i gynnal y clwb.

Bu Clybiau Plant Cymru Kids' Clubs yn ein helpu i sefydlu ein pwyllgor a chofrestru fel Sefydliad Corfforedig Elusennol. Roedd hyn yn amhrisiadwy gan ei fod yn golygu bod yr Ymddiriedolwyr yn cael eu diogelu rhag bod yn atebol am golledion. Gwnaeth Clybiau Plant Cymru Kids' Clubs hefyd ein helpu drwy'r broses o gofrestru gydag Arolygiaeth Gofal Cymru (AGC), datblygu rhagolygon ein llif arian a gwneud cais am gyllido. Rydym yn cydnabod ei bod yn bwysig bod yn lleoliad sydd wedi ei gofrestru gan AGC am ein bod yn credu bod angen inni wneud i sicrhau ein bod yn darparu gofal plant o ansawdd uchel. Derbyniodd arweinydd ein clwb hyfforddiant gwaith chwarae drwy Clybiau Plant Cymru Kids' Clubs, a gefnogodd ein cofrestriad, sy'n golygu ein bod yn cadw at y Safonau Gofynnol Cenedlaethol ar gyfer Gofal Plant a Reoleiddir. Roedd ein rhieni angen clwb sydd ar agor tan 6yh; dim ond drwy gofrestru gyda AGC y gallwn wneud hyn. Hefyd drwy gofrestru gyda AGC, rydym wedi gallu cynnig Gofal Plant Di-dreth a'r Cynnig Gofal Plant, y ddau yn galluogi rhieni i gael gofal plant fforddiadwy.

Ein gweledigaeth yw y bydd Clwb Hwyl ar ôl Ysgol yn opsiwn gofal plant deniadol a gwerth am arian i rieni plant yn Ysgol Santes Fair. Rydym yn ystyried Clwb Hwyl yn rhywle y mae plant am ddod iddo a bod yn rhydd i chwarae yno mewn amgylchfyd diogel gyda'u cyfoedion. Gwelwn y Clwb Gwyliau hefyd yn darparu opsiwn fforddiadwy ar gyfer gofal plant yn ystod gwyliau ysgol.

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