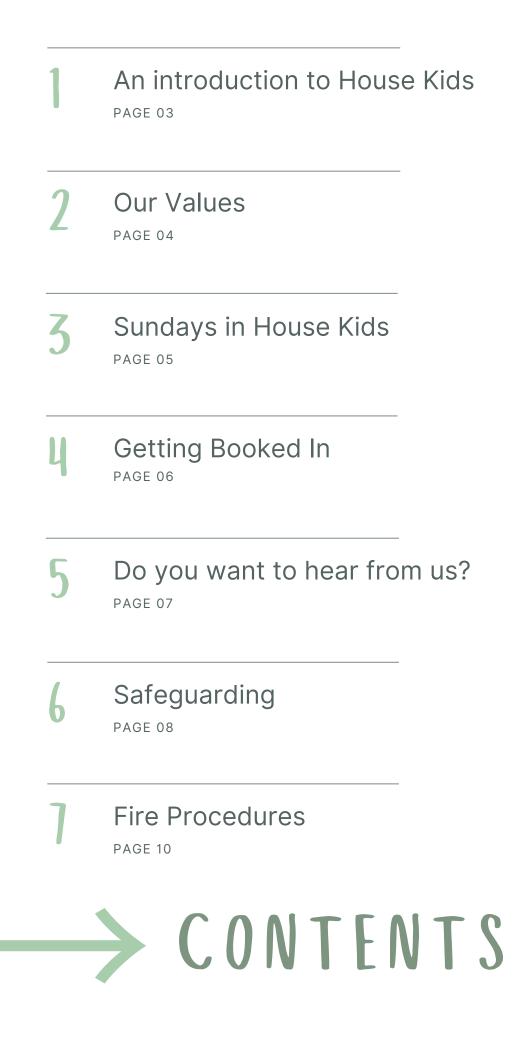
WELCOME TO HOUSE OF LIDS

In this booklet you will find information about our Kids ministry at House.

For any more info or to get a chat with our Kids Pastor, please email brooke@housechurchni.com



"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." MATTHEW 19:14.



Who are **HOUSE KIDS**

At House we are committed to creating a safe environment, with age specific programmes, for our kids to make friendships, have fun at Church and to know they are loved by their Heavenly Father who sent His Son to die for them.

Family Worship

Every other week we love to gather the whole church family, to start our Sunday service in worship. Please check in your child before coming into the main auditorium. After a few songs, it's time for the kids to head to Kids ministry.



KIDS PASTOR Brooke Paterson

KIDS WORKER Shannon Martin



Our VALUES

I am a good listener I am kind I am generous I will think of others

Every child is unique and therefore all children will learn and experience things differently, this includes when being in House Kids. We always want to provide a safe environment for all kids and their leaders so when a child is struggling to uphold our House Kids values we will care for them by following the steps within the pdf attached. Please click on the link and read the document for more information.

Our steps for behaviour management

SUNDAYS

When you arrive on Sunday morning, head to our House Kids check in station and sign in your child. Our check in opens at 10.40am and our team will be on hand to then direct you to the appropriate kids room where you will drop off your child for the service. At the end of the service please pick up your child from the same room.

DREAMERS - AGE 1&2

Room 115 A fun environment designed to teach the Bible through song, story time, and crafts.

ADVENTURERS - P1 - P4

Room 113

A time of connection with friends, worship and age specific Bible teaching. Our programme is designed with various 'Learning through Play' stations, interactive quizzes and games, all to aid the child's level of understanding.

EXPLORERS - AGE 3&4

Room 220 A fun environment designed to teach the Bible through song, story time, and crafts.

PIONEERS - P5 - P7

Room 218

A morning in Pioneers begins by joining our main church service in a time of worship. In their room we have connect games followed by age specific bible teaching, and small-group time which provides an opportunity for the kids to discuss how they may apply the bible teaching to their own lives.

BOOKINGS

House Kids runs alongside our main church service. You can book your kids into our rooms online prior to a Sunday through the church calendar on our website -<u>www.housechurchni.com</u>.

To ensure the safety of our kids and teams, and the quality of the programs we provide, we maintain appropriate adult to child ratios which dictate how many children we can facilitate in each room. Spaces are allocated on a first come first served basis. If you are unable to get your child booked in because the room is fully booked please let us know by emailing <u>kids@housechurchni.com</u> as we can then put your child's name on the waiting list and let you know when a space becomes available.



CHECK IN MANAGER

Jordan Paterson

DO YOU WANT TO HEAR FROM US?

If you want to be kept up to date with all that is happening in House Kids, please sign up to our mailing list.

Name:

Email Address:

Signed: _____

Please return this page to a member of the kids team once signed.

If you want to read our GDPR policy, please head to the Governance section of our website.

Our **SAFEGUARDING** Team



SAFEGUARDING OFFICER Natalie Porter



DEPUTY SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Suzanne Gillespe



SAFEGUARDING ADMIN

Debbie Taylor

Our SAFEGUARDING Policy

To ensure we are creating a welcoming a safe environment for your child we have a number of procedures in place.

1) Every House Kids volunteer and kids staff members, over the age of 18, undergoes an Enhanced (with barred list check) AccessNI check. More recently we have also added the obligation to supply two character references.

2) Every week we remind our team of 3 key safeguarding points:

- We want all kids in House Church to be treated in a safe and cared for environment.
- If you have any concerns about the welfare of a child or if a child makes a disclosure about something bad happening to them, you must report that to the Safeguarding team through the Service Leader.
- It is also important that you keep yourself safe too, so you must ensure that you are never on your own with a child where a child can make an allegation about you.

3) Twice a year we run Child Safeguarding Training which is essential for every volunteer and staff member to complete. We also insist on refresher training every 3 years.

4) We also have a number of our Kids Volunteers and Church Staff team trained in First Aid.

If you would like access to our full safeguarding policy please head to our website at: <u>https://www.housechurchni.com/policy-</u> <u>booklets</u>

Our FIRE PROCEDURES for House Kids

As a parent of our Kids Ministry, we wanted to put your mind at ease and reassure you that we have thought through many different possibilities of things that may happen while your kids are in our care.

For your interest we have included our Fire Procedures below. Although we are grateful that it is extremely unlikely that we will ever have to put this into practice due to how our building is designed and the safety features that are installed. Nevertheless, it is good to be prepared even for the most unlikely situation, so please check out our procedure below.

Step 1 – If the alarm goes off, it will be silenced until a security member checks if it is a false alarm. Don't panic, our team will let the kids know we are checking it out.

Step 2 - If a security team member confirms it is a fire, our kids leaders will lift their name badge pages and make their way in a safe, slow and calm way with the kids to the back car park by the back fence.

In our Dreamers and Explorers rooms, the Kids Co-ordinator or security members will come and help with the kids. Our team will count all the kids and make sure this matches the name badge list.

Step 3 - Parents may go to the back car park to be with their kids if they wish to and can sign their child out with the kids room leader.



WE HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON

