



Early Years Entitlement Charging Policy & Fees

Introduction

This Charging Policy outlines how families can access funded early education and childcare at The Bath Nursery Company, in line with the statutory guidance issued by the Department for Education. It explains which elements are free of charge, and where charges may be applied for additional hours and services.

Our settings are committed to offering fair, transparent and accessible provision for all families, while maintaining high-quality early education.

Accessing Entitlement Hours Only

All children eligible for funded early education will be able to access their '15 hours' or '30 hours' entitlement at our setting without any compulsory charge for the funded provision.

What this includes:

- **15 Hours Universal Entitlement:** For all 3- and 4-year-olds
- **15 Hours Entitlement:** Low Income/Other Benefits Funding, eligible children aged 2-years-old
- **30 Hours for 9-month-olds to 4 -year-olds** for eligible working families

Funded hours are offered between 8:00am and 6:00pm, over 51, 39 or 38 weeks.

Parents can request a place that only uses the funded entitlement within the operational model of our nursery.

Accessing Additional Hours and Additional Services

Parents may choose to purchase:

- Additional hours outside their child's entitlement.
- Additional services not covered by the government-funded hours (see chargeable extras below).

These charges are optional and clearly communicated to parents in advance.

Chargeable Extras

Chargeable extras may include, but are not limited to:

- Meals and snacks (breakfast, lunch, tea, snacks)
- Nappies and wipes
- Enrichment activities (e.g. sports, music, forest school, languages)
- Outings or trips
- Consumables (e.g. sun cream, stationery, craft materials)



Registration Fees

A one-off registration fee of £50 may be charged only to families accessing paid hours (beyond the funded entitlement).

This registration fee is:

- Non-refundable once a place is confirmed.
- Not a condition for families accessing funded only hours.

Deposits

A deposit of 2 weeks fees are required to secure your child's place at Nursery.

Deposits are refunded onto your final invoice at Nursery, provided the relevant notice has been given to terminate your child's place as detailed in our Terms and Conditions.

Invoicing and Payments

Invoices for additional hours and services are issued **monthly in advance**.

Fees are due by 1st Monthly in advance.

Notice Periods

One Month's notice is required to reduce days/ sessions.

A full Terms notice is required if changing from an All-Year-Round contract to a Term Time Only Contract.

Current Rates for Additional Services and Consumables

KEY (Please see table below for relevant charges):

All Inclusive Fees:

The Nursery provides all meals and snack, extracurricular activities and consumables.

Additional Services and Consumables provided by the Nursery, no meals or snacks:

Parents would need to provide sufficient food to meet your child's needs for the length of time they are at nursery, this will need to be provided in a way to keep it cool as the nurseries do not have the facilities to refrigerate packed meals, we would also not be able to heat individual meals to provide hot meals for children.

Funded Only Places:

To access a fully funded place parents must provide on a daily basis:

Consumables: Wipes, Nappies, Sun Cream

Meals and Snacks: Sufficient food to meet your child's needs for the length of time they are at nursery, this will need to be provided in a way to keep it cool as the nurseries do not have the facilities to refrigerate packed meals, we would also not be able to heat individual meals to provide hot meals for children.

Trips and extracurricular activities: A minimum Fee of £10 will be charged for any trips or extracurricular activities that you would like your child to experience.



Session	Timings	Daily Fee
Full Day	8.00 am – 6.00 pm	10 hours funding + £26.50
School Day	8.00 am – 3.30 pm	7.5 hours funding + £19.50
Morning	8.00 am – 12.30 pm	4.5 hours funding + £16.50
Afternoon	1.00 pm – 6.00 pm	5 hours funding + £16.50

Session	Timings	Daily Fee
Full Day	8.00 am – 6.00 pm	10 hours funding + £17.50
School Day	8.00 am – 3.30 pm	7.5 hours funding + £13.00
Morning	8.00 am – 12.30 pm	4.5 hours funding + £11.00
Afternoon	1.00 pm – 6.00 pm	5 hours funding + £11.00

Session	Timings	Daily Fee
Full Day	8.00 am – 6.00 pm	10 hours funding + £0
School Day	8.00 am – 3.30 pm	7.5 hours funding + £0
Morning	8.00 am – 12.30 pm	4.5 hours funding + £0
Afternoon	1.00 pm – 6.00 pm	5 hours funding + £0

Current Rates for Additional Hours

Additional hours: £12.00 per hour at Combe Down Nursery and Guinea Lane Nursery, £14.50 at Bryanston Nursery