

# Kids Club Cabin

North Ferriby ~ East Yorkshire



Dear Kids Club Parent/Carer,

I am a member of the Kids Club committee, and I'm writing to give you some information about how Kids Club is run and ask for any support you may be able to provide.

Kids Club is managed by a committee of staff and volunteers. For Kids Club to run in accordance with legislation, the management committee must have a minimum of seven committee members. Any fewer and we would be unable to continue to provide the Kids Club service. Following some recent volunteer departures, we currently have only seven committee members. This means that we are running dangerously low, and if just one of the current committee members were to leave, the club would have to close.

Kids Club is important for us as parents and carers because most of us lead busy lives. For this very reason, it can be difficult to think about giving up precious spare time to volunteer. This means the prospect of signing up to be on the committee may be quite daunting. All of the committee members understand this, and we are supportive and appreciative of one another for giving up our time.

Kids Club Committee members don't need to be parents or carers of children at the school. There may be grandparents or family friends who would like to come along, and they would also be very welcome.

So, what do we need from volunteers? You would need to attend a committee meeting once every six weeks. We hold these in the cabin itself, so it is quite convenient (if you can cope with the tiny chairs!) Meetings generally last for around an hour. There is no expectation or pressure to take up an officer role. All in all, it's not a huge commitment, although there are always opportunities to get involved in tasks around the club for those who feel they have a bit of extra time or energy!

There are good things about being on the committee too! The meetings are friendly affairs (sometimes even with biscuits!) and a nice opportunity to catch up with Karla and Tracey and news of what the kids have been up to. It's also an opportunity to meet other parents or carers - something many of us miss out on as we can't make the school run. We get to make key decisions involving the provision of out-of-school care for our children, including creating and implementing policy and more fun stuff like ideas for fundraising and holiday activities.

So, returning to the point of the letter - this is a plea for your support and time. Without the support of its management committee, Kids Club Cabin will not be able to continue to provide a service. This would be an enormous loss to each of us as parents and carers who need this service to be able to balance our family and other commitments. Please give this some thought, and have a chat with one of us, even if you are unable to give the full commitment. You might want to pop along to a meeting to see how it works to help you decide. Also, please do share this letter with other family members and friends who might be interested.

Thank you for reading! If you would like any more information, please email me on [lottie.griffiths@gmail.com](mailto:lottie.griffiths@gmail.com).

Thanks, Charlotte.