

Fees and Funding

1st April 2023-31st March 2024

Fees are reviewed annually and increases may occur

At Pre-School On The Marsh we offer high quality childcare for children aged two until they go to school.

Opening hours are Monday to Friday 8:00—4:00pm. Term time only.

Session structure

AM Session	9.15am—12.15am	Forest School Session	9.30am—12.30pm
PM Session	12.15pm—3.15pm	8am Breakfast Session	8.00am—9.15am
Full Day Session	9.15am—3.15pm	8:45am Session	8:45am—9:15am
Lunch Club Session	12:15pm-1:15pm	3:30 or 4pm Session	3:15pm-3:30pm or 3:15- 4pm

Bookings: Bookings can be made by completing a booking form. A booking fee of £8.00 is chargeable to cover the costs of all administration and your child's starter pack.

No booking fee is required for anybody in receipt of early education funding however, a completed and signed funding agreement form with all relevant funding codes must be received to secure the place.

<u>Fees Payable:</u> Fees for all booked hours are always payable, whether the child attends or not. These are payable half termly in advance, and your child's pre-school place may be at risk if fees are outstanding. To end a booking 5 weeks term time notice is required.

<u>Deposits:</u> Deposits to reserve places/hours for a future start are required to maintain sustainability. Places available to reserve for April starts are limited to ensure a minimum of 'blocked' sessions are in place at any time.

A deposit is not returned if child fails to start any reserved hours.

2-year-old places: We offer a number of 2-year-old places. Spaces are limited to ensure staff ratios and high quality childcare.

2-year-old funding: All children who receive 2-year-old early education funding will be able to access a FREE up to 15 hour place at Pre-School On The Marsh whilst in receipt of this funding and when they move up to 3/4 year old funding. Fees will be charged for all hours above 15 or if optional additional charged services are requested. A meal charge will also be added for all PM and full day sessions. A valid code is required at the time of booking.

<u>3 and 4 year old Funding:</u> Pre-School On The Marsh offer funded early education for 3 and 4 years olds. This is universal funding given to every child from the term following their third birthday up until they reach compulsory school age.

For all funded hours booked, Pre-School On The Marsh charge an additional consumable charge of £1.00 per hour. This charge covers all consumables and additional activities that are not covered by the early educational funding.

Consumables: Our consumable charge covers the following.

Food: Snacks, cooking activity ingredients, top up breakfast.

Health and hygiene: wet wipes, paper towels, gloves, nappy bags, sun cream.

Resources: paints, mark making equipment, messy play, sand.

Activities: Dance, music. sports, special events, local trips.

Other: Tapestry online journals, parent admin.

The consumable charge will **NOT** be charged

- If you access the Early Years Pupil Premium
- If you are in receipt of 2-year-old funding
- If you were previously in receipt of 2-year-old funding with us

Payment Methods: Payments can be made via BACS using the details below

Sort code 401722 Account number 81622455

or by CASH or CARD in the pre-school.



Price List

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Session hourly rate

Rate charged per hour for all fee paying sessions and for all extra sessions

2 year olds	£7.50 per hour
3 year olds /4 year olds	£6.50 per hour

Additional Charges Charges that are applied in addition to the hourly rate

Two course Lunch Charged on all PM and full day sessions only	£2.50
Consumable charge for all Pre-School funded hours	£1.00 per hour

Extended collection or early drop off charges

These are added as additional charges and are not covered by Early Education Funding.

8:00 start includes breakfast	£10 per day
8:45 start	£4 per day
Lunch club (for morning sessions) 3/4 year olds includes lunch	£8.50 per day
Lunch club (for morning sessions) 2 year olds includes lunch	£9.50 per day
3.30pm pick up	£3.00 per day
4:00pm pick up	£6 per day
Late collection fee (with no notice given)	£3.00 up to 15 minutes late, then £5 for every 15 minutes after.

The Forest School Charge is added to reflect the additional costs in running a Forest school session. The cost covers the high staff to adult ratio, the additional insurance costs, the license fee the use of the forest school site additional consumables and the use of the supplied Forest school kit.

The charge will **NOT** apply to Children who are exempt

Forest School charge for funded hours to include consumable charge	£1.50 per hour
Forest School charge for fee payers, consumable charge within fees	£0.50 per hour

Upon Joining

One off non refundable Booking Fee	£8.00
Deposit: fully refundable once your child starts. Deposit is not returned if child fails to start any reserved hours.	£30.00 per term reserved for future bookings. No deposit is needed for immediate starts.

Late payments

No booking fee is required for those in receipt of early education funding however a completed funding agreement form must be received.

Late payment fee	£5.00 per week until balance has been paid
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All fees are charged half termly in advance. Invoices are sent via email.

Receipts are available upon request.

Special conditions

The only requirement we have as a childcare provider in regards to FREE early years education funding spaces is to provide one FREE place in our setting.

We are however a not for profit organisation and our aim is simply to be sustainable, we therefore do not charge the consumable fee or the Forest School charge to anyone who is accessing the early years pupil premium. The early years pupil premium is a means tested premium, parents can check if they are eligible and if successful as a preschool we will receive 0.61p per hour extra for their child. As this premium is means tested we know that only those who are in greatest need will be able to receive it so it is a good way to measure who gets our FREE places.

You can find out if you are eligible here:

https://www.bournemouth.gov.uk/childreneducation/childcare/paying-for-childcare/ EarlyYearsPupilPremium.aspx

Anyone who is eligible and who has selected Pre-School On The Marsh as their chosen setting will show up on our early years pupil premium database and we will then be able to remove the consumable charge from your account.

Optional additional charges will still remain. This includes those who opt to book PM or full day sessions which include the lunch charge. If you want your place to be completely FREE you will need to book AM sessions or Forest school sessions only.

We will also not apply these charges for anyone who is claiming 2-year old funding, and for up to 15 hours for anyone who previously used their 2-year funding with us. 2-year old funding is also means tested and only eligible families receive this funding. You should receive a voucher through the post to use to claim your funding with us but you can also find out if you are eligible here:

https://www.bournemouth.gov.uk/childreneducation/childcare/paying-for-childcare/early-education-funding-for-two-year-olds.aspx

If eligible you will be allocated a code. You need to give this information to us to be able to claim your funding and not pay the consumable charge. 2-year old funding can be claimed the term after your child's second birthday.

Optional additional charges will still remain. This includes those who opt to book PM or full day sessions which include the lunch charge. If you want your place to be completely FREE you will need to book AM sessions only.

In addition to the above we are aware that there are some families who will not fit into either of these categories who will still really need the help. Therefore hopefully they will be able to access our available FREE places. If we have the scope to help others then we will. You should always talk to us if you feel you need help in any way.

Help with childcare costs

Get Up To 70% Of Your Early Education and Care Costs Covered With Working Tax Credit

You can claim the childcare element of working tax credit if you are a single parent and you are in work for at least 16 hours a week. This also applies if you are part of a couple and you are both in work for at least 16 hours.

https://www.gov.uk/working-tax-credit

You Can Claim Back Up To 85% Of The Cost Of Early Education and Care With Universal Credit

You can get the childcare element of universal credit if you are a single parent and you are in work or you are in a couple and you both work or one of you works and the other is unable to work because they are ill, a carer or absent from the household.

https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/universal-credit

Get 20% off with Tax Free Childcare

You can get up to £500 every 3 months (up to £2,000 a year) for each of your children to help with the costs of childcare. This goes up to £1,000 every 3 months if a child is disabled (up to £4,000 a year).

If you get Tax-Free Childcare, you'll set up an online childcare account for your child. For every £8 you pay into this account, the government will pay in £2 to use to pay your provider.

You can get Tax-Free Childcare at the same time as 30 hours free childcare if you're eligible for both.

https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare

Get up to 30 hours with the extended entitlement

If you are working you might be entitled to up to 30 hours instead of just the universal 15 hours if your child is 3 or 4 years old.

https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare