



Little Learners @ St Anne's and Castle Batch

Early Years education funding and fees from September 2025

Little Learners provides parents with options of how they would like to access their child's Early Education entitlement (government funded hours). There are three options for parents to choose from before choosing to enrol their child. We recommend parents read this document carefully and take time to ask the Nursery any questions they have prior to enrolment.

Option 1 provides parents with the *choice* for their child to attend their Early Education hours, fully funded with no additional charges, extras or consumables. There is no limit to the amount of fully funded places available to families at St Anne's and Castle Batch. These sessions are offered on half days, mornings or afternoons; 9.00am – 1.00pm or 1.00pm – 5.00pm. Sessions are subject to availability.

Options 2 and 3 provides parents with the *choice* for their child to attend their Early Education hours in longer 'Short Day' day sessions, with the agreement on enrolment to a £4.00 per day consumables charge. Options 2 and 3 allow parents the choice to pay for additional hours, if they wish for their child to attend more hours per day between 7.30am and 6.00pm. Sessions are subject to availability.

	Fully funded using government entitlement	Funded hours offered with voluntary parental agreement to pay a consumables fee		
	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	
Registration fee	Refundable	Non-refundable	Non-refundable	
1140 hours per year (30 hour entitlement)	24 hours per week offered as 4 mornings or 4 afternoons (9.00am – 1.00pm or 1.00pm – 5.00pm) and One full day (9.00am - 5.00pm) subject to availability	24 hours per week offered as 8.00am – 4.00pm x 3 days	24 hours per week offered as 8.00am – 4.00pm x 3 days	
570 hours per year (15 hour entitlement)	12 hours per week offered as 3 mornings or 3 afternoons (9.00am – 1.00pm or 1.00pm – 5.00pm)	12 hours per week to offered as 1 short day 8.00am – 4.00pm and 1 morning or afternoon (9.00am – 1.00pm or 1.00pm – 5.00pm)	12 hours per week to offered as 1 short day 8.00am – 4.00pm and 1 morning or afternoon (9.00am – 1.00pm or 1.00pm – 5.00pm)	
Option to purchase additional hours	No	Yes	Yes	
Funded weeks	47.5 weeks	47.5 weeks	47.5 weeks	
Paid 2.5 weeks (unfunded)	No (child only attends 47.5 weeks)	No (child only attends 47.5 weeks)	Yes (child attends 50 weeks, 47.5 weeks are funded, 2.5 weeks are paid)	
Packed lunch or school dinners	Packed lunch or tea only	School dinners can be purchased from Aspens or packed lunches provided	School dinners can be purchased from Aspens or packed lunches provided	
Snack provided (fruit and milk)	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Daily fee (consumables, snack)	Not applicable	£4.00 per 8 hour funded hour daily fee inclusive of - Fruit and milk - Consumables such as wet wipes	£4.00 per 8 hour funded hour daily fee inclusive of - Fruit and milk - Consumables such as wet wipes	

Paid sessions						
	Early Bird (7.30am - 8.00am)	AM or PM (8.00am - 1.00pm or 1.00pm - 6.00pm)	Short Day (8.00am - 4.00pm)	All Day (8.00am - 6.00pm)		
Two year olds	£5.50	£32.50	£52.00	£65.00		
Three and four year olds	£5.50	£30.00	£48.00	£60.00		