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Dear Parents and Carers,

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Change to Wraparound Care Fees

We are writing to inform you of an important change regarding the fees for our popular and oversubscribed wraparound care provision at Broadwater CE Primary School. Since we first opened the current provision, the prices have not been increased despite considerable rises in inflation, energy and staffing costs. We have also been working to expand the number of places we will be offering – both in the morning and after school sessions. From September, this will mean that there will be some changes to the way sessions are structured, with some children being based out of the Studio. Children will still have access to the range of activities that currently are on offer and this will not impact on the process of drop-off and collection – that will remain the same. In order to maintain the high standards of care, safety and quality that we offer as we open more spaces the school has reviewed the current costs associated with running this service.

After careful consideration and comparison exercises, it has been agreed that, in order to ensure the longevity and quality of our provision, a small price increase is required effective from **1**st **September 2025**.

The new fees will be as follows:

- Morning Session: 7:30 to 8:45 at £5.50 per session.
- After School Session: 3:15pm to 5:30pm at £8 per session.

Despite this price increase, analysis of other local providers shows that our prices remain highly competitive. Furthermore, our afterschool provision will continue to be run by our highly valued and experienced staff- many of whom also carry out significant roles within the main school team.

We do understand that price increases can present challenges, and we want to reassure you that this decision was made to ensure the sustainability of the service. The additional funds will be used to cover increased operating costs, staffing, and resources required to maintain the high quality of care your child receives. Please find attached details of additional funding available to families to help with childcare costs. Further details can also be found at https://www.gov.uk/childcare-calculator

We greatly value your continued support and understanding as we implement these changes. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the new fees or would like to discuss how this change might affect your family, please do not hesitate to contact us at office@broadwaterce.org.

Thank you for your understanding, and we look forward to continuing to support your child's needs in the wraparound care provision and supporting our working families with this provision.

Kind regards,

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