

Budget Share

The term after your child turns 3, they will qualify automatically for 15 hours childcare paid for by the government for a total of 38 weeks per year. At Fledglings, we do this on a term time only basis, i.e. every school holiday such as half term is not included in the free hours.

At Fledglings we offer the free hours on a sessional basis, so for every 5-hour session (8-1 or 1-6) 3 hours are paid by the budget share and you pay for the remaining 2, up to a total of 15 hours paid by the grant. To maximise the 15 hours allowance, your child would need to attend a total of 5 sessions, i.e. 5 mornings/afternoons or 2 ½ days.

From April 2018, Fledglings nursery has entered the 30 hours funding scheme, and you need to check with your local authority, to see whether you qualify for the additional 15 hours. If you do qualify, you will be given a code which you must send to us, and renew every term. If the qualification is withdrawn fees will be due at the full rate. To maximise the 30 hours funding, your child would need to attend full time. Any less than full time, the funded hours will be worked out pro-rata.

As we have to let the council know which sessions your child attend, and therefore how many hours they will receive, we must know before the start of each term, what sessions they will be attending and this cannot be altered once confirmed.

A parent declaration form will be sent out from the nursery, approximately the second or third week of the term, which you will need to fill out, sign and return to the nursery. The first time you complete this form, you will need to provide your child's NHS number, their passport number or birth certificate. The parents need to fill in their NI numbers, their age and sign the form.

Please note these fees are correct as of April 2017 and may change each year

Example 15 hours funding

Example child A, attending Monday-Friday mornings.

Cygnets half day rate is £31.70, as this is for a 5-hour session, the hourly rate is £6.34.

The initial 3 hours is paid for by the government, and you will pay the difference which is £12.68.

For the week, this would total £63.40.

Please keep in mind, that as we have to add up each month how many of each day there are in that month, and also which dates are not covered by the budget share, your monthly invoice will vary.

Example child B, attends 4 full days

Cygnets full day rate is £57.50, as this is for 10 hours, the hourly rate is £5.75.

The first two days, 6 hours will be paid for by the government, therefore you will pay for 4 hours which is £23. The third day, you will pay for 7 hours, as only 3 are paid for by the grant, which totals £40.25. The final day does not have any government paid hours, therefore will be at the full day rate of £57.50. The total for this week would be £143.75

Example 30 hours funding

The full time weekly rate for the Cygnets is £252, as this is for 50 hours, the hourly rate is £5.04, 30 hours of this is paid for by the government, therefore you would need to pay for 20 hours, which is £100.80.