Sherpa Kids at

Gaelscoil Mhuscraí

Sherpa Kids offers After School Care (ASC) onsite and available to all children attending Gaelscoil Mhuscraí.

**Our programme of activities includes:**

**▲** Arts & Crafts

▲Music & Drama

▲Sports activities Indoor (in the

hall) or Outdoor (weather

permitting)

▲Technology & Science Projects

▲Cooking

▲Homework

▲Reading

▲Free Play & Chill Out time.

**Sherpa Kids means**

▲Well-balanced structured programme

for children, includes healthy

snack, homework time, organised and fun

activities every day

▲Hourly rate – you are not tied in for

any set times

▲ No charge for sick days or extra

holidays

▲ Casual drop-in option available

▲ No travelling involved for you and

your children – we are onsite, in

Gaelscoil Mhuscraí

▲Discounts for siblings & long term

bookings

▲Min FETAC 5, Garda Vetted

childcare professionals with First Aid Training

▲International expertise, adapted

your needs.

**What hours do Sherpa Kids operate?**

**After School Care: 1.30pm - 6.30pm**

Available on all schooldays (hours will vary on half days and Sherpa Kids will facilitate these early closure days. It can be divided into different groups:

**What services do Sherpa Kids Offer?**

**After School Care OPTION 1:**

**1.30pm - 2.30pm only**

**NO MORE PICKING UP TWICE DAILY or HAVE AN EXTRA HOUR SPARE.**

We provided some fruit and a drink, 15 minutes homework time and the remainder of the hour having fun. At 2.30pm the programme co-ordinator will take the kids to the pick-up area and hand them over to an authorised person.

**After School Care OPTION 2:**

**1.30pm or 2.30pm UP TO 6.30pm.**

We offer a truly **FLEXIBLE** service to parents in that you decide what hours you wish your child(ren) to stay and we will only charge you for that time. You are not tied in to a set number of days and/or hours. It is completely at your discretion. We just ask that as much notice is given so that we can accommodate all requests. **After School Care OPTION 3: Emergencies**

Providing Sherpa Kids have received a completed Enrolment Form for each child, then we are happy to take bookings should you get unexpectedly delayed. The charge for this is €6.00 per hour. Please notify the school and advise them that you wish your child to be handed over to Sherpa Kids.

**OTHER: Staff Days, Half Term, End of Term finish**

In addition to the normal school out of hours, we will offer to be open for any staff days, end of term half days or school closure days. However, the only time we will not open is if the teachers are involved in any industrial action affecting the school's opening.

**We will publish our special opening times on the school notice board or within the Sherpa Kids service onsite.**

**We structure our afternoon activities:**

**1.30pm – 2.30pm**

**Roll Call, and free play (snack and homework supervision for option 1 only)**

**2.30– 3:15pm**

**Roll Call older children, wash hands and afternoon tea**

**3:15 – 4.00pm**

**Homework supervision, reading or other quiet activity**

**4:00pm – 5:45pm**

**Themed Activity Time**

**5:45pm – 6.30pm**

**Finishing up projects, free time and ready for home.**

**What do you need to do?**

Simply fill in an enrolment form and either hand it in at the school reception or post it to Sherpa Kids Ireland, Mountain Common, Ardfield, Clonakilty, Co.Cork.

It does not commit you to using the service but it means you can as and when you may need to. We cannot accept children without a completed enrolment form. Forms are available at reception and on our website.

**Our Prices:**

**Regular booking ASC:** €5.00p/h

**Casual booking ASC:** €6.00p/h

**Operating Hours:**

**1.30pm - 6.30pm (Mon-Fri)**

**Contact us**

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**KEY FACTS:**

* Sherpa Kids at Gaelscoil Mhuscraí will provide a flexible after school service within the school premises exclusively for the pupils of the school.
* Services are flexible with drop off and pick up to fit with the requirements of working parents.
* All services are delivered by fully qualified and garda vetted staff in a structured and engaging environment
* After school activities include a healthy snack, homework time, structured themed activities, and plenty of free play time too.
* Prices range from €5.00 to €6.00 per hour depending on whether the booking is a regular or casual one.
* To access the service is easy. Just complete a no obligation enrolment form and let us know when you want to come along.
* We are now planning for the next academic year starting in September 2017. **Please book early to confirm your places as numbers are limited.**

**PARENT TESTIMONIALS**

**"Sherpa Kids in the boy’s school in Clonakilty is very reliable, flexible & fun after school service. My son has been attending for a year, loves it!"**

Nathalie Bellamy, senior accountant

**Our little boy (8) attends Sherpa Kids in Scoil Na mBuachailli’s and our little girl (6) at St Joseph’s.  Both love attending and look forward to it immensely.  As parents, we always feel our kids are safe, well looked after and happy - which is the most important thing.   Sherpa runs a very flexible service which suits perfectly our particular needs, which can vary significantly from week to week.   Undoubtedly though, It is the playfulness and warmth of the staff that makes Sherpa great. - NH**

**Sherpa offers an unrivalled professional service alongside a very happy warm and caring environment. As a parent, it means so much to know my son is safe, happy, stimulated and extremely well cared for......this kind of reassurance is priceless. The patience, understanding and of course welcome smiles of staff members at Sherpa are so appreciated. The staff at Sherpa are always, energetic, attentive, and willing to work individually during homework time with the boys who attend. The systems that is in place, priority to homework, after school snacks and the variety of other activities all contribute to making Sherpa the place my boy wants to be. He often gets annoyed that I am picking him up “too early”. I feel very lucky indeed to have such a creative, fun –filled and "top-class" facility on my doorstep. -**EH

**Happy with sherpa Kids. My boys have been going approx. 4 months and absolutely love it there. Their homework is done every day, they are fed and even get out for a kick around most days. Charlene the facilitator is great. Keep up the good work guys! -MOC**

**My kids adore Sherpa. I only work part time and have an au pair now, so shouldn’t really need it. But they beg. And beg. and beg!**

Parent at Scoil Naomh Eltin.

**The Sherpa Kids service provided by Charlene and Anne Marie is excellent. Our boys are very happy there two afternoons per week, sometimes more if we get delayed at work. They get a snack and are encouraged to complete their homework before playing games and other activities. It is a very affordable service and having it on the school premises is very important to us. I would highly recommend the Sherpa Kids service at Scoil na mBuachailli’s, Clonakilty. -**GC