



THE NURTURY DAY NURSERY AND PRESCHOOL

FEES AND FUNDING POLICY

Purpose of This Policy

This policy outlines the structure and charging of fees at The Nurtury to ensure transparency for families and compliance with all relevant legislation, including the Early Education and Childcare statutory guidance and the EYFS (2025).

Our Principles

- We are committed to delivering high-quality, inclusive, and accessible childcare.
- We ensure our fee structure is fair, sustainable, and clearly communicated.
- We comply with all government funding requirements and ensure that there are no hidden charges.

Funded Early Education Entitlement

The Nurtury offers funded early education places in line with government entitlements.

Date of Birth Criteria for Funding Eligibility	
A child will be entitled to the funded hours after the conditions below are satisfied: • The child has attained the relevant age. • The child's parents have a current positive determination of eligibility from HMRC.	
A Child Born on or between	Will Become Eligible for a funded place
1st Jan and 31st March	1st April: -Following child turning 9 months -Following child's 2nd Birthday -Following child's 3rd birthday
1st April and 31st August	1st September: -Following child turning 9 months -Following child's 2nd Birthday -Following child's 3rd birthday
1st September and 31st December	1st January: -Following child turning 9 months -Following child's 2nd Birthday -Following child's 3rd birthday

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The funded hours are stretched over 51 weeks of the year.. Please note that the number of funded hours your child receives may vary depending on their start date.

Nil-cost places are available on a term-time only basis (38 weeks per year). These places are limited and subject to availability. They are not part of the stretched offer and are strictly limited to the government-funded entitlement only — i.e. 15 or 30 hours per week.

Lewisham 2's is formally known as disadvantaged 2's entitlement only.

-A minimum attendance of either 2.5 full days or five half-day sessions per week is required.

Age of Child	15-hour entitlement stretched over 51 weeks	Weekly 30-hour entitlement stretched over 51 weeks	Weekly Nil Cost hours. Term time only-38 weeks
9 months to 23 months	N/A	22.35h	30h
2-year-olds	Only available for Lewisham 2's 11.17h	22.35h	30h
3 & 4 year olds	11.17h	22.35h	15h or 30h

Funded Early Education Entitlement Charges for 30 Hours

The Nurtury Fees For Weekly Funded Sessions

30 hours entitlement stretched over 51 weeks (22.35 hours per week)

-A minimum attendance of either 2.5 full days or five half-day sessions per week is required.

-£12.00 per day optional enhanced provision charge includes meals, consumables, and enrichment activities. These charges are broken down in the table below:

FH-Funded Hours

PH-Private Hours

Days of Attendance	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Weekly Charge	Monthly Charge
2.5	£12.00 10 FH	£12.00 10 FH	£2.82 2.35 FH £26.50 2.65 PH			£53.32	£226.61
3	£12.00 10 FH	£12.00 10 FH	£2.82 2.35 FH £76.50 7.65 PH			£103.32	£439.11
4	£12.00 10 FH	£12.00 10 FH	£2.82 2.35 FH £76.50 7.65 PH	£100.00		£203.32	£864.11
5	£12.00 10 FH	£12.00 10 FH	£2.82 2.35 FH £76.50 7.65 PH	£100.00	£100.00	£303.32	£1,289.11
Term Time Only	Nil-cost places are available on a term-time only basis (38 weeks per year). These places are limited and subject to availability. They are not part of the stretched offer and are strictly limited to the government-funded entitlement only					£0.00	£0.00

Funded Early Education Entitlement Charges for 15 Hours

The Nurtury Fees For Weekly Funded Sessions

15 hours entitlement stretched over 51 weeks (11.17 hours per week)

-A minimum attendance of either 2.5 full days or 5 half-day sessions per week is required.

-£12.00 per day optional enhanced provision charge includes meals, consumables, and enrichment activities. These charges are broken down in the table below: Optional Enhanced Provision Charges.

FH-Funded Hours

PH-Private Hours

Days of Attendance	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Weekly Charge	Monthly Charge
2.5	£12.00 10 FH	£1.40 1.17 FH	£50.00			£151.70	£644.72
		£88.30 8.83 PH					
3	£12.00 10 FH	£1.40 1.17 FH £88.30 8.83 PH	£100			£201.70	£857.22
4	£12.00 10 FH	£1.40 1.17 FH £88.30 8.83 PH	£100	£100.00		£301.70	£1282.22
5	£12.00 10 FH	£1.40 1.17 FH £88.30 8.83 PH	£100	£100.00	£100.00	£401.70	£1,707.22
Term Time Only	Nil-cost places are available on a term-time only basis (38 weeks per year). These places are limited and subject to availability. They are not part of the stretched offer and are strictly limited to the government-funded entitlement only.					£0.00	£0.00

Optional Enhanced Provision Charges

The Nurtury is pleased to offer government-funded early education hours, which are provided free of charge in line with your child's statutory entitlement. Families will not be charged for the funded hours themselves.

In line with Department for Education guidance, government funding covers the core delivery of early education and care only, not the costs of meals, consumables, additional hours, or enrichment activities. To maintain the high-quality care, learning, and experiences we believe every child deserves, The Nurtury applies optional enhanced provision charges for essential additional services, including:

- Nutritious meals and snacks
- Consumables
- Enrichment activities

While these contributions are optional in accordance with statutory guidance, they are vital in enabling us to offer a consistent, high-quality experience that fully supports the care, well-being, and development of each child.

Optional Enhanced Provision Breakdown		
Enhanced Provision Item	Daily Charge	Details
Meals & Snacks Breakfast 75p AM Snacks 75p Lunch £3.00 PM Snack 75p Tea £1.75	£7.00	Includes a healthy breakfast, a healthy morning snack (fresh fruit or vegetables), a nutritious hot lunch (main course and dessert prepared on-site), an afternoon snack (fresh fruit or vegetables and crackers), and a light tea (such as wraps, pasta or soup with fruit). Milk and water are available throughout the day
Consumables	£2.00	Includes nappies, fragrance-free wipes, barrier creams (Sudocrem), tissues, disposable gloves, sun cream (child-safe SPF 50+), and other hygiene-related consumables used to maintain high standards of cleanliness and personal care.
Enrichment Activities	£3.00	Covers weekly French Classes, PE sessions, live music and rhythm sessions (Boogie Mites) with specialist staff. Yoga and mindfulness activities, cooking and baking sessions, arts and drama experiences, cultural celebrations, nursery celebrations, calendar events, trips and visits from external specialists such as animal workshops and musicians. Home-work packs.
Total Enhanced Provision Daily Charge	£12.00	
Parents who wish to opt out of any element of the optional daily charge must submit a written request and provide suitable, high-quality alternatives that fully meet The Nurtury's operational standards, nutritional policies, safeguarding procedures, and learning and development objectives. Any such arrangement is subject to approval by the Nursery Manager.		

Fees for Private Sessions

The Nurtury Private Day Fees

A minimum attendance of either 2.5 full days or five half-day sessions per week is required.

Private fees include meals, consumables, and enrichment activities.

Full day session 8.00 am-6.00 pm

For all ages	1 Day	2.5 Days	3 Days	4 Days	5 Days
Per Week	£100.00	£250.00	*£291.00	*£388.00	**£450.00
Per Month	N/A	£1,062.50	*£1,236.75	*£1,649.00	**£1,912.50

*This includes 3% discount for three full days' attendance

**This includes a 10% discount for five full days' attendance

The Nurtury Fees For Half-Day Private Sessions

A minimum attendance of five half-day sessions per week is required.

Private fees include meals, consumables, and enrichment activities.

AM session 8.00 am-1.00 pm

PM session 1.00 pm - 6.00 pm

For all ages	1 Session	5 sessions
Per Week	£60.00	£300.00
Per Month	N/A	£1275.00

Deposits and Registration Fees

- A non-refundable registration fee of £100.00 is payable upon securing a place.
- A deposit of £100.00 is required, which will be fully refundable.

Billing and Payments

- Invoices are issued monthly in advance.
- Fees must be paid by the 1st of each month.
- We accept:
 - Direct Debit (preferred payment method)
 - Bank transfers
 - Tax-Free Childcare payments
 - Funded hours (via local authority)
 - Work schemes (e.g. Enjoy benefits)

Late payment may result in a £50.00 charge and possible suspension of your child's place.

Discounts

- We offer a 5% sibling discount, applied to the fees of the oldest child. Please note that this discount does not apply to any sessions covered by government funding.
- We offer a 10% discount for children who attend full-time, 5 days a week, with no funding entitlement.
- We offer 3% for children who attend three or more days a week with no funding entitlement.

Absence, Holidays and Closures

- Fees remain payable in full regardless of your child's attendance, including but not limited to absences due to illness, holidays, or other personal reasons.
- We are open 51 weeks per year and closed for one week at Christmas, all UK public holidays and two staff training days a year.. Fees remain payable during public holidays and staff training days.

Notice Periods

We require six weeks' written notice for any reduction in days or sessions, or to withdraw your child's place at The Nurtury.

Review and Changes

We review our fees annually. Parents will receive at least one month's notice of any changes to charges or terms.

Contact and Queries

If you have any questions about this policy or your child's fees, please contact the manager on 07473 806760 (mobile) or 020 7018 8661 (landline) or info@thenurturylondon.co.uk