

Enniskerry Montessori & Afterschool Care

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<u>Afterschool - Helpful Tips & Information</u>

Please find below some useful information to assist with the smooth running of your child's attendance with us at Enniskerry Afterschool.

What to wear and what to pack?

• Children attend the service directly from school in their uniforms. If you'd prefer them to change while at the Afterschool please pack additional clothes. This avoids uniforms getting overly dirty if using arts & crafts materials or outdoor play in the garden.

Policies & Key Tips to Remember

- For all children in our Afterschool we require an up to date completed 'Child Detail Form' which includes emergency contact details and relevant information pertaining to the child. (If you have not completed these forms you will be asked to complete one on your child's first day).
- Enniskerry Afterschool are registered with the NCS (National Childcare Scheme). This means each child is entitled to a subsidy towards their fees. For further details on how to register with the NCS Click Here
 - When a parent registers their child with the NCS they are awarded an hourly subsidy rate and once the parent provides us with their child's unique valid CHICK number we can then recalculate their reduced monthly fees.
 - o It is the parents responsibility to ensure the CHICK remains valid. If not, <u>FULL</u> fees are required until the CHICK is reactivated.
- There are 2x collection times from "St Mary's & St Gerard's NS" each day (see below) and our service operates from 13:30 to 18:00 Monday to Friday.
 - o **13:30 Collection** Junior & Senior Infants
 - **14:30 Collection** 1st to 4th Class
- Please be punctual on collections as our Afterschool closes promptly at 18:00.
- Please note if the primary school closes earlier than usual or has an unexpected closure, parents will need to drop
 their child into the Afterschool at their normal time and registered day (i.e.13:30 or 14:30). Enniskerry Afterschool
 cannot provide a collection service outside normal listed hours.
- An afternoon snack must be provided from home on a daily basis. At Enniskerry Afterschool we have a healthy
 eating policy so sandwiches, crackers & cheese, fruit and yoghurts are all great choices. No juices permitted, please
 provide only water or milk. Frubes or actimel probiotic drinks are not permitted.
- Some parents provide a small meal from the night before which we can reheat. We also have fruit and toast available should a child require an additional snack.
- Some children are allergic to peanuts/nuts. We request that parents/guardians do not include these in their child's snack.
- Toys from home are NOT accepted and must be left at home. We find that the toys can disengage the child and if they become lost or broken it can cause upset.
- Fees are paid over 10 months (Sept to June) and must be paid on the 1st of each month via bank transfer.
- Children must <u>NOT</u> attend the school if unwell (e.g. a temperature of 38°C or more, vomiting or diarrhoea in the last 48hrs). We must be strict with this policy as it benefits the welfare of ALL children attending the Afterschool.