

Esklets Preschool Fees Policy

Please see the government website <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/> for advice and information

Policy for children entitled to 2, 3 and 4 year old funding (15 hours or 30 hours)

All children are entitled to 15 hours of government funded childcare from the school term after their 3rd birthday (cut off birthdates for each term are 31st December, 31st March and 31st August). It is Esklets responsibility to provide you with a parental agreement form so that we can put this in place.

Children of some working parents are entitled to a further 15 hours (30 hours total) of government funding. It is the responsibility of parents to apply for this and have this in place before the term cut off dates (as above). Failure to do this will result in you being charged for the extra 15 hours entitlement.

Some 2 year olds are entitled to 15 hours of government funded childcare. If you do not receive notification from your Local Authority and think you may be eligible, please ask for information, or look on the website above.

Funding is available for 38 weeks of the year during school termtime.

Childcare above the funded entitlement hours is available, and will be charged at £6 an hour.

We ask for a voluntary consumables contribution of 50p per funded half-day session (£1 per full day). Invoices will be handed out at the beginning of the half term.

Fees for children who are not entitled to 2, 3 and 4 year old funding

If your child is not entitled to funded childcare, you will be charged an hourly rate of £6 an hour.

Fees will still be payable during periods of sickness, holiday and other absences.

Monthly childcare fee invoices will be handed out at the beginning of the month. These invoices will need to be paid within 14 days of receipt. Late payments may incur a late fee.

Funded and fee-paying children

Hours are agreed in advance within our opening hours of 8.30 – 4.00. We ask that hours are fitted within our sessions, with a flexible start and end time. Possible choices could be 9 -12, or 8.45 – 3.15, or 8.30 – 1.00, for example. If your hours include any partial hours they will be charged as half hour increments per day.

Morning session: Between 8.30 & 9.00 – 12

Lunch session: 12.00 – 1.00

Afternoon session: 1.00 – between 3.00 & 4.00

If you require occasional or one-off extra attendance we will endeavour to accommodate your needs. Any additional hours will be charged at £6 an hour and will be put on the next month's invoice.

Except for in the case of a genuine emergency, children collected more than ten minutes late, or dropped off earlier than agreed, will incur a penalty fee of £3 per half hour.