



Why are we consulting with parents about after school care?

Parent feedback indicates that we have a number of parents who work extended hours outside of the school day and as such they may find picking up their children difficult. As the school feeds a number of secondary schools this means many parents may also have to attend different sites in order to meet required pick up times.

What does the school already offer?

The school offers a breakfast club provision every day. This is provided at minimum cost and the school extended the opening hours to take more account of working parents in 2017. The school offers after school clubs every night of the week including sports clubs and arts and crafts. Breakfast and after school clubs are provided free to all pupils eligible for pupil premium.

What barriers do we know we will need to overcome?

- ✓ Early Years statutory guidance makes clear that the school would need to operate to the minimum child care ratio set out by the government. This will make extending provision to the youngest pupils in school costly.
- ✓ The school would need to recruit and train a suitably qualified manager for such a provision.
- ✓ The school would need to recruit suitably trained professionals to deliver activities that promote learning and enjoyment.
- ✓ The school would need to recruit enough staff to provide sufficient cover in the event of sickness and absence.
- ✓ The school does not have the necessary funds to provide this service out of the main school budget.
- ✓ The school does not currently have any additional buildings to host an independent provision hosting the club in the main building will affect cleaning and premise schedules.
- ✓ If the school offered food options in the club it would need to ensure staff hold the necessary food hygiene certificates and all necessary risk assessments are carried out.
- ✓ There will be ongoing safeguarding training costs to all staff

Summary of responses

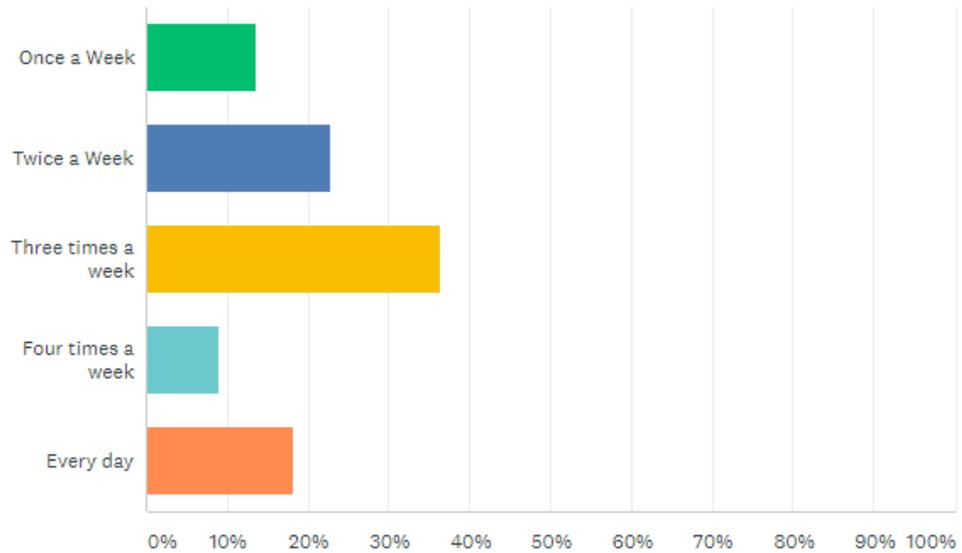
- The school received 22 responses from parents.
- Parents indicated that in the main they would prefer to pay weekly or monthly for after school care
- Parents favoured a completely flexible pick up time
- The responses were very mixed in terms of the level of use of such a facility.



Detailed responses

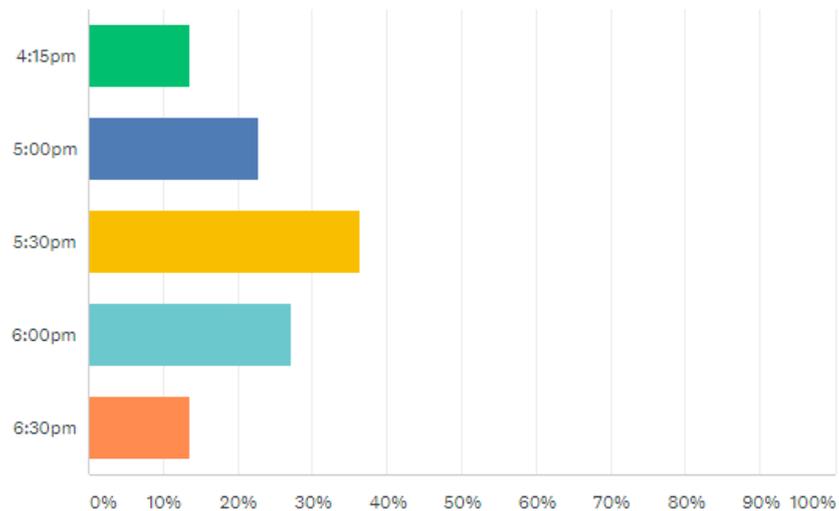
How often would you use an After School Child Care Facility?

Answered: 22 Skipped: 0



What would be your preferred finish time for after school care?

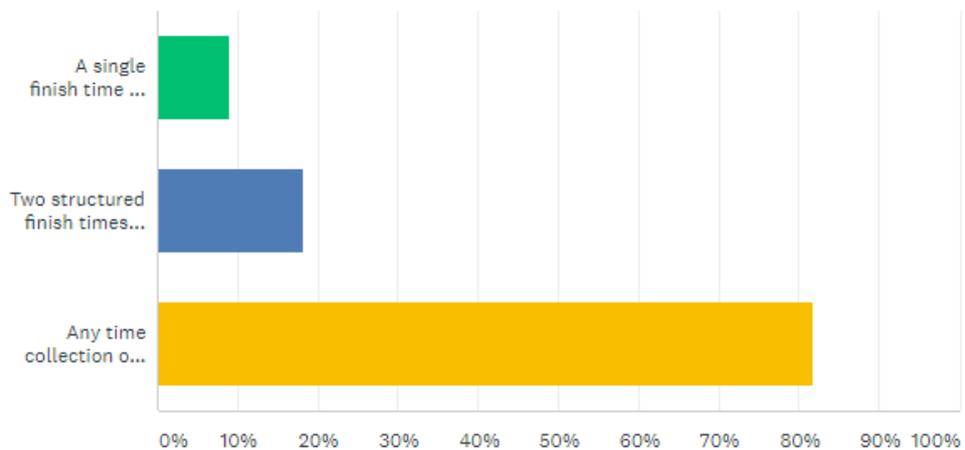
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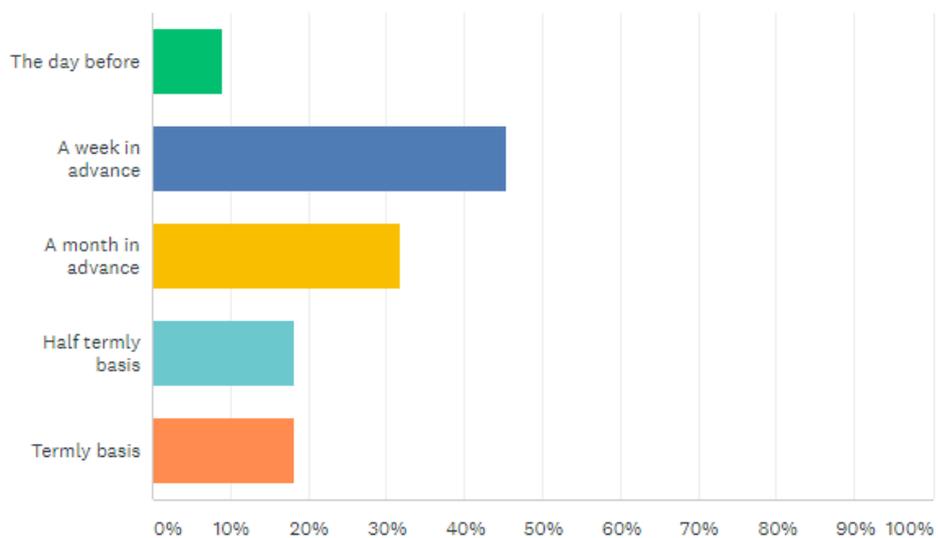
Would you prefer collection times to work?

Answered: 22 Skipped: 0



How far in advance would you be prepared to book?

Answered: 22 Skipped: 0



Conclusions

- ✓ The school received a relatively low response rate. This would indicate that although there is some demand for after school provision such a low response rate means it is highly unlikely such a venture would be financially viable.
- ✓ The survey indicates that there is a large split between the number of times a week such a facility would be utilised again suggesting the facility would not be viable.



- ✓ Since most responses indicated a willingness to provide payment at least a week in advance, it appears likely that a payment system should be relatively straight forward to develop.
- ✓ Although the school may be able to provide a fully flexible pick up time, careful consideration would need to be given to how safeguarding procedures can be established and implemented around monitoring visitors on site.
- ✓ Although the low response rate indicates a lack of viability for the proposal at this moment in time, it is clear there is some demand for the service and the school should consult with parents regularly to check if the level of demand has changed.