

Consumables Policy

The Government statutory guidance A1.32 confirms 'Government funding is not intended to cover the cost of meals, other consumables, additional hours or additional services'

At Greenslade Preschool we charge a monthly consumables fee of £40 per month for 11 months of the year- there is no charge in August.

We commit to not increasing this fee in the 25/26 academic year.

Our consumables fee includes 2 snack a day, access to Tapestry, gym sessions, music sessions, baking, pancake making, cards on Mothers day/ Fathers day/ Christmas, seed planting, Christmas party, Leavers party, Makaton sessions and other activities not directly related or necessary for the effective delivery of the EYFS statutory framework. At Greenslade we choose to employ highly qualified, skilled staff and we have chosen not to increase our ratios as we don't believe it to be in the best interests of children.

At Greenslade Preschool we want to offer children all these extra opportunities but, as outlined above, the Government funding is not intended to cover them.

As a small charity with limited finances Greenslade Preschool are open and transparent in their charging of this fee. All parents are made aware of the fee before their child starts, including an outline of why we need to charge it.

Whilst this fee is voluntary we believe it offers excellent value for money for the items it includes. If parents do not pay the fee their child cannot benefit from the items it includes and in some cases, eg snacks, an alternative will need to be bought in. We do not want any child to feel left out and hope parents can see the value of what we choose to offer.

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