# Fees & Funding Procedure



## 2yr Olds

We ask for a non-refundable, £25 contribution towards admin costs, from all families. This is to be paid before your child's start date with us.

Current Fees – 2yr olds: £25 per session.

**2yr Funding** – In certain circumstances, 2yr children can also apply for 15 hours funding. You can check eligibility on the following website: <a href="https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/">https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/</a>. Please note that if eligible, your child's funding will begin the term after their 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday.

#### 3/4yr Olds

We ask for a non-refundable, £25 contribution towards admin costs, from all families. This is to be paid before your child's start date with us.

**Current Fees** – 3/4yr olds: £25 per session.

**3/4yr Funding** – 15 hours of Universal Government Funding is offered to all children <u>the term after their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday</u>. There is no code to apply for, just paperwork to fill in, which the Preschool will provide and assist with as needed.

Extended\*\*\* 3/4yr Funding (30hour funding) \*\*\*Lunch Club charge applies\*\*\*

In certain circumstances, 3/4yr children can also apply for an additional 15 hours' funding. You can check eligibility for 30hours on the following website: <a href="https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/">https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/</a>. You will need to go through the application process online and if eligible, you will be given a 30hr code. When the Preschool has this code, along with Parent/Carer's Full name, DOB and NI number, we can then check the code from our end and move forwards. 30hr funding is also offered the term after your child's 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday.

All of our 30hr funded families are offered an extended day 9am - 3.30pm. There is a "lunch club" charge applied for this extra time, which helps us to recover income lost, due to the low rate of government funding that we receive.

# **Important Information**

<u>Please note</u>: We are currently able to offer the 30 hours funding on a limited scale. This means that sometimes, not all families who are hoping for 30hours funding with us, will be able to access them. *Please be reminded that funding can be split between two settings in this instance.* 

~ ~ ~ In addition, please note that we will be closed for x1 day per term for staff training, and this is included as part of every child's fees/funding.

This helps us to maintain our high standards and keep up to date with all Early Years Requirements. ~~~

## All Payments

- Are requested to be paid via bank transfer. Our bank details are on every invoice.
- Payment is required in advance and on a half-termly basis.
- Invoices are sent out via 'Famly' App. with an email notification, near to the beginning of each half term with a due date included.
- Payment is due as early as possible to ensure that we can meet our financial commitments.
- Payments are acknowledged via 'Famly' and you are able to see your child's Booking Pattern, Ad-Hoc Payments, Invoices and what has been paid/is still outstanding.
- We accept child-care vouchers and for your information our Ofsted no. is ~ 128 475.
- We accept payments via the Government Tax Free Scheme.
- Fees remain payable in spite of family holidays, bank holidays, illness/absence or self-isolation.
- Non-payment by the due date (without prior discussion with the Manager) may result in a place no longer being made available for your child.

<u>Late Fees</u> – We are an understanding and flexible setting and when parents have the occasional issue surrounding pick up, we appreciate being communicated with and are willing to help where we can.

However, if/when late pick-ups become a regular occurrence the following late fees apply:

**Morning session:** if you pick up later than 12.15pm, you will be charged £5 until 12.30pm

The fee then doubles thereafter in 15-minute intervals.

All-Day Children: if you pick up later than 3.15pm, you will be charged £5 until 3.30pm

The fee doubles thereafter in 15-minute intervals.

<u>Voluntary Donations</u> – As a charitable trust, Mill Grove Pre-school does not exist for profit. We therefore ask for voluntary donations from time to time. E.g., End of Term parties.

~ All requests for financial support are on a voluntary basis ~

<u>Uniform</u> - Uniform is optional. Mill Grove jumpers/t-shirts are available to buy in various sizes: Jumper £10 / T-shirt £7. All payments are requested to be paid via bank transfer.

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