

How to make childcare more affordable at Country Buttercups

Information on our offer of Early Years Education Entitlement, including Universal Entitlement (up to 15 hours), Disadvantaged Two Year funding (up to 15 hours) and Working Parent Entitlement (up to 30 hours)



All funding can only be accessed when attending two or more days a week.

You can seek more information from East Sussex County Council online at: www.eastsussex.gov.uk

The Universal Offer

All children over 3 years old can access up to 15 free hours a week, term time only, please refer to 'Information for Parents and Carers', copies can be requested and latest version found in entrance lobby.

Disadvantaged Two Year Olds Entitlement

This is an eligibility checked offer, for children aged two years old, who can access up to 15 hours free childcare. You will need to have received a code from Gov.uk for your child to access this funding. Please enquire with East Sussex County Council if you think you may be eligible. We accept these codes subject to availability.

Working Parent Entitlement

The working parent entitlement is an eligibility based offer to access as of the term after your child turns 9 months of age. Up to 30 hours free childcare a week, term time only at Country Buttercups.

This is a fantastic offer that supports those parents who are accessing childcare up to 5 days a week.

You can choose up to 30 hours across your booked sessions at Country Buttercups and the hours can also be shared between us and another setting if this is applicable.

As you may already be aware, we offer short day sessions (8.30-2.30pm) and full day sessions (8.30-16.30) with breakfast club from 8am.

You may use any combination of sessions offered, subject to availability. In preparation for your child's school week, from the age of 3 years, we highly recommend accessing the full entitlement for your child.

Setting patterns to access the maximum 30 hours a week

Here are a few booking pattern ideas that access the full 30 hours are most popular and work well within our setting:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Short day (8.30-2.30)	Short day (8.30-2.30)	Short day (8.30-2.30)	Short day (8.30-2.30)	Short day (8.30-2.30)
Full day (8.30-4.30)	Full day (8.30-4.30)	Full day (8.30-4.30)	Short day (8.30-2.30)	Off

Here is the website link you need to use to see whether you qualify for 30 hours funding and then the code you are issued needs to be passed onto Country Buttercups and renewed every 3 months:
<https://www.beststartinlife.gov.uk/childcare-early-years-education>

Fees across all sessions

Additional costs apply across all funded hours for meals and consumables as the funding does not cover this cost for the nursery. You can opt out of any additional costs at any time, whilst accessing funding. Standard fees apply for hours accessed outside of the funding hours.

Booking pattern	Long Day with Breakfast club 8:00-4:30pm	Long day 8:30-4:30pm	Short day with Breakfast club 8:00-2.30pm	Short day 8:30-2.30pm	Please Tick
Prices Please tick:					
0-2 years Non funded fee:	£89.71	£83.89	£68.72	£62.97	
2-3 years Non funded fee:	£80.26	£75.49	£61.37	£57.19	
3-5 years Non funded fee:	£77.11	£72.34	£58.22	£54.04	
Fees above are non-applicable when accessing Early years education entitlements					
Consumable cost, food charges & Meals	£7.73 Per day Consumables, food charges £5.67 Per day Meals	£7.28 Per day Consumables, food charges £4.79 Per day Meals	£5.91 Per day Consumables, food charges £4.06 Per day Meals	£5.46 Per day Consumables, food charges £3.25 Per day Meals	
Fully funded total per day only including all meals and snacks.	£13.40 per day	£12.07 per day	£9.97 per day	£8.71 per day	
Providing all consumables, food and meals from home.	0.00 per day	0.00 per day	0.00 per day	0.00 per day	
Outside providers: French classes, dance academy, yoga, £0.00 free					
Consumable charges: Wipes, creams. Opt in Yes/No					
Food charges: Toast, fruit, crackers, variety breads, Opt in yes/No					
Total: £0.91p per day					

Providers can charge for specific categories of consumables or activities, but these are voluntary for the parent

Optional:	
Universal entitlement	3 year +
Disadvantage 2year funding	2 year +
Working parent entitlement	9 months + (term after 9 months)
Breakfast	£0.81
Hot Lunch	£3.25
Tea	£1.61
Providing Packed lunch from home:	Free
Providing, consumables creams, wipes from home:	Free
Providing, am and pm snacks from home	Free
Total	£5.67