

Ashfield Nursery School



Part of Newcastle Nursery Schools Federation

Charging and Remission Policy

At Ashfield Nursery School, we want all our children to have equal opportunity to benefit from school activities both on and off-site. This policy sets out our policy for charging and remissions and in doing this our intention is to ensure transparency in setting charges and ensure all children have the opportunity to access all the provisions on offer.

Ashfield Nursery School provides 25 hours free education for children aged 3-4 years and 15 hours free education for children who meet the criteria for 2-year-old funding.

3-year-olds: Monday – Friday 9.00 am til 2.00 pm

2-year-olds: Monday – Friday 8.45 am til 11.45 am or 12.15 pm til 3.15 pm

We do not charge for these nursery sessions.

Children can qualify for extra sessions between 2.00 pm and 3.00 pm **FREE OF CHARGE** for different reasons ie:

- If children have an Early Help Plan
- If children are involved with Social Care, with a Child in Need Plan or Child Protection Plan
- If children are Looked After, in the care of the Local Authority
- If parents qualify for additional 30 hours free childcare from the Government and have a 'code' to say they can access this
- If any other specific needs are identified by the school that can be supported with extended hours

Parents who do not meet the criteria for 2-year-old funding are able to pay for their child to attend nursery at a cost of £10.00 per session (3 hours).

Activities within School Hours

There is no charge for activities during the school hours, however, we ask parents to make a voluntary contribution of £1 per week which goes towards cooking ingredients and fruit for sharing.

Voluntary Contributions for Activities and Trips

We may in certain circumstances invite parents to make a voluntary contribution towards activities. The amount of the contribution is based on the projected cost for the activity.

Pupils will not be treated differently according to whether or not their parents have made any contribution in response to the request. However, where there are not enough voluntary contributions to make the activity possible, then it may be cancelled. If the activity/outing is cancelled all monies paid will be returned to parents.

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