

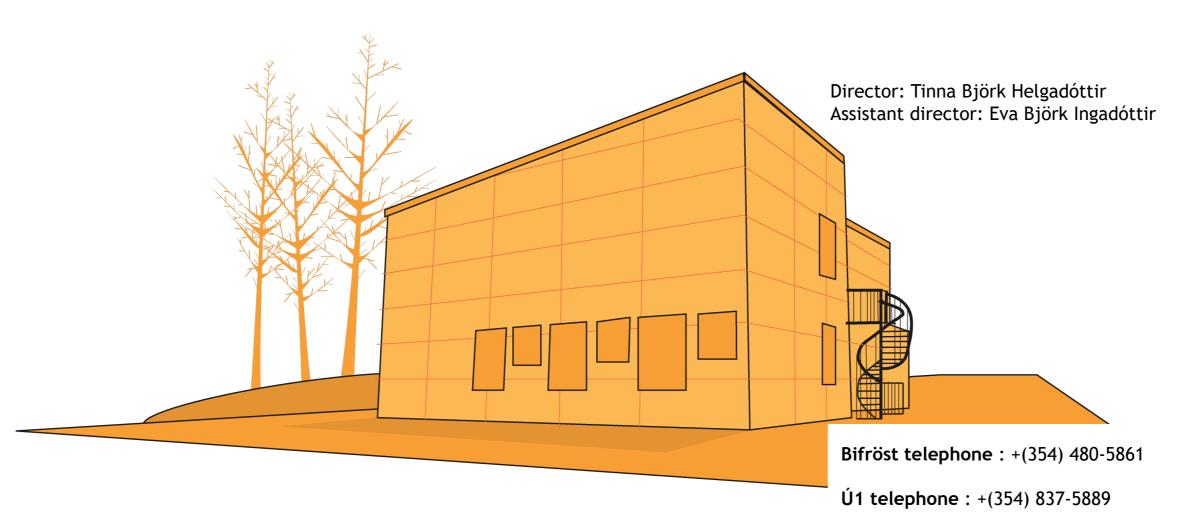
PARENTS MANUAL

ABOUT BIFRÖST

Frístundaheimilið Bifröst is a leisure center for children in 1. - 4. grade. We open at 13:00 from monday throughout friday and close 16:30.

The center is located in two places, 1.-2. grade in Bifröst by Tryggvagata 23b and 3.-4.bekkur at Ú1 classroom in Vallaskóli by Sólvellir 2.

Our main goal is the wellbeing of the children and that they can enjoy themselves while playing in a safe environment.



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REGISTRATION

The after-school centers of Árborg use a registration system called Vala. There you are able to apply for a stay in the after-school center and in a special parent's account you can change the stay duration, register any extracurricular activities and more. To access Vala you have to go through "mín Árborg" on the municipality's website. On the left side of the page there is a link called "frístundaheimili Árborgar" and from there you can access Vala with "íslykill" or an electronic ID via phone number. (See further instructions in addition)

Please note that any changes to stay duration or discontinuement must be notified to Bifröst before the 20th of each month so the change will be activated on the 1st of the next month. If notification of change is sent after the 19th of that month the change will not be valid until the 1st of the month after the upcoming month. The same applies to applications for a new child.

LONGER STAY

A longer stay is available in most cases when the school has preparation days and parental interviews, and registered children can on those days stay in the after-school center the entire day. Longer stay is also available around Christmas and Easter. To apply for a longer stay you need to register the child through Vala when registration is advertised. The fee per day in longer stay is 2498kr ISK for the time before noon in addition to the regular fee. Longer stays are advertised via email when the registration has been open.

Please note that Bifröst after-school center is closed during autumn vacation, winter vacation, on preparation days and bank holidays. (See calendar in addition)

COMMUNICATIONS

It's very important that notifications come from legal guardians. We do not accept the words of the children when it comes to notifying absence, visiting their friends and information about who picks the child up etc. Any cases of the child going home to play with a friend has to be planned and notified to us beforehand since it's not permitted for the children to utilize the center's phone to grant such requests.

When parents/guardians pick up the children they must alert a member of the center's staff that handles the checking them off a list so that we have a proper overview of which children have already left.

If a parent/guardian needs to have a word with the directors of the center it's best to be in contact with them before 12:00 since the directors are in most cases in the office during the mornings. It's always available to send emails to the office. We try our best to send out a confirmation email that your email has been received.

We kindly ask parents/guardians to notify us if any changes have been made on their emails, phone numbers or other vital information. It's also appropriate to notify us about any changes in the family situations since such changes can affect the wellbeing of children that it regards.

Please note that we do not give medicine in the center.

We are always pleased to see you and you are more than welcome to look inside and see your children during play.

ABSENCE

If by any means your child has to be absent we kindly ask parents/guardians to notify us before 12:00 on that day, to prevent unnecessary worries and time that goes into searching for a lost child. (see procedure in addition).

ADMISSION FEES FOR ÁRBORGS LEISURE CENTERS

from 1. january 2022

Service	Participation	Refreshments	Total
5 day stay	16.653 kr	4.808 kr	21.461 kr
4 day stay	13.580 kr	3.850 kr	17.430 kr
3 day stay	10.482 kr	2.881 kr	13.363 kr
2 day stay	7.395 kr	1.938 kr	9.333 kr
1 day stay	4.297 kr	982 kr	5.279 kr
Longer stay	2.498 kr	-	2.498 kr

HANDY INFORMATION ABOUT SERVICES AND FEES

Sibling discount is valid between kindergartens, after-school centers, longer stay and daycares. The sibling discount is 50% with a second child and 100% with the third child. The discount is always calculated on the oldest child. The discount is exclusively granted on the admission fee in the after-school center. It's mandatory that the children have the same legal domicile and family number in national register.

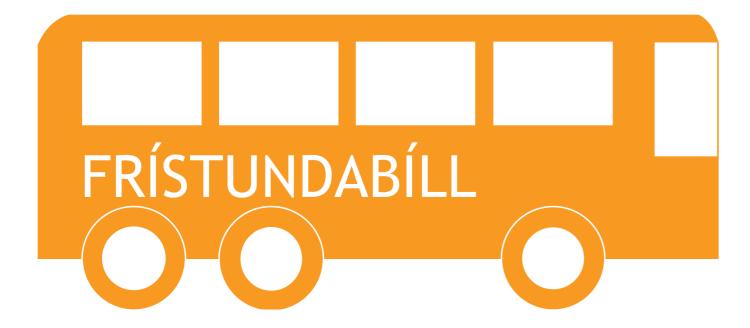
Admission
is valid for one
school year at a time
(August - June). If you wish to
discontinue stay or change the
current amount of days per week
or time duration, it needs to be
applied for no later than the
19th of each month so that the
change will be activated in
the beginning of the
next month.

from 8:00-12:00 during longer stays (referring to our opening hours during school vacations) an additional charge of 2.498kr per day. A special registration is advertised via email when available. It's also an option to register children after noon on those days even if the child is not usually registered on that particular weekday for the same fee as before noon. Registrations for longer stays are binding and we do not offer sibling discounts for that additional registration.

LEISURE

If a child is signed up for extracurricular activities within the timeframe they're registered in Bifröst leisure center, we can send them off to the activity on time, either via leisure bus (frístundabíll) or foot. Regardless, it's completely the responsibility of the parents/guardians to notify us about the time and location of their child's extracurricular as well as to notify us about any absence that might occur. (See registration of extracurricular activities in addition) Should a child return back to the center after practice, it's mandatory to notify us about it.

Should a child utilize the leisure bus, we will need to be informed about that. It's worth noting that the leisure bus is a service provided by Árborg municipality and parent's responsibility to teach their children how to utilize it.

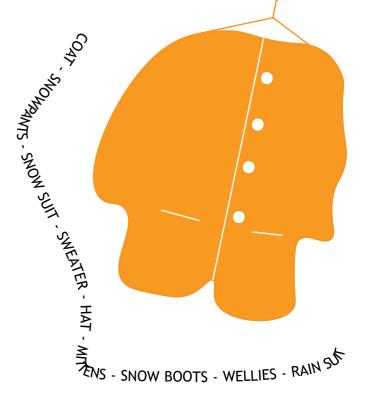


Should an extracurricular activity be cancelled it's fully expected that parents/guardians notify the center since that type of information does not come to us from any other source.

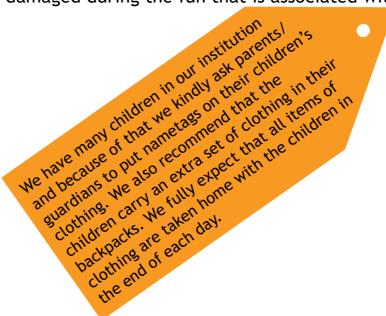
CLOTHING

In Bifröst we go outside and play each day. Because of that it's important that the children are dressed appropriately according to weather conditions so that they can participate in our activities. If a child has been sick and parents/guardians wish for their child to stay inside during outside play, we expect parents to notify us about it by sending us an email or call before 12:00 the same day.

Please note that if the children show up with a bicycle, a scooter, toys, money, a cellphone, etc. we relinquish any responsibility of any damage or loss of those types of items.



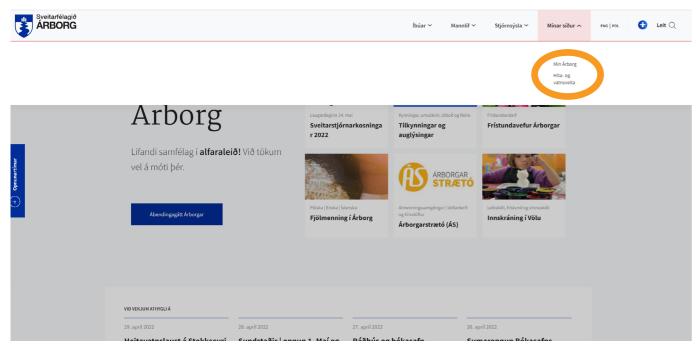
On special days such as Halloween and ash Wednesday, costumes and any extra accessories are the responsibility of the children. We recommend that accessories are left at home since it's frequent that those items get lost or damaged during the fun that is associated with these days.



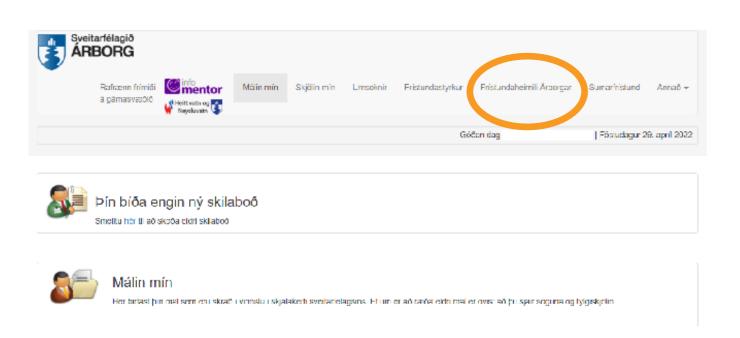
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REGISTERING FOR THE LEISURE CENTER - INSTRUCTIONS

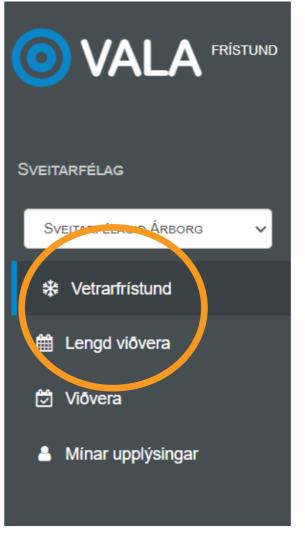
On arborg.is you click Minar siður, then Min Árborg. There you have to log in with "islykill" or electronic ID.



On "Mín Árborg" there is a link on the right hand side that's called "Frístundaheimili Árborgar". That link directs parents/guardians to the registration system Vala.



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REGISTERING LEISTURES AND EXTRACURRICULARS - INSTRUCTIONS In Vala you'll find the button "Vetrarfristund." There you'll oversee all your current registartions. From there you click on "skoða vistun", "skrá tómstundir" and then "breyta skráningu". That way you can register extracurriculars in the system, change information about leistures or delete them.

LONGER STAY - INSTRUCTIONS

When registration for longer stay is available, parents and guardians will be notified via email. Overlook for possibilities of longer stay is accesible in Vala on a butten called "Lengd viðvera" Athugið að skráning í lengda viðveru felur í sér auka kostnað ofan á grunngjald Frístundar. Finna má verð í gjaldskránni.

Unfortunately, the municipality's English version of the website www.arborg.is is still under construction. Vala does not currently offer an English option in their system. If that causes any complications you are more than welcome to contact us for assistance with applications.

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All the children are registered on an attendence list. We kindly ask parents / guardians to report absence such as sick days or vacations to the center via phonecall or email in the morning. A member **CHILD DOES** of staff carefully marks in our when a child shows up. If a child is absent, a member of staff checks in with the school reception for an **NOT SHOW UP** absence notification, but calls guardians if it's the summer leisure center. A member of staff searches the area both inside and outside on the center's property. On each location we have a checklist of places that we follow through that type of search. **SEARCH FOR CHILD** The child gets a lecture about the importance of showing YES up on time to the leisure center to be marked present. The IS TH CHILD FOUND? parents are informed that the child has been found safe. NO Parents are informed that the child is nowhere to be found in the PARENTS/ GUARDIANS school or leisure center area. ARE CONTACTED The search is repeated in consultation with parents / guardians. A member of staff participates in the search in the nearest **SEARCH IS REPEATED** enviroment around the leisure center area. Parents / guardians are asked to check if the chid has gone home. Involved members are required to inform each other about how the search is going. It's very important to be clear in communications with the police and give up accurate information about where the call is coming POLICE IS CONTACTED form, who is calling, why the call is being made etc. An assessment shall be made for each case for how long the member of staff IN CONSULTATION WITH participates in the search. Shall it happen repeatedly that a child does not show up to the PARENTS / GUARDIANS

center, guardians and members of staff will have to speak to

resolve the problem.

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DAY	Bifröst	SCHOOL	NOTES
23.8.2022	LONGER STAY	School opening	
30.9.2022	CLOSED	Autumn meeting KS / preperation day	
13.10.2022	CLOSED	Autumn vacation	
14.10.2022	CLOSED	Autumn vacation	
31.10.2022	LONGER STAY	Preperation day	Open 7:45 - 16:30
1.11.2022	LONGER STAY	Parents day	Open 7:45 - 16:30
20.12.2022	LONGER STAY	Little christmas	Open 7:45 - 16:30
21.12.2022	LONGER STAY	Christmas vacation	Open 8:00 - 16:30
22.12.2022	LONGER STAY	Christmas vacation	Open 8:00 - 16:30
23.12.2022	LONGER STAY	Christmas vacation	Open 8:00 - 16:30
27.12.2022	LONGER STAY	Christmas vacation	Open 8:00 - 16:30
28.12.2022	LONGER STAY	Christmas vacation	Open 8:00 - 16:30
29.12.2022	LONGER STAY	Christmas vacation	Open 8:00 - 16:30
30.12.2022	LONGER STAY	Christmas vacation	Open 8:00 - 16:30
2.1.2023	LONGER STAY	Christmas vacation	Open 8:00 - 16:30
2.2.2023	LONGER STAY	Preperation day	Open 7:45 - 16:30
3.2.2023	LONGER STAY	Parents day	Open 7:45 - 16:30
27.2.2023	CLOSED	Winter vacation	
28.2.2023	CLOSED	Winter vacation	
3.4.2023	LONGER STAY	Easter vacation	Open 8:00 - 16:30
4.4.2023	LONGER STAY	Easter vacation	Open 8:00 - 16:30
5.4.2023	LONGER STAY	Easter vacation	Open 8:00 - 16:30
6.4.2023	CLOSED	Easter vacation	
7.4.2023	CLOSED	Easter vacation	
10.4.2023	CLOSED	Easter vacation	
20.4.2023	CLOSED	First day of summer	
1.5.2023	CLOSED	Labour day	
18.5.2023	CLOSED	Ascension day	
22.5.2023	LONGER STAY	Preperation day	Open 7:45 - 16:30
29.5.2023	CLOSED	Whit monday	
7.6.2023	LONGER STAY	Last day of school	Open 7:45 - 16:30
8.6.2023	LONGER STAY	Preperation day	Open 7:45 - 16:30
9.6.2023	CLOSED	Preperation day	
12.6.2023	Summer leisture	Summer vacation	

You need to register your child seperatly for the days that are marked as longer stay. That costs an additional 2.498 kr. for the time before noon.

Parents/guardians need to access their Vala account to register a child for longer stay.

We send out an email to remind parents/guardians when registration is open.

Preperation day for the staff of Bifröst will be advertised later on.

HLUTVERK | FRÍSTUNDAHEIMILA

Meginhlutverk frístundaheimila fyrir 6-9 ára börn er að bjóða þeim innihaldsríkt frístunda- og tómstundastarf í barnvænu og skapandi umhverfi þar sem starfshættir einkennast af frjálsum leik og vali.

LEIÐARLJÓS FRÍSTUNDA- HEIMILA	 Að bjóða öllum börnum þátttöku í fjölbreyttu frístunda- og tómstundastarfi án aðgreiningar með það að markmiði að ella sjálfstraust og félagsfærni þeirra. 				 Umhverfi starfsins einkennist af öryggi, fagmennsku og virðingu þar sem jákvæð samskipti og lýðræðislegir starfshættir eru í há- vegum hafðir í samræmi við Barnasáttmála Sameinuðu þjóðanna. 				
BÖRNIN Á FRÍSTUNDA- HEIMILINU	MARKMIÐ	1	Börnum líður vel og eru örugg, heilbrigð og glöð	2	Börnin hafa sterka sjálfsmynd og félagsfærni	3	Börnin eru virkir þátttakendur og hafa jöfn tækifæri til að hafa áhrif á starfið og aðstæður	4	Börnin eru áhugasöm um starfið og styrkur þeirra fær að njóta sín
	VIÐMIÐ UM GÆÐI	а	Í frístundastarfinu finna börn til öryggis í öllu starfi	а	Í frístundastarfinu er unnið að því að rækta hæfileika barna til tjáningar og sköpunar í þeim tilgangi að styrkja sjálfsmynd þeirra og samskiptahæfni	а	Leitað er eftir sjónarmiðum barna þegar teknar eru ákvarðanir um starfið	а	Starfið tekur mið af aldri og þroska barna
		b	Í frístundastarfinu er unnið gegn andfélagslegri hegðun í hverju svo sem hún kann að birtast svo sem eineiti, öðru ofbelði, niðurlægingu og kynbundinni og annars konar mismunun til að tryggja almenna velferð barna	b	Jafnrétti er lykilþáttur í öllu starfi þannig að allir fái að njóta sín á eigin forsendum í samfélagi gagnkvæmrar virðingar án mismununar	b	Frjálsum leik barna er gefið gott svigrúm	b	Í frístundastarfinu er lögð áhersla á styrk barna og áhuga
	>	С	Í frístundastarfinu er hlúð að börnum í samræmi við þarfir og þroska hvers og eins svo að börnin fái notið bernsku sinnar	С	Í frístundastarfinu fá börnin tækifæri til að skiptast á skoðunum við önnur börn og fullorðna, miðla málum og finna sameiginlegar lausnir	С	Börnin hafa daglega val um fjölbreytt og ögrandi viðfangsefni og taka þátt í að móta þau í samstarfi við starfsfólk	С	Börn sýna áhuga á því að sækja frístundaheimilið
STARFS- HÆTTIR OG VIÐFANGS- EFNI	MARKMIÐ	5	Virkt samstarf er við foreldra, skóla, íþrótta- og æskulýðsfélög og aðra í grenndarsamfélaginu	6	Starfsumhverfið er án aðgreiningar og einkennist af hlýju, öryggi og virðingu	7	Viðfangsefnin eru fjölbreytt og skapandi og mótast af áhuga barna og þroska þeirra	8	Lýðræðislegir starfshættir, frumkvæði barna, val og frjáls leikur eru ríkjandi
	GÆÐI	а	Forstöðumaður leitar virks samráðs við skólastjóra,starfsfólk skóla, foreldra, forstöðumenn íþrótta- og æskulýðsfélaga og listaskóla um sameiginleg málefni	а	Fullt aðgengi er fyrir öll börn að starfinu	а	Börnin eru hvött til að vera forvitin og takast á við fjölbreytt og krefjandi verkefni, þar sem náttúra og nærumhverfi eru nýtt sem vettvangur leiks og starfs	а	Skipulega er unnið með lýðræði í starfi með börnunum
		b	Foreldrar eru ánægðir með viðfangsefni barnanna	b	Sérhvert barn tekur þátt í dagskrá og nýtur samveru með öllum börnum	b	Boðið er upp á smiðjur og fræðslu um tiltekin málefni, þar sem áhersla er lögð á skapandi starf og listsköpun	b	Börnin eru hvött til að koma með eigin hugmyndir að viðfangsefnum og þau studd í útfærslu og framkvæmd þeirra
		С	Foreldrar eru ánægðir með samskiptin við starfsfólk	C	Börn fá viðeigandi stuðning við allt starf	C	Útívera og viðburðir eru reglubundnir þættir í frístundastarfinu	C	Börn eru hvött til að tjá skoðanir sínar á markvissan og uppbyggilegan hátt
	MARKMIÐ	9	Sveitarfélag mótar stefnu um frístundaheimili og stuðlar að fagþróun starfsins	10	Uppeldismenntaður forstöðu- maður stýrir starfseminni og veitir faglega forystu	11	. Starfsfólk er hæft og hefur frum- kvæði að því að nýta áhugamál sín og þekkingu í starfi	12	Starfsfólk er jákvætt í samskiptum og kemur fram við öll börn af virðingu og umhyggju
MANNAUÐUR OG FAGLEGT STARF		а	Sveitarfélagið veitir viðeigandi fræðslu til nýrra starfsmanna frístundaheimilis, hvetur til og skapar aðstæður til starfsþróunar	а	Forstöðumaður hefur forystu um mótun frístundastarfsins og leitast við að innleiða faglega starfshætti	а	Starfsfólk tryggir börnunum fjölbreytt og uppbyggileg viðfangsefni	а	Starfsfólk kemur vel til móts við þarfir einstakra barna þannig að margbreytileiki í barnahópnum nýtur sín
	ИРМІР ИМ СЕРІ	b	Sveitarfélag stuðlar að þróun og ný- breytni í samstarfi við hagsmunaaðila; börnin, foreldra, starfsfélk og grenndar- samfélagið	b	Við ráðningar skal liggja fyrir sakavottorð, sem snýr að ofbeldi eða misnotkun eða heimild forstöðumanns til að afla upplýsinga úr sakaskrá	b	Starfsfólk er ánægt í starfi og telur hæfni sína og þekkingu vel nýtta	b	Samskipti starfslólks við börnin og hvert annað einkennast af umhyggjusemi, þolinmæði og lausnarmiðun
	>	С	Sveitarfélag stendur fyrir mati á starfsemi frístundaheimila	C	Forstödumaður virkjar starfsfólk, börn og aðra hagsmunaaðila við mótun þjónustunnar	C	Startsfólk vinnur saman að útfærslu viðfangsefna	C	Starfsfólk hrósar og hvetur hvert annað og börnin
	MARKMIÐ	13	Skilvirk upplýsinga- og samskipta- tækni styður við starlsemina á fjölbreyttan hátt	14	Starfsemin er skipulögð, opnunar- tími og dagskipulag eru sýnileg og kynnt börnum, foreldrum og helstu samstarfsaðilum	15	Húsnæði og útileiksvæði eru örugg og taka mið af forsendum frístunda- starfs, jöfnum tækifærum og ólíkum þörfum allra barna	16	Úrval af efniviði og búnaði er til staðar sem höfðar til mismunandi áhugasviðs barna og mætir þörfum þeirra óháð aldri og þroska
BJARGIR OG SKIPULAG		а	Sveitarfélagið veitir viðeigandi fræðslu til nýrra starfsmanna fristundaheimilis, hvetur til og skapar aðstæður til starfsþróunar. Á frístundaheimilinu er sími og nettengdur búnaður	а	Sveitarfélög setja fram skýr viðmið um fjölda barna á hvern starfsmann og lágmarksstærð rýmis á hvert barn	а	Húsnæði frístundaheimilis og útileiksvæði uppfylla þær kröfur sem gerðar eru í lögum um grunnskóla og lögum um vinnuvernd	а	Fjölbreytt úrval af vistvænum og öruggum efniviði er til staðar
	VIÐMIÐ UM GÆÐI	b	Vefur fristundaheimilisins inniheldur réttar grunnupplýsingar um starfsemina, er virkur og uppfærður reglulega	b	Skipulag starfseminnar, samstarf aðila, og verkaskipting starfsfólks eru skýr og kynnt og endurmetin reglulega út frá þörfum barnsins	b	Skipulag húsnæðis og útileiksvæðis gerir ráð fyrir ólíkum viðfangsefnum barna	b	Efniviður og búnaður er yfirfarinn reglulega og endurnýjaður eftir þörfum
	7	C	Upplýsinga- og samskiptatækni er nýtt til samstarfs við foreldra og ýmsa samstarfsaðila	C	Tekið er á móti börnum og þau kvödd með skipulögðum hætti, þannig að ljóst sé hve mörg börn eru í frístundinni hverju sinni	С	Aðgengi að húsnæði hentar öllum, hvort sem er innan veggja þess eða útileiksvæði hentar öllum	С	Nærumhverfi frístundaheimilis er nýtt til þess að mæta áhuga, forvitni og áskorunum barna





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