

Information for Parents and Guardians

Games Wednesday, for 7 and over



2.30 - 4.pm at the

Free Church.

Mill Rd.

Please wear trainers and suitable
clothes

BBQ and games on the beach

Thursday 6 till 8:30pm for the 11+ group
and any adults who would like to join us.



After Beach Club on Friday there will be a

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Bring your lunch, we will supply the drinks.



INFORMATION for Parents & Guardians

Please register your child/children on arrival each day at the table as you enter the beach area.

All Beach Club staff members will be wearing identification. Point of contact for first aid is registration.

Coffee and tea will be served after the children have gone to their groups. At the end of the event the children will be offered a drink and biscuit. Water will be available in their groups, if the weather is hot.

It must be understood that the beach can be a dangerous place and you the parent/guardian would be expected to take responsibility along with the staff at Beach Club for your own child/children.

We will do all we reasonably can to protect you and your children from harm, but you should realise that the risks covered in the risk assessment may not cover every possible situation that may occur.

Common sense and caution would be expected from every parent/guardian attending Beach Club.

If an event occurs to put anyone at risk we will endeavour to find out how the event happened and will alter our risk assessment if necessary.

A copy of the Risk Assessment is available to read, contact registration.

The WE referred to in the risk assessment are the 'Steering Group' for Beach Club. Andrew French, Lesley Board, Jackie Pantry, Kevin Flint, Steven and Margaret Gaunt, Sue Hammond and Jenny Hughes. Information 01206 382380

Wet weather policy.

If it rains early morning and/or at the start of Beach Club, we will move to the Free Church, 32 Mill Rd CO5 8RJ. This may mean that we start slightly later than planned. If we know in advance we are moving we will post on merseabeach.club. If it rains hard whilst we are on the beach for safety reasons Beach club will close and children will need to be collected by parents / guardians immediately.

Child and Vulnerable Adult Protection Policy Statement

We commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially children and vulnerable adults. It is our responsibility to create a safe environment where children and vulnerable adults are valued and respected. It is also the responsibility of each of us to prevent the physical, sexual and emotional abuse of children and vulnerable adults, and to report any abuse discovered or suspected to an approved Child and Vulnerable Adult Advocate. Each worker knows the recommendations and has undertaken to observe them.

Children and vulnerable adults have much to give as well as receive. We will listen to them and as we nurture them in worship, learning and community life we will respect their wishes and feelings.

All beach club workers are of good standing and where possible have undergone a Disclosure & Barring Service check and have the commendation of a local Church. The names of our child advocates are displayed on the door of the refreshment hut, or you can speak to your child's group leader.

'Place of safety' policy.

If an emergency occurs our place of safety is the breakwater to the west of the beach club site. If the risk means this is not the safest place to gather, go to the breakwater to the east of the beach club site.

More details on the 'In the event of an Emergency' poster on the hut door.

Photograph Policy

With regard to those parents/guardians who do not want their young people photographed or videoed, the Beach Club Committee Members and leaders will ensure that no official photographs or videos are taken of them. However, the event takes place on a public beach and other parents and guardians have access to cameras and phones and we cannot be held responsible for their actions.

If you as parents / guardian take pictures at Beach Club that include other peoples' children please could you **NOT** upload them to social media sites.

Privacy Policy

For data protection purposes Mersea Beach Club has the following Privacy statement—which you the parent / guardian accept.

The data we hold includes names, addresses, ages, medical information and emergency contact information.

We hold this information for the duration of Beach Club and to December of the same year if you consent to your child receiving a Christmas Card. This information is stored as your registration form which is kept in a locked cabinet and destroyed after the cards are sent or immediately after beach club if you have requested no card.