



Statement of Purpose for CSSIW registration for full-day care

XLWales is an educational charity, which has previously operated successful full day-care provision for children during the school holidays since 1998 at the Young Inventors' Club based in Oystermouth Primary School, Mumbles.

Due to funding issues in 2003, XLWales were unable to open the club. However we reopened in July 2004 and have operated during all school holidays excluding Christmas since.

We aim to provide full day-care from 8am - 6pm Monday to Sunday. The specific objectives of the Holiday Club are:

- ↳ To provide enjoyable hands-on experience via Invention & Discovery challenges, arts & crafts and sport.
- ↳ To help children with special needs enjoy and benefit from the activities in a truly integrated way.
- ↳ To assist parent who are working or seeking to return to work (particularly lone parents), by providing all-day care facilitates during the school holidays.

The main club runs from 9am - 4.30pm with an option of an early and late club available from 8am - 6pm.

Up to 64 children aged 4-11 can be accommodated at any one time, with a maximum of 48 under 8's. A minimum-staffing ratio of 1 staff member for 8 children is maintained at all times, with the minimum number of staff present being two.

The club's primary language is English, however, when possible welsh speaking staff are employed. We do not provide a Welsh language service.

XLWales can cater for children with special needs. We will discuss individual children's needs with parents prior to their attendance and assess their requirements. Parents will also fill in our 'All about me' form. Where necessary and possible we will provide 1:1 support.

XLWales operates a non-exclusive admissions policy; ensuring children from all backgrounds and needs are welcome.

The challenges will make full use of the premises including the large playground. During good weather, outdoor activities will be available. The Invention & Discovery challenges cover the subject areas of: Science, Design, Technology and Maths and the life skills areas of: Innovation, Problem-solving, Investigation, Team-working, Communication and a 'can-do' approach.

Daily Schedule			
8.00 - 9.00	Early club	12.30 - 1.30	Lunch and playtime
9.00 - 10.00	Registration	1.30 - 3.00	Challenge 2
9.40 - 10.00	Group time	3.00 - 4.00	Break and games
10.00 - 11.00	Break and games	4.00 - 4.30	Collection
11.00 - 12.30	Challenge 1	4.30 - 6.00	Late club

Please note that even older children must be collected - we cannot allow them to leave the Club and walk home unaccompanied. Please inform the Club Manager taking the register in the morning if you need to collect your children early, or if anyone other than the named parent/guardian will be collecting your children. (They may be required to show I.D)

If a parent wishes to make a complaint then the manager will fill in a complaint form with the parent and forward it to their line manager. If the parent wishes to make a complaint or discuss anything with CSSIW, XLWales provides contact information for CSSIW in our 'Information for Parents' booklet and display it on site.