

Funded Childcare at Antrobus Preschool Nursery



Dear Parents,

The government are in the process of rolling out funding for Working Parents in addition to the current entitlement for 2, 3- and 4-year-olds. From September 2024 working parents with children from 9 months of age will also be able to apply for funding based upon certain eligibility criteria. It is important to note that parents are responsible for applying for this funding and completing the attached form (including the eligibility code) and this term we are asking ALL parents who will receive funded hours to return this form to us at nursery by **20th June 2024**. There is some leeway with this date, but to ensure we can accomplish the tricky task of providing funded places to the vast majority of our children we need to be very organised and appreciate your support with this.

Funding is applied for term by term and there are cut off dates (see table below), meaning once the term has started you will not be able to take up any new funding until the next term, meaning if cut off dates are missed you could miss out on a full term's worth of funding. Once received, your code remains the same but every term you will have to renew your code to ensure you remain eligible. Once you have your code and complete the attached funding form pass it over to Zoe and we will do the rest!

Term	Period	Working Parent Entitlement from 9 months	Working Parent Funding for 3 and 4 year olds
Autumn Term	September- December 2024	Your child must be 9 months of age before the end of August 2024 and we must have your completed form by the end of July (this term we are asking for it sooner for organisation purposes)	Your child must be 3 before the end of August 2024 and we must have your completed form by the end of July. Additional hours required due to funding must be booked in advance
Spring 2025	January 2025- March 2025	Your child must be 9 months of age before the end of December 2024 and we must have your completed form by the end of July. It is important additional hours are booked in advance.	Your child must be 3 before the end of December 2024 and we must have your completed form by the end of July. Additional hours required due to funding must be booked in advance
Summer 2025	April 2025- August 2025	Your child must be 9 months of age before the end of March 2025 and we must have your completed form by the end of July. It is important additional hours are booked in advance	Your child must be 3 before the end of March 2025 and we must have your completed form by the end of July. Additional hours required due to funding must be booked in advance

NB. ALL 3- and 4-year-olds are eligible for 15 hours of funding, called UNIVERSAL funding. Cut off dates are the same, but you do not need to apply as no code is required. Simply complete the form attached and return to us. 2-year-olds whose parents qualify on economic grounds or who have an additional need may qualify for 15 hours a week of 2-year funding. Speak to your local children's centre or visit the childcare choices website for more information.

If you have any questions at all regarding the funding please speak to Zoe who will do her best to answer or refer them on to Claire, the funding coordinator.

It is a tricky time for us, and all childcare providers as we work to familiarise ourselves with the new funding structure and fulfil the demand for childcare spaces. For this reason, we would ask that should you require additional hours in September, you let us know with urgency. We do not have many spaces left now in September. If necessary, we will prioritise those who have funding codes ready. Claire would also like to pass on her appreciation for your support and patience when it comes to funding and invoicing at this time of change.

Many thanks,
Claire and Zoe

Concession Charge (Monthly Chargeable Extras) – 0-2 years

Description	Unit price	Line total
Free entitlement hours –15/30 hours per week over 38 or 49 weeks per year	£0	Free
Snacks for 15 hours of funding Cost of the nutritious snacks provided both morning and afternoon at nursery. Number of snacks based on 15 hours per week = 16snacks per month	£1 per snack	£16
Snacks for 30 hours of funding Cost of the nutritious snacks provided both morning and afternoon at nursery Number of snacks based on 30 hours per week = 32 snacks per month	£1 per snack	£32
Consumables for 15 hours of funding Wipes, nappies, tissues, suncream (8 days per month)	£1.75 per day (6 hours)	£14
Consumables for 30 hours of funding Wipes, nappies, tissues, suncream (16 days per month)	£1.75 per day (6 hours)	£28
Additional services Forest school teaching, equipment and resources £0 (not for this age group) Pop cats music and movement session £5 per session	£5 per month	£5
	Total 15 hours	£35
	Total 30 hours	£55 (less £10 full time discount)

You may also be eligible for further reductions through utilising other government schemes such as TAX FREE CHILDCARE. Please speak to a member of the management team for more information or support.

If you have any issues in paying the above fees please speak to nursery management directly to discuss next steps. We will always do our best to accommodate any changes as we are committed to ensuring we are inclusive for all parents and children.

Concession Charge (Monthly Chargeable Extras) – 2-3 years

Description	Unit price	Line total
Free entitlement hours –15/30 hours per week over 38 or 49 weeks per year	£0	Free
Snacks for 15 hours of funding Cost of the nutritious snacks provided both morning and afternoon at nursery. Number of snacks based on 15 hours per week = 16 snacks per month	£0.50 per snack	£8
Snacks for 30 hours of funding Cost of the nutritious snacks provided both morning and afternoon at nursery Number of snacks based on 30 hours per week = 32 snacks per month	£0.50 per snack	£16
Consumables for 15 hours of funding Wipes, nappies, tissues, suncream (8 days per month)	£1 per day (6 hours)	£8
Consumables for 30 hours of funding Wipes, nappies, tissues, suncream (16 days per month)	£1 per day (6 hours)	£16
Additional services Forest school teaching, equipment and resources 15hrs (minimum of 2/3 sessions per week) 30 hrs (minimum of 2/3 sessions per week)	15hrs- £7 p/m 30 hrs- £11 p/m	£7 £11
Pop cats music and movement session	£2	£2
	Total 15 hours	£25
	Total 30 hours	£45

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Concession Charge (Monthly Chargeable Extras) – 3-5 years



Description	Unit price	Line total
Free entitlement hours –15/30 hours per week over 38 or 49 weeks per year	£0	Free
Snacks for 15 hours of funding Cost of the nutritious snacks provided both morning and afternoon at nursery. Number of snacks based on 15 hours per week = 16 snacks per month	£0.50 per snack	£8
Snacks for 30 hours of funding Cost of the nutritious snacks provided both morning and afternoon at nursery Number of snacks based on 30 hours per week = 32 snacks per month	£0.50 per snack	£16
Consumables for 15 hours of funding Wipes, nappies, tissues, suncream (8 days per month)	£0.75 per day (6 hours)	£6
Consumables for 30 hours of funding Wipes, nappies, tissues, suncream (16 days per month)	£0.75 per day (6 hours)	£12
Additional services Forest school teaching, equipment and resources 15hrs (minimum of 2/3 sessions per week) 30 hrs (minimum of 2/3 sessions per week)	15hrs- £5 p/m 30 hrs- £10p/m	£5 £10
Pop cats music and movement session	£2	£2
	Total 15 hours	£20
	Total 30 hours	£40

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