

## **Working family funded childcare**

This scheme is for qualifying working parents. The funded hours are provided across 38 weeks during term time and, if you're living with your partner you'll need to apply together.

Parents:

- Should be working at least 16 hours a week
- Can be on sick leave or parental leave
- Must each earn less than £100,000 a year
- Might still be eligible while claiming benefits.

We 'stretch' these hours over 51 weeks. When you are eligible for 30 hours you can access up to 22.35 funded hours per week.

You check your eligibility on the government website, visit [gov.uk](http://gov.uk) and follow the relevant links.

## **Universal funded childcare for 3 year olds**

This funding goes towards 15 hours of childcare across 38 weeks of term time. All parents of 3 and 4 year olds can access this scheme. We 'stretch' these hours over the whole year for more flexibility to give 11.18 funded hours per week over 51 weeks.

## **Additional hours**

We can offer your child more than their funded hours per week, if you need them. These additional hours are paid for and are referred to as non-funded hours.

## **Little Steps Complete**

It is important to know that Government funding does not cover the full cost of childcare. It covers core hours but excludes essential extras like meals, nappies, extra hours, enrichment activities and trips.

For every funded session, we ask parents to contribute towards our meals, additional activities and all consumables such as nappies, wipes and sun cream as these are not covered by the funding we receive. To keep things simple, we include these charges in our Little Steps Complete package, providing an all-inclusive rate ensuring the best quality experience for your child and peace of mind and convenience for you.

If you could like more information please speak to the nursery manager, Mary Buchanan-Brown

## **Fee example**

Refer to the fees breakdown of how this looks for a three day per week place.