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Early Education and Childcare Entitlement Funding

Fees and Funding Policy at Ruskin Road Preschool

Thank you for choosing Ruskin Road Preschool as your preferred childcare provider. Please see below the Fees and Funding Policy which will provide important about our provision.

Key Information

At Ruskin Road Preschool, we are term time only, 38 weeks of the year.

Fees and Funding

Am session £21.00

PM session £18.00

You can use your funded hours for all sessions at our setting

Funded Early Education

Ruskin Road Preschool is registered with the London Borough of Sutton to offer funded early education. At the beginning of the funded term, you will need to complete and sign a Parent Declaration form to confirm that the funded entitlement can be claimed on your behalf, with relevant copies of identification such as birth certificate or passport. At Ruskin Road Preschool, we offer the following entitlements:

Working Parents Entitlement (15 hours for 9 months+ and 2 year olds and 30 hours for 3 and 4 year olds) 30 hours from September 2025 for 9 months – 3 year olds

Available for 9 months+, 2, 3 and 4 year olds working families who meet a specific eligibility criteria:

- Both parents are working, or the sole parent is working in a lone parent family, and
- Each parent earns, on average, a weekly minimum equivalent to 16 hours at national minimum wage or national living wage and earns less than £100,000 per year.

To check eligibility for the Working Parents Entitlement parents need to apply via www.childcarechoices.gov.uk. Parents will need to make an application to ensure eligibility and if successful they will receive a unique 11 digit code which must be shared with the childcare provider to take up a funded place. To continue to receive the funded hours, parents **must reconfirm their eligibility every three months**. An eligible child can take up a funded place once both eligibility criteria have been met – the term after the child's age eligibility and the term after the parent has obtained the eligibility code.

Funded Early Education for 2 year olds (whose families receive an additional form of government support)

Eligible families can access up to 15 hours of funded early education and childcare the term after their second birthday. Parents/carers need to be in receipt of help regarding finance e.g. income support, universal credit, non-financial including looked after by a local council, has an SEN statement or EHCP, receives DLA or the parent is a non-UK citizen who cannot claim benefits. To check eligibility please contact Sutton Family Information Service and either complete an online application form, email familyinfo@sutton.gov.uk or telephone 020 8770 6000.

Universal Entitlement (15 Hours for 3 and 4 year olds)

All 3 and 4 year olds become eligible for the universal entitlement of funded early education and childcare from the start of the term after their the 3rd birthday. There is no criteria attached, parents do not need to apply.

If you accept tax free childcare add in here if not delete.

Cost for Funded Sessions

Funded bookings will incur additional charges for:

- Additional hours – extra to funded hours – £7.00
- School fund - voluntary (.75p per day the child attends)

Invoicing

Invoices are sent out half termly. Billing for the coming term. If you are only accessing your funded hours invoices are given out termly.