

Stanton Community Primary School Nursery Charging Policy

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Stanton Community Primary School Nursery offers 15 hours free entitlement to Early Years childcare for 3 and 4 year olds. Children are entitled to 15 hours of free provision starting the term after their third birthday. This provision can be accessed for 38 weeks, during school term times.

I addition to this, as from 23rd April 2019 Stanton Community Primary School Nursery will also offer 30 hours free Early Years childcare for 3 and 4 year olds for those families that qualify for it. Again this provision can be accessed for 38 weeks, during school term times.

Stanton Community Primary School Nursery also offers a Lunch club. Lunch club cannot be part of the 15 hours of free entitlement, as this is not educational provision. However, those families that are eligible for 30 hours free Early Years childcare are able to use the additional 15 hours flexibly to include Lunch club. Children attending Lunch club must be provided with a packed lunch from home or they can purchase a hot school dinner or school pick and mix meal.

A charge will be made for any additional morning or afternoon sessions that are accessed over the 15 hours free entitlement (where a family does not qualify for 30 hours free childcare). Sessions are in three hour blocks and cannot be split into singular hours.

Charges

Lunch club will be charged at \pounds 2.50 per lunchtime (where this is not covered by the 30 hours free Early Years childcare for working families) plus the cost of a meal if a packed lunch from home is not provided. At the time of writing the cost of a school meal is \pounds 2.30.

Children eligible for Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP) will be provided with a free lunch during lunch club on those days where they attend both morning and afternoon Nursery. Each additional morning or afternoon session (outside any free entitlement) will be charged at £12.00.

Payment Terms

Lunch club and any school dinners will need to be booked via School Gateway and payment received at the time of booking. If payment is not received our debt procedures will be followed and could result in the Nursery Lunch Club place being withdrawn. Working families wishing to access the 30 free Early Years childcare for 3 and4 year olds must ensure that they have applied for and received their 11 digit eligibility code during the term before they wish to claim the hours. It is the parent's responsibility to do this. If the eligibility code is not received in time, the school will not be able to claim for the additional 15 hours; parents will therefore be required to pay for the additional sessions taken which will be charged at the usual rate (\pounds 12.00 per session). If payment is not received our debt procedure will be followed and could result in the Nursery place for additional hours being withdrawn.

A school lunch can be booked via School Gateway by 9.00 a.m. on the day it is required.

If chargeable additional sessions are required at any time, these must be booked via School Gateway, at least a week in advance and cannot be guaranteed. Payments needs to be provided at the time of booking.

Tax-free childcare will be accepted for payment for Lunch club and additional sessions but not for payment for a school lunch.

If your child is absent through illness or due to a holiday, fees for any booked lunch club and additional sessions will still need to be paid.

On the very rare occasions that Nursery is closed by the school, any fees already paid for lunch club and additional sessions will be reimbursed.

Wrap - Around Care

If parents require their child to be looked after either before Nursery starts in the morning or after the afternoon session finishes at 3.00 p.m. they are able to book them into Windmill Club (our Wrap-Around Care provision). Normal costs will apply. Please ask at the school office for more information.