

# Fees and Funding- Updated May 2025

# Here at Banana Moon Day Nursery, your childcare fees are inclusive of:

- Breakfast served until 8.30am
- · Mid-morning snack
- Nutritious home-cooked lunch served at 12.00pm
- Afternoon snack
- Nutritious home-cooked meal served at 4.00 pm

### **Funded childcare**

Many children are eligible for up to 570 or 1140 hours of government funded childcare over the year.

The 570 hours (is also known as 15 hours funding for term time settings). This is stretched to 11 hours a week over the year.

The 1140 hours (is also known as 30 hours funding for term time settings). This is stretched to 22 hours a week over the year.

You can book a regular booking pattern with sessions that add up to your available funding. For example, a session using 8 hours and a session using 3 hour for the 570 hours offer. Any sessions required after that are not covered by funding and will be charged at the usual day rate.

To check any eligibility criteria and to apply for funding where necessary please refer to <a href="https://www.essex.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs">https://www.essex.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs</a> <a href="https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-childcare-if-youre-working">https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-childcare-if-youre-working</a> <a href="https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk">https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk</a>

Funded session Available	le Cost (subsidised by funding)		Total Amount of Funded Hours Used	
8.00am – 6.00pm	0am – 6.00pm U2 - £18.50 / Over 2 - £25.50		8 hours (15 or 30hrs Funded)	
8.00am – 1.00pm	U2 - £22.50 / Over 2 - £28.50		3 hours (15 or 30hrs Funded)	
1.00pm – 6.00pm	U2 - £22.50 / Over 2 - £28.50		3 hours (15 or 30hrs Funded)	
1.00pm - 6.00pm	£0.00 *		5 hours (15 or 30hrs Funded)	
*This session only includes a small snack. It does not include meals or consumables above the basic EYFS				
Additional Services / Days		Cos	Cost	
Half Day Sessions: 8.00am – 1.00pm or 1.00pm – 6.00pm		£46.50 (all ages)		
Full Day Session: 8.00am – 6.00pm		£85.00 (age 0-2) / £79.50 (age 2+)		
Early Start: 7.30am-8.00am (bookable in advance)		£6.50		
Late Session: 6.00pm-6.30pm (bookable in advance)		£6.50		
Cooked Tea (fully funded sessions only)		£5.50		
Daily Extra curricular activities (fully funded only)*		£3.00 per session		
* to cover activities such as baking/gardening/fun days/gift and card making/graduation etc				
Additional Charges		Cost		
Late collection charge		£15.00 per 15 minutes		
Registration fee		£25.00		
Deposit (deductible off invoices)		1 week		



# Opening times are 7.30/8.00am – 6.00/6.30pm

We are closed on all Bank Holidays. These are chargeable in full. We also close for 3 days between Christmas and New Year, these are not chargeable. We close at 4pm on Christmas eve.

### **Fully Funded Session**

All fully funded sessions detailed within this document do not include meals or consumables used over and above the basic EYFS. A small snack is the only food included. Any funded sessions are subsidised by funding, and as such do not cover all the costs of providing sessions. Should you wish for your child to eat our home cooked tea and/or partake in the activities we provide over and above the basic EYFS, then these are available at the costs shown above and will be added to your invoice upon your request. Please do speak to the Manager if you have any difficulties, or if you are a disadvantaged family as there may be other funding / options to help cover these charges.

Registration fee, may not be charged for funded sessions only, please speak to the Manager.

### **Invoicing**

Parents are billed in advance and must be paid by the first of the month for your child to attend. Please note that bills will vary monthly. All bank holidays are chargeable.

# **Deposits**

We may ask for a non-refundable deposit to be paid at a rate of 1 full week of attendance. This will be deducted off your first months' bill. If there is any balance remaining it will be deducted of your second months' bill. Any balance after that will be repaid to you, unless you write to us to say otherwise.

# **Funding**

We will provide sessions to support parents to claim all types of funding available. Current Government guidance says that the following funding is / will be available:

Age group (from):	Number of funded hours:	Date available :
9 months old	570 hours	Currently available (if eligible)
9 months old	1140 hours	September 2025 (if eligible)
2 year old	570 hours	Currently available (if eligible)
2 year old	1140 hours	September 2025 (if eligible)
3 year old	570 hours	Currently available for all
3 year old	1140 hours	Currently available (if eligible)

It is parent's / guardian's responsibility to apply for funding and ensure they renew codes / check eligibility as necessary. If we find that funding is not available for any reason to cover the sessions, any sessions booked to date plus an additional 4 week notice period will be charged at our day rate. This may cover more than a term. This notice period includes a reduction in sessions. Stretched funding is stretched to cover as much as possible for parents. For example, if a child starts receiving funding after September there may not be enough hours to stretch through the entire year, or through all of the summer. We apply the funding following the Local Authority Guidelines.

## **Inset Days**

There is usually a maximum of one inset day per term for funded sessions for essential staff training. We plan these to minimise any disruption and we will inform you of any Inset days in advance.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak with Nursery management or email <a href="mailto:info@bananamoon-harlow.co.uk">info@bananamoon-harlow.co.uk</a>.

