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Section 2

Good afternoon. My name's Mrs Carter and I run the before and after school (1) ……. I hope you've had a chance to have a good look around the school and talk to staff and pupils. I know that many of you are interested in using our (2) …… when your child joins the school, and perhaps you already know something about it, but for those that don't, I'll go through the main details now.

We offer childcare for children from the ages of (3) ……both before and after school. I know that many parents who work find this service invaluable. You can leave your child with us safe in the knowledge that (4) …….

We are insured to provide care for (5) ……, although we rarely have this many attending at any one session. I think we generally expect around (6) ……for the afternoon sessions and about half that number for (7) …… Although we currently do have 70 children registered with us, not all of these attend every day. It's ten years since we began offering an extended hours service and we've come a long way during that time. When we first opened, we only had about (8) …….

We try to keep our costs as low as we can and we think we (9) ……for money. For the afternoon sessions, which run (10) ……., it's £7.20. But if you prefer, you can pay for one hour only, which costs (11) ……, or two hours which costs (12) …….

The cost of the childcare includes (13) …… They'll be given breakfast in the morning and in the afternoon, a healthy snack as soon as they finish school. At 5 p.m. children are given (14) ……., such as pasta or a casserole. Please inform us of any allergies that your child might have and we'll make sure they're offered (15) ……

As you may know, the childcare service runs through the school holidays (16) ……. We offer a really (17) ……to keep the children entertained – we don't want them to feel as if they are still at school! It will also feel different because they'll get the chance (18) ……. with children from

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other schools – spaces are available for them because a lot of our term-time children don't always (19) ……In the past, parents have asked if children over the age of 11 are allowed to come with their younger brothers and sisters – but I'm afraid we're unable to do this because of the (20) ……we have.

So now let me tell you about some of the activities that your child can do during the after-school sessions. As well as being able to use (21) ……and the library, there is usually at least one 'special' activity that children can do each day. For example, Spanish. We have (22) ……coming in every Thursday to give a basic introduction to the language through (23) …… She does two sessions: one for the over 8s and one for the younger children. This is the only activity which we have to make an extra charge for – but (24) …….

Once a week the children have the opportunity to do some music. We're very lucky that one of our staff is a (25) …… On Mondays, she teaches (26) …… to groups of children. We do rely on (27) ……for this, so if any of you sing or (28) ……and would be prepared to help out at these sessions, we'd be delighted.

Painting continues to be one of (29) …… To begin with we weren't keen on offering this because of the extra mess involved, but children kept asking if they could (30) …… and so we finally gave in. Art is great for helping the children to relax after working hard at school all day.

Yoga is something that we've been meaning to introduce for some time but haven't been able to find anyone available to teach it – until now that is. So we'll see how this goes. Hopefully, (31) …… in all sorts of ways from this.

Cooking is another popular activity. They make a different sort of (32) …… each week. Although the younger children love doing it, we found that the mess was just too much, so we've decided to (33) ……, as they are better able to (34) …….

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