



Bumble Bees Day Nursery & pre-School

Bumble Bees Fee Structure

At our nursery we believe in open communication with all parents/carers and staff. We therefore hope this fee structure will assist everyone to understand our charges.

Opening times: We operate for a minimum of 46 weeks per year and open Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm.

Pricing: Fees are payable monthly in advance and are reviewed annually. Any changes to current rates will be advised in writing. Our fees do not include any outings, celebrations or entertainment these are additional to our usual session activities. Any related costs will be optional.

Full Day 8:30 am to 5:30 pm	Under 2's £75 2 years old £80 3 & 4 years old £85
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Illness/absence: No refund will be given in the event of a child's absence due to illness, holiday or any other reason.

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 7 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 will be 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.

Booking Fee: We ask for £25.00 to secure and process your child's place. This will be returned with your first invoice.

Payment methods: Invoices can be settled by BACS payment. We are also registered for the on-line Government Tax Free Childcare Scheme.

Free Early Education and Childcare for 9 months to 4 years old

Any child who is entitled to Government funding will receive their free hours between 11:30 am and 5:30 pm, during school term-time. The additional private care fees set out below for each age group will apply if you choose whole day care.

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 & Care 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 & Care which is subject to meeting certain eligibility criteria. 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 & Care at the start of the term after they reach **9 months** (if eligible), or second 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 after they reach 9 months or following their second or third birthday (after April Holiday)
1 st April and 31 st August	The Start of Term 1 after they reach 9 months or following their second or third birthday (after Summer Holiday)
1 st September and 31 st December	The Start of Term 3 after they reach 9 months or 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 & Care hours at this nursery.

Chargeable Patterns Including Free Early Education & Care (FEE&C) Hours:

FEE&C hours are available to all qualifying children as a stand-alone option and can be accessed between 11:30 am and 5:30 pm or 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm each day during school terms.

For those choosing full day care we provide, at no additional cost, breakfast, snacks throughout the day and access to Forest School, Tots in Sports and other activities across the year.

Free for 2-year-olds (FF2)

Full Day 11:30 am to 5:30 pm	6 hours free.
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Universal and/or Extended Entitlements (3-&-4-year-olds)

Full Day 8:30 am to 5:30 pm	6 hours free plus £28.30 for additional private care.
Full Day 8:30 am to 5:30 pm	3 hours free plus £56.66 for additional private care.

Working parents of 3/4-year-old children: If you meet the criteria for funding and provide us with a code from HMRC you will receive up to an additional 15 hours of funded care during term time. Our current charge will be as shown above.

Children accessing sessions outside of their Free Early Education & Care period will be charged at our additional private care rate. 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 up to 30 hours of funded care during term time. Our current charge will be:

Full day session 8:30 am to 5:30 pm	6 hours free plus £26.67 for additional private care.
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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 you will receive up to 30 hours of funded care during term time. Our current charge will be:

Full day session 8:30 am to 5:30 pm	6 hours free plus £25.00 for additional private care.
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If you have any questions, please speak to Jenny.