



Bumble Bees Day Nursery & pre-School

Bumble Bees Fees Structure

At our nursery we believe in open communication with all parents/carers and staff. Therefore, this fee structure will assist everyone to understand our charging.

Opening times: We operate for a minimum of 44 weeks per year, closing on bank holidays. We are open Monday to Friday from 9 am to 5 pm.

Pricing: Fees are payable monthly in advance and are reviewed annually in the month of December each year. Any changes to current rates will be advised in writing, at least one month in advance. Our fees do not include any outings, celebrations or entertainment these are additional to our usual session activities.

Full Day 9 am to 5 pm	£75
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Additional hours: We offer an additional 30 minutes before and after normal opening times. Each session is currently charged at £7 and must be booked in advance to enable us to ensure appropriate staffing levels.

Illness/absence: No refund will be given in the event of a child's absence due to illness, holiday or any other reason.

Extended Holidays: In the event of a child going on extended holiday for more than two weeks, subsequent weeks will be charged at half price.

Late pick up: It is important that children are collected promptly at the end of a day.

Late payments: Fees are to be paid within 14 days of the invoice date. If you are experiencing financial hardship please speak, in confidence, to the owner/manager so that alternative payment arrangements can be made. ***If fees are not settled, we are left with no alternative but to withdraw your child's place in line with our Bad Debt Procedure.*** Children in receipt of Free Early Education will be able to access their funded hours only.

Administrative Fee: We ask for a £25.00 to secure and process your child's place.

Payment methods: Invoices can be settled by BACS payment. We are also registered for the on-line Government Tax Free Childcare Scheme. Please speak to the owner/manager for our bank details if you wish to pay by BACS

Free Early Education and Childcare for 2, 3 and 4 years old

Two-year-olds: Some two-year-olds may be eligible to receive up to 15 hours funding known as the Free for Two Scheme (FF2) which is subject to meeting certain eligibility criteria. For more information, please speak to the owner/manager.

Three- and four-year-olds (The Universal Entitlement): All children become eligible for up to 15 hours Free Early Education the term after their third birthday. Eligible date ranges are shown in the table below.

Three- and four-year-olds of working parents (The Extended Entitlement): Some children may qualify for up to an additional 15 hours of Free Early Education which is subject to meeting certain eligibility criteria. For more information, please speak to the owner/manager.

More information about all funding streams and Tax Free Childcare can be found on the [Childcare Choices](#) website.

A child is entitled to Free Early Education at the start of the term after they reach 9 months (if eligible), or third birthday in line with the Department for Education table below:

A child born on or between	Will become eligible for a free place from
1 st January and 31 st March	The Start of Term 5 following their second or third birthday (after April Holiday)
1 st April and 31 st August	The Start of Term 1 following their second or third birthday (after Summer Holiday)
1 st September and 31 st December	The Start of Term 3 following their second or third birthday (after Christmas/New Year Holiday)

Our delivery patterns: The following information details how your child can access their Free Early Education hours at this nursery.

Chargeable Patterns Including Free Early Education (FEE) Hours:

Please note that FEE hours are accessed between 9 am to 12 pm and/or 2 pm to 5 pm

Free for 2-year-olds (FF2)

Full Day 9 am to 5 pm	8 hours free plus a charge of £0
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Universal and/or Extended Entitlements (3-&4-year-olds)

Full Day 9 am to 5 pm	6 hours free plus a charge of £44.04
Full Day 9 am to 5 pm	3 hours free plus a charge of £59.52

Children accessing sessions outside of their Free Early Education will be charged at our current rates as shown in the table on page 1. You will be invoiced in the usual way showing how many free hours your child has accessed in that period and what the additional charges are.

Working parents of 2-year-old children: If you meet the criteria for funding and provide us with a code from HMRC you will receive 15 hours of funded care during term time. Our current charge will be:

Full day session 9 am to 5 pm	6 hours free plus a charge of £29.70
Full day session 9 am to 5 pm	3 hours free plus a charge of £52.35

Working parents of 9 months to 2-year-old children: If you meet the criteria for funding and provide us with a code from HMRC from 1 April 2024 you will receive 15 hours of funded care during term time. Our current charge will be:

Full day session 9 am to 5 pm	6 hours free plus a charge of £13.44
Full day session 9 am to 5 pm	3 hours free plus a charge of £44.22

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