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Dear Families

The weather certainly feels autumnal and we are pleased to announce that after school clubs at Fir Tree will begin next week (week commencing 25th September).

Once again we will be able to offer a range of clubs. As mentioned in previous communications, we, like all schools, face significant financial pressures. In order to meet the staffing costs of running a club, we will be charging £1 per session for netball, comic book, construction and Kahoot! clubs.

Though we are unable to offer the usual range of clubs led by Fir Tree staff, we are excited to announce that we are in talks with another company to run clubs in addition to those mentioned below. These will begin after October half term and we will write to you again with the details of how to book them soon. To ensure we are offering clubs that will interest the children, we would be grateful if you would take a minute to complete a short questionnaire to help us gauge the level of interest and book the right clubs. You can access the survey here: <https://tinyurl.com/2se3t2dx>

There will be a limit of 20 pupils to each club, which may mean that not all children will get a place in a club this time round and we sincerely apologise for this. However there is a robust waiting list system in place so children who are not successful this time will be prioritised next term. Fir Tree-led clubs will not be allocated on a first come first served basis and if we receive more than 20 applications for a club the names will be chosen randomly for fairness. The Premier Education clubs must be booked online and booking closes when the maximum number has been reached.

The clubs we will be able to offer are as follows:

Day	Club	Age range	Time	Adult(s)	Venue	Comments/required kit
Mon	Netball	All	3:30-4:30pm	Miss Millsom	Netball courts	£1 per session PE kit, trainers (£11.00)
Tues	Multi-sports	All	3:30-4:30pm	Premier Education	Field/Hall	£6.45 per session PE kit, trainers (£70.95)
Tues	Construction	All	3:30-4:30pm	Mrs Somarakis	Tbc	£1 per session (£11.00)
Weds	Comic Book	All	3:30-4:30pm	Miss Walton	Tbc	£1 per session (£11.00)
Weds	Football	All	3:30-4:30pm	Premier Education	Field	£6.45 per session PE kit, football boots and shin pads (£70.95)
Weds	Kahoot!	All	3:30-4:30pm	Miss Millsom	Tbc	£1 per session (£11.00)
Thurs	Dodgeball	All	3:30-4:30pm	Premier Education	Field	£6.45 per session PE kit, trainers (£70.95)

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Clubs will start week beginning **Monday 25th September**. If your child would like to join a Premier Education-led club, booking must be done online at <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/19729/?f=before-school>

If your child would like to join a Fir Tree-led club, please complete the slip below and return it to the class teacher or office by **no later than Thursday 21st September**. Your child will be given a club confirmation slip before the end of the week. If booking with Premier Education, you will receive a confirmation email confirming your place directly from them.

If children opt to join a club, they are expected to continue with it unless there is a compelling reason not to, in which case parents should approach me. If a child is unable to attend their club for one week, we ask that parents let the office staff know.

Our expectations of behaviour within clubs is high and we are sure our pupils will do us all proud. However, should a child make poor behavioural choices, we will address this with you.

A polite reminder that we expect children to be collected on time.

Warm regards

Marc Knight

Clubs Permission Slip – Autumn Term 2023

Child's name Class.....

Medical conditions (if any).....

My child would like a place in the following clubs: **(Please tick as appropriate)**

Netball **Kahoot!**

Construction **Comic Book**

Payment: to cover the cost of the club, we are asking for £11 per session. Children who are entitled to free school meals do not need to pay. Please tick one of the options below:

I enclose £11.00 cash or cheque.....

I will pay £11.00 on the School Gateway.....

I acknowledge that I must inform the school office directly if my child is unable to participate in his/her club for any reason **(please tick)**

All children must be collected from clubs by a parent/responsible person.

Signed..... Date.....

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