

Report of Childcare Needs - Dolgellau Area

An assessment of the childcare needs of Dolgellau families was held during June and the 4th August 2023.

Parents and families were given the opportunity to complete a questionnaire asking what type of childcare service they needed or will need in the future.

Analysis of Responses

Number of responses: 89

Language of Response:

English: 47 Welsh: 42

Primary School Children attend:

Ysgol Bro Idris – Dinas Mawddwy Site - 1

Ysgol Bro Idris - Dolgellau Site: 46

Ysgol Bro Idris – Friog Site: 2

Ysgol Bro Idris – Llanelltyd Site: 12 Ysgol Bro Idris – Rhyd Y Main Site: 7

None at present: 16

Other: 5

Response to question 1:

Would you be interested in using Childcare provision?

Yes: 67

Already using: 6

No: 16

Current use of Childcare:

Full Day Nursery: 3 Childminder: 1

Cylch Meithrin / Playgroup: 6

After School Club: 0



Response to question 2: What type of childcare they need? Table 1:

Type of provision	Interested	Already using
Morning session (09:00 - 11:00)	20	6
Lunch club (11:00 - 13:00)	17	5
Afternoon session (13:00 - 15:00)	15	7
Full Day Care (08:00 – 18:00)	22	12
After school club (15:00 - 18:00)	58	-
Holiday club (08:00 - 18:00)	52	2

Table 2:- Total interested in all provision every day of the week:

Type of provision	Number Interested					
	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	All
						week
Morning session (09:00 - 11:00)	10	9	10	8	6	13
Lunch club (11:00 - 13:00)	6	4	6	3	4	14
Afternoon session (13:00 - 15:00)	4	3	6	3	4	14
Full Day Care (08:00 – 18:00)	8	9	10	6	5	16
After school club (15:00 - 18:00)	15	16	18	16	8	31

Table 3: Total interested in attending Holiday Club by period:

Holiday Period	Number Interested
Summer	52
Easter	35
Half Terms	33
Christmas	11



Table 4: Total number of children needing places, by type of provision, based on the responses received:

Type of provision	Number of children
Morning session (09:00 - 11:00)	23
Lunch club (11:00 - 13:00)	17
Afternoon session (13:00 - 15:00)	15
Full Day Care (08:00 – 18:00)	39
After school club (15:00 - 18:00)	72
Holiday club (08:00 - 18:00)	68

Table 5: Child / Children's Age

Oedran	Number
0 -2 years	28
2 – 2 ½ years	12
3 – 4 years (not attending school full time)	11
4 – 12 years (attending school full time)	44

Table 6: Aware of the financial support available to help towards childcare costs:

Aware	Number
Yes	49
No	12
Aware of some	12
Did not respond:	16

Table 7: If you received financial support with childcare costs, how much do you think you would be willing to pay OR could you afford to pay?

Type of Provision	Less na £5	£5 - £10	£10 - £20	£20 +
Morning / Afternoon	-	27	7	1
Lunch Club	-	19	3	-
Full Daycare	-	2	7	27
After School Club	-	52	6	-
Holiday Club	-	11	25	15



Table 8: Are you eligible for the Childcare Offer for Wales?

	Childcare Offer for Wales
Yes	20
No	20
Not Sure	31
Did not respond:	18

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