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Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Breakfast Club**

I am writing to remind parents that Breakfast Club does not begin until 8am. Unfortunately some children are being dropped off earlier and earlier and during this last week we have had nine children in before 8am.

Our staff are not paid until 8am and we are not insured to have children on site until 8am. Early arrival is causing problems in terms of setting up for Breakfast Club and concerns regarding being in breach of our legal obligations.

I do appreciate that parents want to drop children off as early as possible in order to get to work and we have tried to be flexible for 'one off' emergencies however, it is becoming an accepted practise to drop children off early and looking after children earlier and earlier is having an adverse effect on our ability to set up games, activities and set up the breakfast station whilst trying to look after an increasing number of children. I am very concerned that if an accident or injury occurs prior to 8am we will invalidate our insurance putting the school at risk financially.

It is therefore, with regret, that I must inform you that our main door will not be open until 8am prompt with effect from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019. Any parent requiring earlier childcare should contact SCAMPS on 07920178952 to book their child into their early breakfast club provision.

In addition, I can ask all parents to remain at the door at the main entrance instead of following their children into Breakfast Club as this is in breach of our safeguarding policy.

Many thanks for your co-operation and understanding.

Yours sincerely

Mr S Myers

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