



## 30 HOUR FUNDING FACT SHEET

There is a huge amount of complexity that sits behind the 30 Hour funding scheme but in a nutshell here are the key take-outs from a parental perspective:

1. All parents of 3 and 4 year olds are entitled to a maximum of 570 hours of funded childcare per academic year called 'Universal Entitlement'. However, only parents that meet eligibility criteria as defined by the government (please refer to <https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare>) will be entitled to a further maximum of 570 hours of funded childcare known as 'Extended Entitlement'.
2. Given that we have a predominance of working parents at the nursery we have decided to 'stretch' the funding over a 51 week period. This will mean that parents will be able to receive just over 22 funded hours per week over 51 weeks instead of 30 funded hours per week in term-time only.
3. For children doing full days funding will be spread at 7.45 hours per day up to a maximum of 22.35 hours a week (3 Full days) and for half day sessions funding will be allocated at 3.72 hours per session.
4. The overall consensus from our parent group is that they want a simple and straightforward billing process. This, combined with what works from an operational perspective for the nursery, brought us to the decision to go with a 'bundled' offer whereby parents who access 30 hour funding will be billed in equal instalments on a monthly basis.
5. There will be a new parental contract that we'll ask eligible parents to sign reflecting the fact that they're willing to pay for additional services over and above the basic funded provision.
6. The 'bundled' offer is effectively billed at the prevailing daily charge rate and includes, where applicable, the costs for breakfast, healthy morning/afternoon snacks, hot lunches and various specialist gym, dance and music activities over and above the basic funded provision (\*\*).
7. In line with our Admissions Policy due to staffing and operational considerations preference will be given to parents who take a minimum of 2, 3, 4 or 5 full days.
8. To be clear, we will still be offering half day sessions as well. The Nursery Manager will provide you with costs for any half day sessions that are taken in addition to the full days.
9. We are able to offer some stand-alone funded places on a limited basis, which changes from time to time and is dependent on how our occupancy and staffing levels fluctuate over time. We would encourage anyone interested in such sessions to enquire at the office.

**Please speak to the Nursery Manager for more specific details regarding pricing.**



\*\* Extras over and above basic funded provision provided as a bundle with stretched 2, 3, 4 and 5 day bookings.

- Higher staffing ratios than the Ofsted minimum
- Graduate led setting
- 100 % Paediatric 1<sup>st</sup> aid trained staff
- SENCO trained staff members on-site
- Lunch (Nutritionally balanced home cooked meals)
- Breakfast
- 2x snacks per day (Nutritionally balanced)
- Specialist Dance classes
- Specialist Music classes
- Specialist Gym Skills classes
- Purpose built play grounds built by a leading UK landscape company
- Woodland area
- Wipes
- Medicines
- Sun Protection Cream
- Waterproofs
- Graduation ceremony for Pre-school and Christmas Party for all children
- Multi agency working (Required by Statutory Framework but not funded by Early Years Funding) eg SENCO support for children with additional learning needs