

## Fees and Funding Policy

Happy Days Nursery is open Monday to Thursday from 8am to 5pm and Fridays 8am to 4:30pm, term time only in accordance with Exmouth Community College yearly calendar.

Funded spaces are offered between 9am and 4pm each day. Funding is available to eligible children the term after the child turns 9 months, the term after the child turns 2 or the term after the child turns 3. We offer both universal 15 hour funding as well as the extended 30 hour offer.

Nursery invoices are sent out each half term (with some slight changes in dates due to the Government funding calendar). Payments are due by the end of each half term. Changes to sessions must be given with at least a half term's notice.

### Chargeable Extras

We offer chargeable hours around our funded hours which are costed as shown below:

Age of Child	Hourly Rate Charges
Age 3-4	£8
Age 2	£8.50
Under 2	£8.50

Breakfast Club is available each morning from 8am-8.30am at **£4 per session**. Children are provided with cereal, milk (including milk alternatives) and toast/pancakes.

A morning snack of fresh/dried fruit or vegetables. Crackers/Breadsticks/Biscuits. Milk and Milk alternatives are provided each day for the following cost:

Age of Child	Morning Snack Cost
Age 3-4	£1.50
Age 2	£1.50
Under 2	£1.00

Our nursery menu has been devised to provide healthy, balanced and nutritious meals for your child. The school kitchen delivers high quality nursery meals to tempt young appetites, accommodating for all allergies and intolerances. Nursery Lunches are available each day at **£2.45 per child**. For further information please see our seasonal menu displayed.

We provide an afternoon snack of toast, crumpets, sandwiches etc alongside fruit/ vegetables and a yoghurt. Also, a drink of milk or milk alternative. The costs are shown below.

Age of Child	Afternoon Snack Cost
Age 3-4	£2.50
Age 2	£2.50
Under 2	£2.00

### **Additional EYFS enrichment activities**

During the nursery year we plan and devise many activities which bring enrichment to our curriculum, which go above and beyond the basic requirements of the EYFS. This includes but is not limited to visits from external agencies, soft play sessions, trips within our local area (with additional staffing, gardening activities, cooking activities, seasonal gifts and celebrations and chick hatching. This is costed as below:

Age of Child	Activities/Enrichment Cost
Age 3-4	£2.00
Age 2	£2.00
Under 2	£1.00

### **Consumable Resources**

As part of the consumables cost we provide the following (which is not an exhaustive list):

Sun Cream	Calpol
Wet Wipes	Tissues
Cotton Wool	Sudocrem
Sanitiser	Nappy Sacks
Paper Towels	Washing Supplies

These costs are as shown below:

Age of Child	Consumables Charge
Age 3-4	£3.00
Age 2	£3.00
Under 2	£3.00

## **Opting Out of Consumables Charges:**

As a parent, you have the option to opt out of the chargeable extra's element of your child's funded entitlement hours.

### **What does this mean?**

This means that you will have to provide the following when your child attends their free funded sessions:

#### **Meals and snacks:**

All food would need to be provided for your child each day.

Further guidance will be given regarding our pack lunch policy to ensure the safety of children with allergies and dietary requirements.

We do not have the facilities to refrigerate multiple packed lunches, therefore any food that is sent must be able to healthily withstand no refrigeration.

#### **Consumables:**

All consumables listed that your child requires throughout the day at the setting would need to be provided by parents.

#### **Extra EYFS Enrichment Activities:**

These are in addition to the EYFS requirements and therefore you would be asked to fully pay for your child's place or alternative care would be sought within the setting.

As a setting and as a sector, the government funding is already way below the level to cover the cost of a provision such as ours, given the standards of our environment, level of staffing and the continued program of investment into the nursery to make it one we are truly proud of.

Please understand that this is out of our hands and in a bid to not reduce the number of funded hours that we allow parents to offset against their invoice.

We are asking parents to support us and pay the non-mandatory consumable charges, which we feel offers fantastic value for money and has a positive impact on your child's care, education, experience and well-being.

## **Additional Guidance:**

If you are in receipt of Universal Credit, you may get help with fees for Additional Hours/Sessions. Universal Credit will not contribute towards any Chargeable Extras.

If you are eligible for Tax-Free Childcare this can save you 20% on your fees for Additional Hours/Sessions and Chargeable Extra's.

Visit [Best Start in Life - Best Start in Life](#) to see what help may be available to you.

**Breakdown of Consumables:**

Under 2's	Cost:
Wraparound Hours	£8.50
Breakfast Club	£4.00
School Dinners	£2.45
Consumables	£3.00
Morning Snack (8am-8.30am)	£1.00
Teatime Snack	£2.00
Activities/Enrichment	£1.00

Age 2-3	Cost:
Wraparound Hours	£8.50
Breakfast Club	£4.00
School Dinners	£2.45
Consumables	£3.00
Morning Snack (8am-8.30am)	£1.50
Teatime Snack	£2.50
Activities/Enrichment	£2.00

Age 3-4	Cost:
Wraparound Hours	£8.00
Breakfast Club	£4.00
School Dinners	£2.45
Consumables	£3.00
Morning Snack (8am-8.30am)	£1.50
Teatime Snack	£2.50
Activities/Enrichment	£2.00