



Flo's Forest School at Barracks Lane Garden

Times and charges from April 2026

Opening Times

Flo's Forest School operates Tuesday to Thursday from 9.30am - 2.30pm. Please note that for continuity of the provision all places offered come as a block of these 15 hours. It is not possible to only book some of these days.

Government Funding

Government funding is available for all 3 and 4 year-olds and many 2 year-olds in England. Places are funded over 38 weeks/year. Please visit <https://beststartinlife.gov.uk/> for detailed information on eligibility and deadline to apply.

Government Funded places for 3 and 4 year olds

Government funding is available for all 3 and 4 year-old children in England for 15 hours/week. These offers are available from the beginning of the term following your child's 3rd birthday, i.e. from the 1st January, 1st April or 1st September.

If you also qualify for an additional 15 hours/week for working family funding (for a combined 30 hours/week), only a maximum of 15 hours/week can be claimed at Flo's Forest School. You may arrange to use your remaining 15 hours/week entitlement at a different setting.

Government Funded Places for 2 year olds

For 2 year old children there are two types of support, depending on whether you meet the eligibility criteria.

- **Government Funded Places for 2-year-olds in receipt of other support**

We offer funded places for eligible 2-year-olds receiving additional government support for 15 hours/week. To be able to take up these hours of funded early education for your two-year-old you must meet the eligibility criteria.

- **Government Funded Places for Working Families 2-year-olds**

We also offer funded places for 2-year-olds of eligible working families in England. This place is for 15 hours/week. You must apply for a code in the term before your child is due to start. That is 31 December, 31st March, or 31st August. We will verify your code is valid to claim before offering you a working family funded place. The offer is available in the beginning of the term after your child's 2nd birthday even if you are eligible for funding from 9 months.

For further information on funding, please visit

<https://beststartinlife.gov.uk/childcare-early-years-education/15-and-30-hours-support/>

Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP)

Some children may be eligible for Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP). The eligibility criteria are available on the [council website](#). We apply for this funding for children who complete the relevant section of the Parental Declaration Form and will notify you if you qualify - application for this funding will not affect your other benefits.

Disability Access Funding (DAF)

Disability Access Funding is available for children who are:

- Currently in receipt of Disability Living Allowance
- receiving funded early education as a 9-23-month, 2 or 3 & 4-year-old

To be eligible for DAF, the child must be named on their current DLA award letter (children whose siblings attract DLA but don't themselves would not be eligible).

This funding can only be used at one provider and cannot be shared. To nominate Flo's as their chosen provider, parents should complete the relevant section on the Parental Declaration form to receive DAF if they share their funded hours between more than one provider.

For full details please visit:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/children-and-families/information-parents/find-childcare/help-paying-childcare/funding-children-send>

Fee payments

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.

If your child is not yet eligible for government funding, you will be invoiced for their sessions at the rates below. Fees 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.

Session times for and charges

Session Times	Fees 2 year olds	Fees 3 year olds
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9.30am - 2.30pm (15hrs/week)	£154.89/week	£123.90/week

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 become eligible for the government funded sessions from the following January.

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.

Withdrawing funded hours notice period

A 14 day notice period (including weekends, holidays, and closure days) is required to withdraw government funded hours. This is counted from the day of your child's last attendance or the date you give written notice, whichever is earlier.

If you are moving your funding to a new provider during the notice period, your new provider cannot claim funding until the 14 day notice period at Flo's is finished.