

Funded Hours

At Fledglings, we accept the funded hours from the term after your child turns 9 months old, subject to parental eligibility. We offer this over a 38 week per year basis, which closely follows the academic terms of schools. The funding is worked out as follows:

- For every 5 hours your child attends, 3 are funded and parents pay the remaining 2 (at the sessional rate – for example a baby is charged £91.34 for a full day, this gives an hourly rate of £18.27, therefore if 6 hours of that day are funded the parents would pay £36.52). This means for a child to receive for example 18 funded hours they would need to attend 3 full days or 6 sessions of 8-1 or 1-6.
- During the non-funded hours weeks such as half term, parents are charged at the daily/sessional rate applicable to each room.

As the funding must be claimed in advance, children in receipt of funded hours cannot change their sessions during that term.

About 6 weeks before the term starts, parents are sent a funded hours form which they must complete in full (including NI numbers, NHS numbers and eligibility codes). This must be promptly returned to the nursery along with a copy of the child's passport or birth certificate. This form must be completed every term. It is the parents' responsibility to ensure that eligibility is checked every term.

If a child wishes to only attend for funded hours, parents must be aware that we open 51 weeks per year of which only 38 would be fully funded and they would be charged at normal rates over the non-funded hours weeks. The funded hours only would be between the hours of 9-12, 12-3 or 9-3. Meals, nappies and additional activities such as French, music and sports activities would be charged at the rate determined by the outsourced company. Lunch and snack would be charged at £10 per day. The charge for nappies, wipes and cream per day is £2. If parents do not wish to pay during the non-funded hours weeks, the child's name will be removed from our registers and a place would not be guaranteed for when the funded hours recommence, it would be subject to availability.

For those who are not eligible for funded hours, parents are charged over a 51 week per year basis, and according to each age group. For example, a child attending 3 days in the baby room would be charged 3 x the daily rate x 51/12 to give a monthly invoice. Rates change the term after the child's birthday.