

## The Early Bird Pre-School (Letchworth)

# **Guide to Fees and Funding 2024 - 2025**

### **Applicable from September 2024**







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

Charges Per Hour			
3 years plus	2 - 3 years	Under 2's	
£7.50	£9	£11	

Daily Additional Care Charge		
Breakfast Club	50p	
Morning session	£1	
Lunch Club	50p	
Afternoon Session	£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 snacks, cooking ingredients, daily play-doh ingredients, wipes, tissues, toilet rolls, hand wash, sun cream, cleaning products and other consumables.

Please supply your own nappies. If you would like a particular brand of wipes, please supply this alongside nappies.

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

Families will be able to access their childcare support entitlement from the term after their child's first birthday.

#### NEW Childcare support for children aged 9+ months – working families

Eligible working parents are 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.

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

Once you have your code you can use your entitlement as follows (subject to availability): -

15 hours per week entitlement	30 hours entitlement
(38 weeks of year – term time)	(38 weeks of year – term time)
5 x morning or afternoon sessions	5 x sessions (8.30am-3.30pm)
4 x morning or afternoon sessions with lunch	4 x full days (8.00am-3.30pm)
2 x full days (8.00 – 3.30)	

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

Birth date falls between	Entitlement Start date
1 <sup>st</sup> January – 31 <sup>st</sup> March	1 <sup>st</sup> April
1 <sup>st</sup> April – 31 <sup>st</sup> August	1 <sup>st</sup> September
1 <sup>st</sup> September – 31 <sup>st</sup> December	1 <sup>st</sup> 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 Birds. 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 Birds.

**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.

#### **TERMS & CONDITIONS APPLY**

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