
WHY IS IT NOT TOTALLY FREE?

Please bear in mind:

- Essentials and extras are not covered by government funding.
- Children with us spend longer in nursery than the funding provides for (51 weeks instead of 38 weeks).

Extra charges apply for these reasons and we ask that parents acknowledge that there is a widely publicised shortfall in government funding and that parent's contribute and help cover the cost of this shortfall. We refer to it as our 'Quality Premium'.

What isn't covered by the funding – our award winning healthy balanced meals, drinks & snacks. Toiletries, activities and craft materials, staff training and development and first aid over and above the minimum legal requirements. Staffing levels and qualifications over and above minimum requirements, and a dedicated and qualified Early Years Teacher on site. Our ParentZone app gives you daily updates and an interface with our staff.

BOOKING SESSIONS OR CHANGING SESSIONS.

Please remember to give us a month's notice if you wish to change your child's sessions.

HAVE QUESTIONS?

We pledge to work with you to find the most suitable and affordable childcare option for your needs.

Email Maria any funding related questions:
office@phoenixeducationdaynursery.co.uk

Email Laura/Jo if you wish to give notice to change your sessions:
info@phoenixeducationdaynursery.co.uk.

Or call 01634 717151.

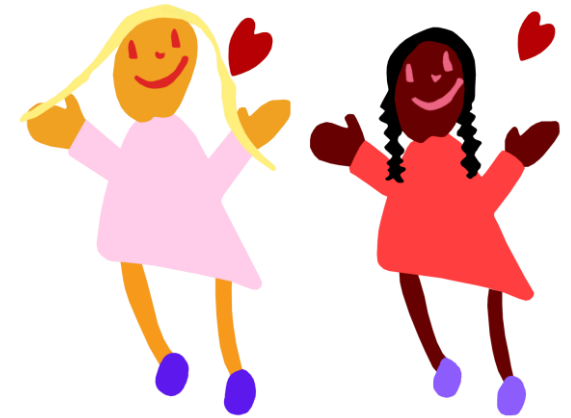
FORTHCOMING CHANGES TO FUNDING

Childcare support is increasing for working parents who will soon be able to claim 30hrs of funding for 38 weeks of the year from when their child is 9 months old to when they start school. This is being rolled out in phases:

- From April 2024, all working parents of 2-year-olds can access 15 hours per week.
- From September 2024, all working parents of children aged 9 months up to 3 years old can access 15 hours per week.
- From September 2025 all working parents of children aged 9 months up to 3 years old can access 30 hours per week

Phoenix Education Day Nursery

15 & 30 HRS GOVERNMENT FUNDING



September 2023 - March 2024

WHAT FUNDING IS AVAILABLE?

At present the government provide:

- 15hrs of funding to all children commencing the term after their 3rd birthday and to some 2yr old children who meet certain eligibility criteria.
- 30hrs of funding is provided to children whose parents are both working over 16hrs per week (with an upper individual upper earnings limit), or just one parent in single parent families.

WHERE CAN I FIND OUT WHAT I AM ELIGIBLE FOR?



Visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk to find out exactly what you are entitled to and for all up to date information on help with childcare costs.

HOW DO I APPLY?

15 hours funded childcare: all you have to do is get in touch with us – we will talk you through the process and ask to see your child's birth certificate as proof of eligibility. For eligible 2 year olds, you must get written confirmation from your local authority and pass this to us.

30 hours funded childcare: you need to apply for 30 hours funding by following the link [Apply for 30 hours free childcare - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#) for 30hrs funding HMRC require you to reconfirm your eligibility every 3 months and they will email you reminders to do this. It is your responsibility to renew your code to receive the funded hours.

HOW DOES THE FUNDING WORK?

Whether claiming 15 or 30hrs, remember that this is paid for 38 weeks of the year (term time only). To fit in with the majority of our parent's needs we offer all year round care, closing only for Christmas week. We therefore 'stretch' the funding over the whole year. The Local Authority require a minimum amount of education is delivered per week:



15hr entitlement: a minimum of any 2 sessions per week equal to or greater than **11hrs.**

30hr entitlement: a minimum of 3 sessions per week equal to or greater than **22hrs.**

WHAT IS THE VALUE OF THE FUNDING?

15hr funding is 15hrs per week for 38 weeks (term time only) = 570hrs/year childcare.
We claim £4.78 per hour
= £227.05 per month.

30hr funding is 30hrs per week for 38 weeks (term time only) = 1140hrs/year childcare.
We can claim £4.78 per hour
= £454.10 per month

Bear in mind that essentials and extras are not covered by government funding and our parents usually require their children to spend longer in nursery than the funding allows (51 weeks instead of 38 weeks) and extra charges apply for this.

HOW MUCH WILL I PAY?

THESE RATES APPLY TO 3-4YR FUNDING ONLY AT PRESENT

Attendance	Standard Monthly Fee from Sept. 2023
2 days/week	£552.50
3 days/week	£828.75
4 days/week	£1105.00
5 days/week	£1312.19

Attendance	Monthly fee after 11hrs stretched funding
2 days/week	£325.45
3 days/week	£601.70
4 days/week	£877.95
5 days/week	£1096.49

Attendance	Monthly fee after 22hrs stretched funding
2 days/week	£249.77*
3 days/week	£374.65
4 days/week	£650.90
5 days/week	£880.79

*with 2 days per week attendance the Local Authority will only authorise a 20hr claim.