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Dear Parent/Carers

We are writing to you regarding enrichment/club provision at Buckden CE Primary Academy. We have for many years provided enrichment/club opportunities for our pupils. Typically, this has been after school, chargeable and limited in numbers. We are acutely aware that a number of things are changing for families at this time and the significant cost of living crisis that many face is only too real. Whilst as Trustees we are limited in what we can do, we are able to look at ways that we can ease financial burden that is placed on families. With this in mind, we have made the decision to make changes to the delivery of enrichment/clubs.

There are many positives that come with making this decision listed below but key to this is that there is now **no cost to parents/carers**, as well as the following:

- Clubs running for a whole term rather than half a term
- Broader range of clubs
- Clubs for a year group rather than across year groups

Clubs and enrichment will be offered to pupils during lunchtime rather than after school. If parents/carers require childcare provision after school, this will of course still be available through BOSS and if necessary, this will expand to meet this need.

As Trustees, we believe that all children should have the right to attend a club should they wish to do so and this opportunity should not be hindered by cost or ability to get home from school (some pupils have transport to and from school).

There will be a limited number of clubs, such as gardening, which due to the nature of its location means lunchtime is not viable as the allotment will be too far away and will run after school. We hope that by reorganising things this way we can offer more for more pupils, over an extended period of time.

The school will be communicating in the next week, what clubs will be available.

Kind regards

Buckden CE Primary Academy Trustees

