## St Edward's School Club

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At a recent meeting of the School Club Committee, members received an excellent report from the Club Supervisors about the behaviour of the children, with the new Reception pupils settling in well.

The Club has seen attendance figures rising and, to help with the demand, we are to increase the number of places available in our Before School Club. These places will be available from the start of next half term and you will now be able to book these extra slots via Arbor.

We are also to open up new bookings for each half term at the new time of 6pm on the Sunday, two weeks before the end of each half term, rather than 9am on the Monday morning, allowing parents to make their bookings on a weekend.

For children attending our Before School Club, we are to introduce a signing in register and we would ask that when a child is brought into the Club they are signed in by the person dropping off. **ALL children should be accompanied into the Club premises and not dropped off outside the gates.** 

We have received concerns from parents regarding the Club's policy of 'no refunds' and the Committee has taken note of these views. However, the Club is a business with staffing levels ascertained in advance. The Club fees are reasonable and the After School Club remains open until 6pm, thus allowing the children to transfer to the Club after taking part in an after school activity. Action will be taken to ensure parents are advised of after school activities whenever possible in advance of the school club booking system going live, but we do not always have control over the timing of published dates issued by outside organisations not linked to the school. If parents have places booked in the Club but they want to enrol their children in an external club, it is a choice to be made by them and the Club should not be expected to provide a refund.

We are losing a member from our Committee, Jane Joyce, who is retiring at the end of half term. We are pleased to welcome Hazra Musa, who is to take over the role of Secretary and we wish both Jane and Hazra well going forward with their futures. The Club meet each term and if any parent would like to volunteer to serve on the Committee, please let Mrs Kippax or Miss Musa know.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs K M Woods Headteacher