

The Early Bird Pre-School CIC

Guide to Fees and Funding

2024 - 2025



Fees

September 2024 – 38 weeks a year (term time only)

Times	Session	Hours	Charges			
			3 years plus – hours above any entitlement	2 - 3 years – hours above any entitlement	Under 2's – hours above any entitlement	Additional Care charge – all children
8.00 – 8.30	Breakfast Club	½ hour	£3.75	£4.50	£5.50	50p
8.30 – 11.30	Morning session	3 hours	£22.50	£27	£33	£1
9.00 – 11.30	Morning session	2 ½ hours	£18.75	£22.50	£27.50	£1
11.30 – 12.30	Lunch club	1 hour	£7.50	£9	£11	50p
12.30 – 3.30	Afternoon session	3 hours	£22.50	£27	£33	£1

Care Charge Note

The funding we receive from the government only allows us to cover the cost of staffing within government guidelines and building costs. To ensure sustainability of our pre-school the care charge will be added to your invoice and contributes towards lots of additional costs including but not exclusive: snacks, cooking ingredients, daily play-doh ingredients, wipes, tissues, toilet rolls, hand wash, sun cream, cleaning products and other consumables. Please supply own nappies. If you would like a particular brand of wipes, please supply these alongside nappies.

Government funding support available (September 2024) – 38 weeks a year (term time)

(please check www.childcarechoices.gov for eligibility and to apply for your code)

At Early Birds, families will be able to access their childcare support entitlement from the term after their child's first birthday.

Childcare support for 1 – 2-year-olds – working families

Families of children aged over one who are working may be entitled to **15 hours per week** across 38 weeks.

Childcare support for 2-year-olds - supported families

Families of 2-year-olds who receive additional government support may be entitled to **15 hours per week** across 38 weeks. If the care charge or deposit is a barrier to your child receiving their entitlement please speak to us, we may be able to help.

Universal funding for 3–4-year-olds

All families of 3–4-year-olds are entitled to **15 hours per week** of childcare support across 38 weeks. If the care charge or deposit is a barrier to your child receiving their entitlement please speak to us, we may be able to help

Childcare support for 3–4-year-olds – working families

Working families with a 3–4-year-old may be entitled to an additional 15 hours childcare support per week (**30 hours per week in total**) across 38 weeks.

You can start your entitlement from the term following your child's 2nd or 3rd birthday (on receiving a signed acceptance of place form).

Birth date falls between	Entitlement Start date
1 st January – 31 st March	1 st April
1 st April – 31 st August	1 st September
1 st September – 31 st December	1 st January

Refundable Deposit – Once offered a place we require a refundable deposit of £25 to secure your space. This will be refunded to you on completion of one month at Early Bird. This is non-refundable if you decide not to take up your place.

Notice Period – we require a minimum of 6 weeks' notice to terminate your contract with Early Bird.

Invoices – will be sent to you two weeks prior to the start of each half term date. Payment will be due on the first date of each half term.

Payments – invoices can be made using bank transfer, childcare vouchers or children's tax free childcare (find us at The Early Bird Pre-School CIC, West View, Letchworth Garden City, SG6 1QN for all settings).

TERMS & CONDITIONS APPLY

The Early Bird Pre-School CIC

West View
Letchworth Garden City
SG6 1QN

The Early Bird Pre-School (Wheathampstead)

Beech Hyde Primary School and Nursery
Nurseries Road
Wheathampstead
AL5 8TP

The Early Bird Pre-School (Strathmore)

Strathmore Infant School and Nursery
Old Hale Way
Hitchin
SG5 1XR

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