Nursery Charging Statement 26-27

This Nursery Charging Statement has been published to comply with the Department for Education statutory guidance and to provide parents/guardians with clear, transparent information about funded childcare entitlements, optional chargeable extras, and any additional costs associated with nursery provision.

Funding eligibility:

Information on how to apply for 15 hours free childcare can be found here: https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/free-childcare-and-education-for-3-to-4-year-olds

Working parents may be eligible to apply for 30 hours of free childcare. Information on how to apply for 30 hours childcare for working parents can be found here: https://www.gov.uk/free-childcare-if-working/apply-for-free-childcare-if-youre-working

Nursery fees and sessions:

Morning session: 8:30am – 11:30am
Lunchtime: 11:30am – 1pm
Afternoon session: 1pm – 3:15pm

For those children with 15 hours free funding, we provide two full days on a Monday and Tuesday and a half a day session on a Wednesday morning until 11:30am, with the option to pay and top up the Wednesday afternoon session for **£25**.

For those children with 30 hours free funding, we provide four full days on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and a half a day session, including the lunchtime on a Friday morning until 1pm, with the option to pay and top up the Friday afternoon session for **£20**.

Each of the options above give each child an extra 1.5hours of childcare, provided by us, FREE of charge.

Additional sessions will be agreed in advance and will remain in place for the duration of each term. Where possible, adjustments may be considered during the academic year, subject to availability.

Alternative arrangements to the sessions above will be considered on a case-by-case basis and is not guaranteed and will be subject to the approval of the Headteacher.

Lunchtime provision and costs:

Children who take up 15 or 30 hours of funded nursery provision and attend for a full day will not be charged for lunch provision. Families will only be asked to pay the cost of the school lunch itself, should they choose for their child to have it. There is no additional charge for supervision, staffing, or lunchtime care during the school day. This ensures that children attending for a full day can enjoy lunchtime as part of their nursery experience, while keeping costs clear and transparent for families.

If your child will be in school over lunch time, you can either provide them with a packed lunch, or you can book them a school lunch. The current charge for a daily school meal is **£3.00**.

Snack and Fruit:

Children receive a daily snack; this is a piece of fruit or a vegetable. This is provided by the local authority and comes at **no charge**.

In addition, the children can have either milk provided by a company we use called 'Cool Milk' **(no charge)** or fresh water from the dispenser in the classroom.

Consumables:

Nappies, wipes, pull ups or other changing essentials are **not provided** by nursery and should be provided by parent/carers. This also applies to sun creams.

Additional charges:

Throughout the year, the nursery may offer additional activities and experiences, including:

- Baking activities
- Theme days
- Special in-school events

To support these opportunities, we may ask for a **voluntary contribution**. This will be notified in advance.

Educational trips and visits:

From time to time, the nursery will organise trips and visits that enhance children's learning. Parents/guardians will be asked to make a **voluntary contribution towards the cost of these activities**. A letter detailing the costs of the trip/visit will be shared or available on our parent communication platform. If the nursery does not receive sufficient voluntary contributions to make a trip/visit financially viable, the activity may be cancelled.

Extended provision:

We use an external provider, The Lime Trees, to deliver our breakfast club, after school club and holiday childcare provision. All booking should be made directly through their website www.TheLimeTrees.co.uk.

Breakfast club: 7:30am – 8:45am - £7 per session
After school club: 3:15pm – 6pm - £11.65 per session
Holiday club: 7:30am – 6pm - £34 per day