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Dear Parents and Carers,

It is the time of the year when we go through the budget with a fine toothcomb and making many decisions and changes. During the course of this year school staffing costs have risen sharply and the income we receive for Rainbow Club does not cover these costs. This is problematic as we know how much you value the service and how much the children enjoy coming.

However, we must review the pricing structure to ensure that this is financially viable and to ensure the club's continued success. In doing so I would like to consult with you about what this might look like.

This is the current pricing structure:

Short Session: end of school - 4.30pm	£6.00
Full Session: end of school -5.30pm	£10.00

There are three scenarios which we would like you to choose between.

Scenario		Cost
A	Same structure but prices scaled up to meet costs Short session (ends at 4.30pm) Long session (ends at 5.30pm)	£7.20 for short session £12.00 for long session
B	Flat rate regardless of pick up time. (Finishing at 5.30pm)	£10 per session
C	Source childcare provision at an alternative provider	

The governing board and I have discussed these options as possible solutions. We are unable to offer a later pick-up time of 6pm. This would have a knock-on impact on the premises staff (cleaners etc) which again would increase salary costs.

We are also reviewing the paperwork as we wish to reduce the bureaucracy which was necessary at the start. We will offer parents a choice of how long you would like your contract to run for, rather than renewing termly. We will give you notice of any changes and will consider scaling the increased costs over time to soften the impact on your pocket in the short-term.

Here is the link to the feedback form. Responses are anonymous.

<https://forms.office.com/e/hrNzpfFX4>

Many thanks for your time,

Mrs G. Harvey
Head Teacher

