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# Fees & Funding Guide

**2026–27**

Private fees and government-funded hours explained

## Private fees (non-funded)

### Babies & Tots

Babies room (3 months–2 years) · Tots room (2–3 years)

**£8.40 per hour**

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|---|---|
| Full Day<br>7:30am – 6:00pm | **£88.20** |
| AM Session<br>7:30am – 1:00pm | **£46.20** |
| PM Session<br>1:30pm – 6:00pm | **£37.80** |

### Pre-School

Pre-School room (3–5 years)

**£7.50 per hour**

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| Full Day<br>7:30am – 6:00pm | **£78.75** |
| AM Session<br>7:30am – 1:00pm | **£41.25** |
| PM Session<br>1:30pm – 6:00pm | **£33.75** |

### How fees are paid

- Fees are calculated over **50 weeks** of the year and spread into **12 equal monthly payments**, so your monthly fee stays the same all year.
- Invoices are issued monthly through our parent app.
- We accept **Tax-Free Childcare**.
- Private fees are **all inclusive**: breakfast, snacks, lunch, afternoon tea, nappies, wipes and PPE. Suncream is charged separately from April to September.

### Worked example

A baby attending 2 full days a week: 2 × £88.20 × 50 weeks ÷ 12 months = **£735.00 per month**.
A pre-schooler attending 2 full days a week: 2 × £78.75 × 50 weeks ÷ 12 months = **£656.25 per month**.

### Opening times

Monday to Friday, 7:30am – 6:00pm, 52 weeks of the year. We are closed on bank holidays and between Christmas and New Year.

Monthly fees for every session pattern, funded and unfunded, are on page 3.

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# Government-Funded Hours

Help with childcare costs for eligible families

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We welcome government-funded hours for eligible children. Funding can make a big difference to your monthly costs, and our team is always happy to help you work out what you are entitled to.

## Who is eligible?

### Working parents

15 or 30 hours a week for eligible working families, from the term after your child turns **9 months**.

### All 3–4 year olds

**Universal 15 hours** a week for every 3 and 4 year old, whatever your circumstances.

### Eligible 2 year olds

**15 hours** a week for 2 year olds from families who meet the eligibility criteria.

## How we offer funding: stretched across the year

Funding is provided for 38 term-time weeks. At Chestnut Tree we offer funded hours on a **stretched basis**, spreading those 38 weeks across the year, so your child can use their funded hours every week rather than only in term time.

| Entitlement | Term-time (38 weeks) | Stretched at Chestnut Tree |
|---|---|---|
| 30 hours | 30 hours a week | **22.8 hours** a week |
| 15 hours | 15 hours a week | **11.4 hours** a week |

### What you pay with funded hours

- We fund up to **10 hours per day**. Hours attended above your funded hours are charged at **£8.40/hour** (from 9 months + 1 term to 3 years + 1 term) or **£7.50/hour** (from 3 years + 1 term).
- Where your child's weekly hours are within their funded hours, a small charge for **meals and PPE** applies, plus **nappies and wipes** if needed. Above that, these are included in your fee.
- Funded places need a minimum of **2 sessions per week**.
- Monthly fees for each pattern are in the table on page 3. For mixed patterns (for example full days plus mornings), just ask us for an individual quote.

### Check your eligibility

Find out what you can get and apply for a funding code (and Tax-Free Childcare) at **www.childcarechoices.gov.uk**. If you use the working parent entitlement, remember to reconfirm your code every 3 months.

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# Monthly Fees by Session Pattern

**From 1 September 2026**

Monthly amounts: fees for 50 weeks spread over 12 equal payments

## Full days — 7:30am – 6:00pm · 10.5 hours · breakfast, snacks, lunch & afternoon tea

| Sessions per week | Hours per week | Unfunded<br>Babies & Tots · all inclusive* | 30 hrs funded<br>9 mths + 1 term to 3 yrs + 1 term · extra £8.40/hr | 30 hrs funded<br>3 yrs + 1 term to leaving · extra £7.50/hr | 15 hrs funded<br>3 yrs + 1 term to leaving · extra £7.50/hr | Meals & PPE†<br>funded children | Nappies & wipes†<br>if required |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **1 day** | 10.5 | £367.50 | *Min. 2* | *Min. 2* | *Min. 2* | *Min. 2* | *Min. 2* |
| **2 days** | 21 | £735.00 | £35.00 | £31.25 | £300.00 | £95.17 | £6.00 |
| **3 days** | 31.5 | £1,102.50 | £304.50 | £271.88 | £628.13 | *Included* | *Included* |
| **4 days** | 42 | £1,470.00 | £672.00 | £600.00 | £956.25 | *Included* | *Included* |
| **5 days** | 52.5 | £1,837.50 | £1,039.50 | £928.13 | £1,284.38 | *Included* | *Included* |

## Mornings (AM) — 7:30am – 1:00pm · 5.5 hours · breakfast, snacks & lunch

| Sessions per week | Hours per week | Unfunded<br>Babies & Tots · all inclusive* | 30 hrs funded<br>9 mths + 1 term to 3 yrs + 1 term · extra £8.40/hr | 30 hrs funded<br>3 yrs + 1 term to leaving · extra £7.50/hr | 15 hrs funded<br>3 yrs + 1 term to leaving · extra £7.50/hr | Meals & PPE†<br>funded children | Nappies & wipes†<br>if required |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **1 AM** | 5.5 | £192.50 | *Min. 2* | *Min. 2* | *Min. 2* | *Min. 2* | *Min. 2* |
| **2 AMs** | 11 | £385.00 | £0.00 | £0.00 | £0.00 | £70.58 | £3.00 |
| **3 AMs** | 16.5 | £577.50 | £0.00 | £0.00 | £159.38 | £105.88 | £4.50 |
| **4 AMs** | 22 | £770.00 | £0.00 | £0.00 | £331.25 | £141.17 | £6.00 |
| **5 AMs** | 27.5 | £962.50 | £164.50 | £146.88 | £503.13 | *Included* | *Included* |

## Afternoons (PM) — 1:30pm – 6:00pm · 4.5 hours · afternoon tea

| Sessions per week | Hours per week | Unfunded<br>Babies & Tots · all inclusive* | 30 hrs funded<br>9 mths + 1 term to 3 yrs + 1 term · extra £8.40/hr | 30 hrs funded<br>3 yrs + 1 term to leaving · extra £7.50/hr | 15 hrs funded<br>3 yrs + 1 term to leaving · extra £7.50/hr | Meals & PPE†<br>funded children | Nappies & wipes†<br>if required |
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| **1 PM** | 4.5 | £157.50 | *Min. 2* | *Min. 2* | *Min. 2* | *Min. 2* | *Min. 2* |
| **2 PMs** | 9 | £315.00 | £0.00 | £0.00 | £0.00 | £24.42 | £2.00 |
| **3 PMs** | 13.5 | £472.50 | £0.00 | £0.00 | £65.63 | £36.63 | £3.00 |
| **4 PMs** | 18 | £630.00 | £0.00 | £0.00 | £206.25 | £48.83 | £4.00 |
| **5 PMs** | 22.5 | £787.50 | £0.00 | £0.00 | £346.88 | £61.04 | £5.00 |

**How funded fees work:** funded hours are stretched across 50 weeks (30 hrs = 22.8 hrs/week; 15 hrs = 11.4 hrs/week), with a maximum of 10 funded hours per day. The monthly fee covers any hours attended above the funded hours. Funded places require a minimum of 2 sessions per week. For mixed patterns (e.g. full days plus AM sessions), please ask us for an individual fee quote.

* Unfunded fees include breakfast, snacks, lunch, afternoon tea, nappies, wipes and PPE. Suncream is charged separately April – September. Unfunded Pre-School places are charged at £7.50/hour (see page 1).

† Meals & PPE apply to funded children whose weekly hours are within their funded hours (shown as an amount); beyond this they are included in the fee. For mixed patterns, they are charged on AM/PM sessions but not on full days. Nappies & wipes are charged only if required.