



## Parental agreement on charges for Funded Sessions

(To be signed in conjunction with our Terms and Conditions)

If your child has become eligible for Government funding, we would like to explain your options here at Blueberry Nursery School ("Blueberry"). Our nursery is a premium setting, serving working parents who, in the main, need a flexible, high quality service, typically all year round. In line with our Provider Agreement with the Local Authority, we have detailed our offer below so that parents/carers can make an informed choice.

At Blueberry, we "stretch" funding across the year to support working parents to budget for year-round care. The Local Authority sets a limit on the maximum hours we can claim per term, and accordingly, the number of hours of funding that your child is entitled to per month will vary depending on which term they join us in, or when they first qualify for funding.

- For parents accessing 15 hours free funding, a maximum of 11.5 hours is allocated per week over 49.2 weeks (equivalent of a maximum of 570 hours annually).
- For parents accessing 30 hours free funding, a maximum of 23 hours is allocated per week over 49.2 weeks (equivalent of a maximum of 1140 hours annually).

We adjust the hours used in your last term dependent on the number of hours you have already attending. Leaving dates have to be submitted before 1st April of your final year. If your leaving date is submitted after this period then you might miss out on extra free hours that can be added to your existing weeks in the term. If you wish to leave at another time, we require a minimum of 1 month's calendar notice.

The funding we receive from the Government is only intended to cover the cost of education provision. At Blueberry, because our offer exceeds the basic standard of care required for funded hours, we apply an All-Inclusive charge for any additional time not covered by the free hours, as well as for meals and consumables.

Session	Times	Suitable For	Funded hours per session	All-inclusive charge per session		Comments
Short Day	8.30am - 4.30pm	All	5.75	£	38.75	Includes all snacks, meals, and 2.25 unfunded hours
Standard Day	8.30am - 5.30pm	All	5.75	£	42.25	Includes all snacks, meals, and 3.25 unfunded hours
<b>Limited Availability</b>						
Morning	8.30am - 2.30pm	15 hour	3.5	£	34.50	Includes snack, lunch, and 2 unfunded hours
Standard Day	8.30am - 5.30pm	30 hour	7	£	36.00	Includes all snacks, meals, and 2 unfunded hours
Standard Day	8.30am - 5.30pm	30 hour	8	£	31.00	Includes all snacks, meals, and 1 unfunded hour

The variety of sessions and funded hours is there to allow any parent who wishes to maximize their funding at our setting. Some sessions, as shown above, have more limited spaces, and priority for these sessions is given to children who are already accessing funding at Blueberry. Please speak to a member of the Management Team if you would like further advice.

### Optional Extras

These sessions are extra, and funding cannot be used towards them:

Early Birds (08:00 – 08:30)	£4.00	Extra Hour	£12.00
Night Owls (17:30 – 18:00)	£4.00	Forest School (10:00 – 13:00)	£22.00

Please note forest school cannot be attended during a normal nursery session. Parents must drop off and pick up at the Forest School site. A snack is included within this cost.

Extra Hours cannot be booked more than a week in advance and are subject to availability.

Additional sessions, over and above your monthly funded hours entitlement or outside of funded weeks, are charged at our regular fee rates, as shown in the Fee sheet. Children joining us mid-way through the term will be charged non-funded rates until their funding is transferred to us.

For an estimate of your average monthly fees, net of funding, please refer to the **Funding Fee tables** on the next page, which lists a sample of year-round booking patterns offered, subject to availability.



For parents looking to use their free hours entitlement only, we offer limited spaces for our Funded Afternoon (2:30pm – 5:30pm) or our Funded Full Day (8am – 6pm). Priority for spaces is given to children who are, or were previously, eligible for Two-Year-Old Entitlement or children eligible for Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP). We charge £6 for the Afternoon and £12 for the Full Day to cover meals and consumables, however, can waive that if it will prevent parents accessing their funding.

**Funding Fee Tables**

Below we show an estimate of the average monthly costs for a sample mix of year-round sessions. These amounts consider the free hours entitlement per month, the additional charges as detailed above, as well as the regular fees for non-funded hours. The exact amount on your child’s invoice may vary slightly due to rounding or if booking patterns change mid-year.

If your child joins us part way through a term, funding will be provided on a term time only basis for the term in which they start, and we will then move them over to stretched funding at the start of the following term.

If your desired booking pattern is not listed in the tables below, please contact the nursery for a personalised estimate of your fees net of funding.

At Blueberry, because we invoice on an equal monthly basis, your invoice will only show your monthly total amount due and the number of hours of funding provided in that month. It is, therefore, especially important for parents to ensure that you are fully clear on how your monthly invoice is calculated, and what additional charges you are agreeing to pay for, before signing this form.

Monthly Fees

Sessions	Regular Fee		Fees with 15 Hour Funding:		Fees with 30 Hour Funding:	
	Weekly	Monthly Invoice	Weekly	Monthly Invoice	Weekly	Monthly Invoice
1 Short Day	£ 67.50	£ 281.25	£ 38.75	£ 161.46		
2 Short Days	£ 135.00	£ 562.50	£ 77.50	£ 322.92		
3 Short Days	£ 202.50	£ 843.75	£ 145.00	£ 604.17		
4 Short Days	£ 270.00	£ 1,125.00	£ 212.50	£ 885.42		
5 Short Days	£ 320.00	£ 1,333.33	£ 262.50	£ 1,093.75		
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1 Morning	£ 52.00	£ 216.67	£ 34.50	£ 143.75		
2 Mornings	£ 104.00	£ 433.33	£ 69.00	£ 287.50		
3 Mornings	£ 156.00	£ 650.00	£ 103.50	£ 431.25		
4 Mornings	£ 208.00	£ 866.67	£ 150.50	£ 627.08		
5 Mornings	£ 260.00	£ 1,083.33	£ 202.50	£ 843.75		
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1 Standard Day	£ 71.00	£ 295.83			£ 31.00	£ 129.17
2 Standard Days	£ 142.00	£ 591.67			£ 62.00	£ 258.33
3 Standard Days	£ 213.00	£ 887.50			£ 98.00	£ 408.33
4 Standard Days	£ 284.00	£ 1,183.33			£ 169.00	£ 704.17
5 Standard Days	£ 320.00	£ 1,333.33			£ 240.00	£ 1,000.00

I have read, understood and accept the above ‘Parental agreement on charges for funded sessions’

I have signed the EYFE form required by the Local Authority

If I am claiming 30 Hours funding for my child, I have provided the nursery with my 30 Hours code, National Insurance Number, and a copy of my child’s birth certificate or passport.

Child’s name.....

Signed by Parent/Guardian responsible for payments.....

Date: .....