

FEE SHEET

(incl. funded rates and consumables charges)



NORDIC STAR
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Opening hours

- Our nursery is open Monday to Friday from 7.30am to 6.30pm
- We are open 51 weeks of the year apart from bank holidays, the one-week shut down over the Christmas period and in addition, a 1pm closure on December 23rd.
- There will be a maximum of five inset staff training days a year during which the nursery will be closed, families will be informed at least two weeks in advance.

MONTHLY FEES

Age of child	Days per week	UNFUNDED	FUNDED Monthly contribution on top of funding	
		Standard monthly fee	15 hours funding	30 hours funding
3 months to 2 years	2.5	1,382	802	460
	3.0	1,616	1,036	570
	3.5	1,885	1,305	870
	4.0	2,097	1,517	1,100
	4.5	2,360	1,780	1,360
	5.0	2,562	1,982	1,608
2 to 3 years	2.5	1,382	943	705
	3.0	1,616	1,177	945
	3.5	1,885	1,446	1,195
	4.0	2,097	1,658	1,410
	4.5	2,360	1,921	1,555
	5.0	2,562	2,083	1,649
Over 3 year olds (NB: not including universal funding rate)	2.5	1,358	1,048	899
	3.0	1,587	1,277	1,115
	3.5	1,852	1,542	1,350
	4.0	2,059	1,749	1,595
	4.5	2,317	2,007	1,727
	5.0	2,437	2,127	1,847

Please note that if you need your child to attend 7.30-8am or 6-6.30pm, these sessions need to be booked separately (at £13 per hour / £6.50 per 30 minutes). This wraparound care is included in the price for full-time (five full days per week) bookings.



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BETTER BEGINNINGS

GOVERNMENT FUNDING – VOLUNTARY CONSUMABLES FEE OVERVIEW*

Early years funding from the Government is intended to pay for basic childcare. This means that a monthly private contribution is required to cover extras that form a key part of our overall offering but are not covered by the early years funding. This contribution charge is applied where necessary to facilitate access to the features that allow for the overall Nordic Star care package as intended.

Please note that the funding allocation is stretched to cover 51 weeks a year which reduces the weekly allocation to 11.18 hours per week for 15-hour funding and similarly, 22.3 hours per week for 30-hour funding. Please note, for 2.5-day plans, your government funding entitlement is capped at 25 hours, in line with your actual attendance.

Funded places are subject to availability, and fully funded places can only be offered in certain allocated blocks. By signing up to the nursery, you acknowledge that the standard fees reflect the value of the overall enriched care and education package provided by Nordic Star. Priority is given to booking patterns of over 3 days a week in case of waiting list.

The following voluntary daily consumables fees are currently included in our standard service package prices. As per the latest government regulations, parents have the option to opt out of these consumables fees if they are pursuing a Funded place at the nursery. Please contact the Nursery Manager to discuss your specific arrangement and availability.

DAILY CONSUMABLES FEES

DAILY FEES	9-23 months	24-35months	36+ months
Food	£10	£10	£10
Non-food consumables	£3	£2	£2
Activities and enrichment	£30	£35	£35

Covered by the fees (included but not limited to), not available for Funding Only places without separate payment of daily fees:

Food: Snacks, three meals (prepared freshly on site) according to a nutritionist-designed seasonal menu, milk and other drinks, lounge snacks and coffee, seasonal celebrations



Non-food consumables: Nappies, wipes, suncream, emergency medication, weather clothing, specialist subject materials (STEM equipment and projects, crafts, materials, instruments)

Activities and enrichment: FinlandWay® activities, structured outdoor learning and exploration activities, forest school and gardening, baking, weekly extracurricular classes (ZipZap, yoga, music, STEM), theatre and museum visits, foreign language enrichment, specialist visits and lectures, Family messaging and documentation platform and mobile application

Any ad-hoc hours, early starts and late pickups need to be covered from private funds.

Whilst the daily charges above remain voluntary, if you refuse or are unable to pay the Consumables fee, then you will need to speak to our Manager to discuss further. There is both an operational and financial impact on the nursery when these are not paid.

We do offer Fully Funded, or Funded Entitlement Only (FEO) places which are subject to availability and offered in a set booking pattern. The number of these placements available will be dependent on availability.

Placements which require no additional costs do have an operational and financial impact on our nurseries. Therefore, places such as these are subject to availability. This is to ensure the care we provide for all our children isn't affected, and that our nursery can continue to operate sustainably.

**All fees subject to review from March 2026 when 2026-27 funding rates and London minimum wage data become available and nursery operational costs are reviewed.*

OTHER FEE-RELATED INFORMATION

Annualisation

To provide you with a consistent bill we calculate the weekly charge, multiply by the number of weeks in the year the setting is open, to give the total annual charge. Then we divide by the number of months in the year to reach the monthly invoice amount. The annualisation is based on a rolling period beginning from each booking pattern date.

Ad hoc bookings

In addition to your child's regular attendance, we also offer ad-hoc days. The cost of an ad-hoc day is £65 per half a day (8am-1pm or 1-6pm) or £130 for the full day (8am-6pm). Please ask your nursery management team for up-to-date availability.

Discounts

We offer a sibling discount of up to 10% (5% per additional sibling) which is applied to the elder child's invoice.

Minimum booking pattern

We currently have a minimum booking of 5 sessions (two and a half days' total per week) required.



Funding eligibility and availability

To check your up-to-date funding choices and your eligibility, please visit **Childcare Choices** for all up to-date information at <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk> .

These funded places are available for working parents and those who receive some form of government support. Funding arrangements require an individual code from the Council.

Please check with the Council or the government portal on a regular basis that your funding code is valid and for what period of time as we will be unable to provide you with funded rates if your entitlement cannot be verified.

Tax-Free Childcare scheme replaces childcare vouchers but if you are already using vouchers, you can continue to do so. For every £8 you pay into your tax-free childcare account, the Government will add an extra £2, making a possible saving of up to £2,000 per child per year.

Working families who are eligible for Universal Credit, can claim back up to 85% of their monthly childcare costs.

We also work with workplace schemes like **Enjoy Benefits**.