

CHARGING POLICY

Purpose

To explain to parents of the Nursery when charges are made.

Nursery places are free of charge under these circumstances:

- All 3-4 year olds are entitled to 15 hours free education
- Some 2 year olds are eligible for 15 hours free education (<https://www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/childrenandfamilies/childcare/payingforchildcare/freechildcare/2yearoldoffer>)
- Some 2 year olds are eligible for 15 hours free education if parent is working (<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-childcare-if-youre-working>)
- Some 3-4 year olds are eligible for up to 30 hours free education <https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare>

All additional hours will incur a charge as follows:

- 3-4 year olds £7.00 per hour - £21.00 per 3 hour session
- 2 year olds £8.00 per hour - £24.00 per 3 hour session (as of September 2024)

Charges for paid places and additional hours will still be applicable for children who are absent due to sickness or holidays. They will not however be applicable for sessions when the Nursery is unable to open due to exceptional circumstances beyond our control such as extreme weather.

A small discretionary fee of £1 per week, will be charged to cover the cost of consumables such as snack.

A discretionary fee of £10.00 per annum, will be charged to parents to cover the costs of some experiences/activities provided for the children throughout the year.

Children are able to attend **Lunch Club** at a cost of £3.00 per child, per session. This money contributes directly towards staffing costs for the session.

For family support groups and courses run by the Bushy Leaze Charity please see individual prices/suggested donations. A programme of events is available on our website and Facebook page.

Parents who find it difficult to meet any of the charges should discuss the matter with a member of staff.

Signed



Chair of Governors

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Next revision: Summer Term 2025

Linked policy – Debt recovery policy