## **WRAP Nursery**

## Funding information for parents and carers

Parents can see whether they are eligible for a range of government childcare offers by checking the Childcare Choices website:

https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/

Or the Childcare Calculator government website:

https://www.gov.uk/childcare-calculator

#### **Our opening hours**

We're open 51 weeks per year, excluding bank holidays. The nursery closes for one week between Christmas and New Year. You are not charged when the nursery is closed.

Our sessions and fees for children age

Regular	Time	Fee under 3	Fee over 3 years
Sessions		years old	old
Full day	8am – 6pm	£83	£78
Half day	8am – 1pm or 1pm - 6pm	£45	£45
School day	9:30-4:30pm	£73	£68

#### **Key facts**

- We ask for a commitment of at least 2 half day sessions or 1 full day session per week.
- We require one month's notice to terminate the contract and child's place at the nursery
- We require one month's notice for any reduction in nursery attendance
- An increase/change in nursery sessions could be possible depending on our availability.
- You may book ad hoc sessions in addition to your regular attendance. Specific fees apply.

Ad-hoc Sessions	Time	Fee under 3's	Fee over 3's
Full day	8am – 6pm	£90	£85
Half day	8am – 1pm or 1pm - 6pm	£50	£50
School day	9:30-4:30pm	£81	£76

- Charges for any additional sessions will be added to your next invoice.
- Monthly invoices are payable by the 1st day of the month to which they relate.
- Any ad hoc sessions cancelled within less than 48 hours' notice will be charged at full price.
- Any absence due to sickness or holiday will be charged in full.
- We do not allow swapping sessions.

# 2 year old, 3 year old and 4 years old 'Early Years Free Entitlement' - 15 hours and 30 hours funding

All 3 and 4 year olds (and some eligible 2 year olds) are, from the term after their second (if eligible) or third (universal) birthdays, entitled to free early years provision.

They are entitled to up to 15 hours a week for 38 weeks per year (term-time) or stretched to 570 hours if the child attends year round.

Child's birthday falls between:	They can start their EYFE from:
1 January and 31 March	The beginning of term on or after
	1st April
1 April and 31 August	The beginning of term on or after
	1st September
1 September and 31 December	The beginning of term on or after
	1st January

Some three and four-year-olds are eligible for additional extended hours if their parents are working.

### Funding at The WRAP Nursery

At the WRAP nursery we are open year round so we stretch the funding. This means that, if eligible, you can claim:

- Universal 12 hours a week for 47 weeks of the year = 564 hours
- Extended 24 hours a week for 47 weeks of the year = 1128 hours
- Full fees are applicable during 4 non-funded weeks per year. For 2024 these are the weeks commencing:
  - 27th May 2024
  - **19 August 2024**
  - 26 August 2024
  - 16 December 2024

#### EXAMPLE of WRAP Nursery fees taking into account 2-years old Early Years Free Entitlement:

Sessions	Maximum amount of EYFE hours claimed per session	Fee to pay to WRAP Nursery after deduction of maximum daily allowance of EYFE hours
Full day (8am-6pm)	8 hr	£15.80
Half day (8am – 1pm or 1pm - 6pm)	4 hr	£11.40
School day (9:30am - 4:30pm)	6 hr	£22.60

Example of WRAP Nursery fees taking into account 3 and 4-years old Early Years Free Entitlement:

Sessions	Maximum amount of EYFE hours claimed per session	Fee to pay to WRAP Nursery after deduction of maximum daily allowance of EYFE hours
Full day (8am-6pm)	8 hr	£ 36.80
Half day (8am – 1pm or 1pm - 6pm)	4 hr	£24.40
School day (9:30am - 4:30pm)	6 hr	£37.10

'Stand-alone' funded sessions (where sessions are EYFE hours only) are allocated termly, subject to availability.

- 12 hour universal stand-alone offer: Monday to Friday 1:15pm to 4:15pm (3 EYFE hours per session). For only 47 weeks, so if you wish your child to attend any or all of the non-funded weeks (see above), full fees will apply. Care package supplement fee per session - £11.50
- 24 hour extended stand-alone offer: Monday to Friday 1pm to 5:00pm (4 EYFE hours per session). For only 47 weeks, so if you wish your child to attend any or all of the non-funded weeks (see above), full fees will apply. Care package supplement fee per session - £ 15.40

Our care package includes:

- Tea and healthy snacks
- Consumables and cloth nappies, wipes, suncream
- Trips and outings
- All extra-curricular activities; yoga, music, baking

We will liaise with any families not choosing our care package with their standalone EYFE hours on a case by case basis.

# **Checking your Eligibility**

#### Eligibility for 2-years old Early Years Free Entitlement

Once your child is eligible for a place, they stay eligible, even if your circumstances change.

You are eligible if parents receive one of the following benefits:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- Universal Credit, and your household income is £15,400 a year or less after tax, not including benefit payments
- tax credits, and your household income is £16,190 a year or less before tax
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- the Working Tax Credit 4-week run on (the payment you get when you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

If the 2-year-olds falls under one of the categories:

- are looked after by a local authority\*
- have a statement of special education needs (SEN) or an education, health and care (EHC) plan\*
- get Disability Living Allowance\*
- have left care under an adoption order, special guardianship order or a child arrangements order\*

#### To apply go to:

https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/families-children-and-learning/childcare-and-f amily-support/childcare-2-year-olds-enquire-about

#### Eligibility for Extended 30 hours Early Years Free Entitlement

- Both parents must be working and earning at least the equivalent of 16 hours per week at the national minimum wage\*, but less than £100,000 per person a year (see below for exceptions)
- Single parents must be working and earning at least the equivalent of 16 hours per week at the national minimum wage, but less than £100,000 per year
- Self-employed parents must have earnings over a set period of time that equate to at least 16 hours per week at the national minimum wage but do not exceed £100,000 per year.
- Foster carers may be eligible for 30 hours free childcare for three- and four-year-olds that they foster, if they meet certain conditions.

To apply go to Childcare Service online:

<u>Childcare service | Government Gateway: sign in or set up (tax.service.gov.uk)</u> and enter your details.

The system will check whether you are eligible for 30 hours free childcare and Taxfree Childcare in one single application. Once you have verified your identity online you will then be given a childcare service account.

You should apply the term before your child turns three to ensure that you can access a place when you want it. If you do not receive a code before the deadline, you will need to wait until the following term.

30 hours funding from:	Parents must apply before:	
1 January	31 December	
1 April	31 March	
1 September	31 August	

- You will be given an 11-digit PIN that you must give to your childcare provider. They will verify your PIN and discuss your childcare needs.
- You will need to hold onto your PIN, as you must reconfirm your eligibility for 30 hours and Tax-Free Childcare every three months, using your childcare service account, even if you have not yet taken up your place.
- You will be reminded to do this four weeks before the reconfirmation deadline. If you miss the reconfirmation deadline, you will receive a message that your eligibility has lapsed.
- You should log onto your childcare account and reconfirm; however, this may cause a delay.
- You must let your childcare provider know as soon as possible if you are informed that you are no longer eligible for 30 hours free childcare.
- Your child will still be entitled to 570 hours a year of free childcare.

For further information please go to the <u>Childcare and childcare funding</u> (brighton-hove.gov.uk)