## **Academic Day Nursery Fees**

We implement the 15 hours and 30 hours Early Years Funding to all eligible children. This funding covers the cost of childcare and not essentials like meals or additional extras such as our weekly sports and music sessions. The funding is for 38 weeks of the year but as the nursery is open all year, we stretch the funding over the duration that we are open. We have a limited number of term-time only spaces.

For children under 2 claiming 30 hours funding, we have added a voluntary fee of £57 per month for meals and additional extras that are not covered by the funding.

For over 2s claiming 30 hours funding, we have added a voluntary fee of £84 per month for meals and additional extras that are not covered by the funding.

For over 3's claiming 15 hours funding, we have added a voluntary fee of £42 per month for meals and additional extras that are not covered by the funding.

Please see our Funding Entitlement Policy and if you would like to opt out of these voluntary fees, please let Management know.

	3 days £87pd	4 days £82pd	5 days £82pd
Under 2s			
(unfunded)	£1131pm	£1421pm	£1776pm
Under 2s			
(30 hour	£361pm	£699pm	£1054pm
funded)		<b>-</b>	210046111

	3 days £85pd	4 days £76pd	5 days £76pd
Over 2s (unfunded)	£1105pm	£1317pm	£1646pm
Over 2s (30 hours Funded)	£380pm	£678pm	£1008pm
Over 3s (15 hours funded)	£743pm	£998pm	£1327pm

We are open 50+ weeks of the year, and our fees are calculated weekly charge multiplied by the number of weeks of the year that we are open and then divided by 12 (months) to create a daily charge.

## **SAVE MONEY ON YOUR NURSERY FEES!**

With **Enjoy benefits**, using their Workplace Nursery Scheme, you can save over **£5000** on your nursery fees if you are a higher rate tax payer and over **£3000** if you are a basic rate tax payer. For more information call Enjoy benefits on **0800 088 7315** website www.enjoybenefits.co.uk. Or pick up a leaflet from the nursery.

The Government tax-free child care scheme helps eligible parents to get up to £2000 per year towards their child's fees. <a href="mailto:Tax-Free Childcare">Tax-Free Childcare</a> - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

A £200.00 deposit is required at the time of registration. This will be returned when your child leaves the nursery. (Please see the terms and conditions). This is non-returnable in the event that you do not take up a place.

## **Academic Day Nursery Funding Entitlement Policy**

Academic Day Nursery welcomes the Government Funding for eligible children aged 9+months. Children become eligible on 1 April, 1 September or 1 January following them attaining the age of 9 months. The funding is for 38 weeks of the year but as the nursery is open all year, we stretch the funding over the duration that we are open. We have a limited number of term-time only spaces.

To be eligible for the Working Parent Entitlement (30hour funding) Parents/Carers must apply by visiting <a href="www.childcarechoices.gov.uk">www.childcarechoices.gov.uk</a> or calling 0300 1234 097 to get an eligibility code (which is 11 digits long and usually starts 500...). Eligibility codes need to be reconfirmed every 3 months. The eligibility code will remain the same after reconfirmation. It is the parent/carer's responsibility to always keep their child's eligibility valid.

Academic Day Nursery will carry out verification checks on Hackney Learning Trust's Provider Portal, using the following data:

Your 11-digit eligibility code

Your National Insurance Number(s)

Your child's name, address and date of birth

## **Dates for Funding Eligibility**

Term	Deadline for Eligibility	Funding start date
	Application/Reconfirmation	
Spring	31st December	1 <sup>st</sup> January
Summer	31 <sup>st</sup> March	1 <sup>st</sup> April
Autumn	31st August	1 <sup>st</sup> September

(For parents/carers accessing the 15-hour universal entitlement for 3-4 year olds- no application is required. Academic Day Nursery will apply for funding on your behalf the term after your child's 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday).

**Grace Periods** – If you do not reconfirm the eligibility code and the code becomes invalid, the 'grace period' starts. The grace period is a short period of time where a child can still access their Working Parent Entitlement / free hours. Once the grace period has expired:

Under 2s from working families will have to pay for all childcare provision privately.

2-year-olds from working families will have to pay for all childcare provision privately but may be eligible to apply for disadvantage 2-year-old funding (15 hours) if they meet the criteria.

3- and 4-year-olds from working families will only be able to access their universal free hours (15 hours) and must pay for any additional childcare provision.

Government funding is not intended to cover the costs of meals and snacks consumed by the child, other consumables, additional hours or additional services /activities such as events, celebrations, specialist tuition (for example music and sports classes) or other activities that are not directly related or necessary for the effective delivery of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) statutory framework.

Academic Day Nursery aims to provide a safe, clean, and consistent environment for all children. To support this, we provide enhanced provision with high quality childcare and education, however this can only be supported by enrichment costs. Below are just a few examples of the extracurricular activities that we provide and as well as essential provisions given during the day:

Children's meals (breakfast/lunch/tea, fruit/snacks)

External companies/activities

Trips to the park and local area and further afield (requiring higher staff to child ratios)

Christmas parties and other cultural/religious celebrations

**Graduations Ceremonies** 

Our fees include a monthly enrichment charge for the children to access these meals/snacks and enhanced provisions. We offer families the option to opt-out of the enhanced provisions where the setting will provide essential daily-use items for your child. Please note: If not enough parents contribute these enhanced provisions will no longer take place and provision that meets legal requirements will be in place.

To support the payment of chargeable items and private hours, working parents can use their Tax-Free Childcare Allowance. Click here for more details on how to claim <u>Tax Free Childcare Get Tax-Free Childcare: step by step - GOV.UK</u> giving up to 20% government support for all childcare costs. For families claiming <u>Universal Credit</u>, there is up to 85% government support for all childcare costs

**Opt Out Option**: For meals and snacks- the alternative available is to provide meals (breakfast, fresh fruit, lunch, afternoon tea and snack) prepared in line with our Meals Policy. Please note- we do not have the capacity to refrigerate meals brought in.

To opt-out, please let Academic Management know by sending us an email at academicsdaynursery@yahoo.co.uk