

**Extended Services for the Vale of Belvoir 2009 to 2011**

As you are all hearing about the extended services initiatives from various sources, we thought that this would be a good time to clarify what extended services/schools actually are!

The core offer detailed below applies to a cluster of schools, in our case all the schools that feed Belvoir High School. As you will appreciate our rural setting will impact on our solutions, we have to address rural isolation, transport and viability issues creatively!

**The Core Offer (to be in place by 2011)**

- High quality childcare
- A varied menu of activities
- Parenting support
- Swift access to specialist services
- Community access to schools

The Every Child Matters agenda will also impact on our extended services, ensuring that children stay safe, healthy, enjoy and achieve, make a positive contribution and achieve economic wellbeing.

Our website ***belvoirmeltoninsight*** will form a central part of our plan.

We will consult every community to find out what is going on and where the gaps are. Our website will give us the opportunity to disseminate information, support and advice, and the community the opportunity to give us information and vital feedback.

As the website and our extended services evolve, we will be able to target our resources more efficiently in areas of greatest need.

**Every school is not expected to offer every part of the core offer, the cluster will aim to address the core offer collectively!**

**Extended schools is not simply about before and after school clubs and activities, they form a part of the core offer!**

We look forward to developing our extended services in the Vale!