



Flo's Nature Nursery

Sessions and charges from April 2023

We aim to make our nursery as accessible as possible to families in the community and therefore aim to ensure our fees are as competitive and straightforward as possible.

Session times for and charges for 2 year olds

Attendance	Session Times	Fees
Morning Session	8.45am – 12.45pm	£28.68
Afternoon Session	1.00 – 5.00pm	£28.68
All Day	8.45am – 5.00pm	£59.02*
Breakfast Club	8.15 – 8.45am	£5.50

**the All Day fee includes the extra 15 minutes at lunch times*

Parents are also able to book ad-hoc sessions (subject to availability). These are charged at £32.68 per core session. The ad-hoc fees for Breakfast Club remain the same.

Session times for and charges for 3 and 4 year olds

For government funding purposes children are classed as two year olds until the term after they turn three, that is from: 1st April, 1st September and 1st January.

It is essential for planning ratios, fees and places that our fees are in line with this. So if your child turns three between September and December they will start paying the lower rate from the following January – at the same time as they become entitled to the government funding for 3 sessions (or 6 sessions if entitled to 30 hour funding).

Attendance	Session Times	Fees
Morning Session	8.45am – 12.45pm	£26.60
Afternoon Session	1.00 – 5.00pm	£26.60

All Day	8.45am – 5.00pm	£54.86*
Breakfast Club	8.15 – 8.45am	£5.50

**the All Day fee includes the extra 15 minutes at lunch times*

Parents are also able to book ad-hoc sessions (subject to availability). These are charged at £30.60 per core session. The ad-hoc fees for Breakfast Club remain the same.

Our fees include healthy meals provided by our onsite cafe serving fresh and seasonal food, as well as snacks and regular local trips and outings and special experiences.

Registration fee and advance payments

A non-refundable registration fee of £50 is payable with your full application documents to secure a place as soon as one has been offered. Once your child's sessions have been agreed a refundable deposit will also be required. This is in case there are any outstanding fees when a child leaves the setting and it will be returned upon payment of the final invoice at the end of your child's attendance at our provision. The amount equals a month's fees or £250 whichever is the lower.

The registration fee is refundable for fully funded children (e.g. those who are accessing the government funded places only). It will be refunded when your child takes up the place and you return the signed Parental Declaration for the applicable term.

Fees for your child's sessions are payable one month in advance, so fees for January will be invoiced at the beginning of December and are due on the 1st of January.

As a non profit making charity we rely on prompt fee payments to be able to meet our running costs and to provide equipment and resources.

Late Collection Fees

We reserve the right to charge £10 for every 15 minutes that your child is collected late. This is to cover our increased staffing costs.

Government Funded Places

Government funding is available for all 3 and 4 year-olds and some 2 year-olds in England. Places are normally funded over 38 weeks/year. At Flo's we want to make access to the free entitlement as flexible as possible - this is why we stretch the funding across 48 weeks as opposed to the term-time-only 38 week period. This enables families to access more weeks of funded hours than would otherwise be available to them if restricted under a term time only structure. So if you are eligible for 15 hours/week term-time only, at Flo's you will receive 12 hours/week over 48 weeks/year and if you are eligible for 30 hours/week you will receive 24 hours/week.

Government Funded Places for 2 year olds

Government Funded Places We offer funded places for eligible 2-year-olds for 12 hours per week. To be able to take up these hours of free early education for your two-year-old you must meet the eligibility criteria. Please visit

<https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/free-childcare-2-year-olds> for further information. Meals and snacks are provided within the government funding but you will need to provide any nappies your child will need for each session. There are no other charges for funded two-year-olds.

Government Funded places for 3 and 4 year olds

Government funding is available for all 3 and 4 year-old children in England, and there are two main levels of support depending on whether or not you meet the eligibility criteria - the 15 hour offer and the 30 hour offer. These offers are available from the beginning of the term following your child's 3rd birthday.

The following websites offer useful information on eligibility and how the systems work:

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

<https://www2.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/free-early-education-3-4-year-olds-0>

'15 hour offer'

All 3 and 4-year-olds in England currently receive 570 hours per year of free child-care. At Flo's

we stretch this over 48 weeks instead of the more common 15 hours/week term time only approach. This means you are entitled to 12 hours/week. If your child is eligible you will be offered 3 sessions of 4 hours each. If you require more sessions, you can also pay for additional sessions at the standard rate per session. Breakfast Club sessions may also be booked at the usual rate.

'30 hour offer'

If their parents are living and working in England, 3 and 4-year-olds may be entitled to 30 hours funded childcare, which is up to 1,140 hours per year in total - please check the links above to see if you are eligible. If eligible you will be entitled to access 24 hours - that is 6 core sessions of 4 hours each per week. If you require more sessions, you can also pay for additional sessions at the standard rate per session. Breakfast Club sessions may also be booked at the usual rate.

Important please read - Extras

The government funding only covers the basic provision. To enable us to continue to provide a high staff ratio, high quality resources and healthy nutritious food we need to apply a small Extras charge of £6.80 session to funded sessions. To support families on a lower income, Flo's will cover the cost of this charge for any children receiving means-tested funding, such as Pupil Premium.

We do not want any child to be excluded due to financial hardship, so please speak to us in confidence if you are struggling to pay the fees.