

Sessions and Funding Rates September 2023

Session Times	
Core Sessions (funding can only be used for these	
sessions)	
AM 9:00 am - 12:00pm (3 hours)	
PM 12:00 pm – 3:00pm (3 hours)	
Full day 9:00 – 3:00pm (6 hours)	
Lunch care is included in the PM and full day although	
packed lunch must be provided or school meal	
purchased	
Extended Sessions (fees payable for all extended	
sessions)	
Breakfast Club 8:00am – 9:00am (1 hour) (breakfast	
provided- please arrive before 8:30 for this)	
Extended PM 3:00pm - 3:30pm (0.5 hours)	
After school club 3:00pm - 5:30pm (2.5 hours)	

Fees	
Hourly rate for all	£5.50
Pre-School children	
including after	
school club	
Consumable	£1.00 per
charge for funded	core day
children*	£0.50 for
	core AM/PM
After School Club	£9.20
for Reception and	
Y1 children (charge	
per session)	

* This charge covers consumables such as snacks, drinks, wipes, arts and crafts activities, cooking activities, suncream and other toiletries. These consumables are not covered by the local authority funded rate, which is usually significantly lower than the cost of operating. We do not apply a consumable charge to any families in receipt of Early Years Pupil premium funding, if you do not receive this funding but paying it would cause financial difficulty please speak to the setting manager.

If the consumable charge is applies to you, please note that you have the option of providing the materials it covers in place of the charge. Please contact the setting manager for details on how to do this.

The DfE Early Years Entitlements: Operational Guidance document states:

Government funding is intended to deliver 15 or 30 hours a week of free, high quality, flexible childcare. It is not intended to cover the costs of meals, other consumables, additional hours or additional activities. Parents can therefore expect to pay for any meals offered by the provider alongside their free entitlement. Parents can also expect to pay for other consumables or additional activities offered by the provider, such as nappies or trips. Where parents choose to purchase additional hours of provision, consumables or additional activities, this is a private matter between the provider and the parent. However, providers must offer alternative options for parents. This could include, for example, allowing a parent to bring in their own consumables or a packed lunch, where the meal offered is not suitable for children with specific dietary needs or the parent prefers a lower cost option. Providers should be mindful of the impact of additional charges on the most disadvantaged parents.