# Verwood CE First School and Nursery

# Session, Fees and Funding

From January 2027

Nursery is open in line with the school,  38 weeks a year, Monday to Friday, 8.00am to 3.00pm and we offer breakfast, morning, afternoon and all-day sessions.  Nursery is closed for the school holidays and inset days.

**Age Range**

We take children from 3 years of age to 4 years of age.

**Session timings**

| Breakfast Club | Morning sessions | Lunch Club | Afternoon sessions | Whole day session |
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| 8:00am-8:30am | 8.30am-11.30am | 11.30am -12.00pm | 12.00pm – 3.00pm | 8.30am- 3.00pm |

Children must attend a minimum of 15 hours a week.

**Charges**

| Breakfast Club | Morning Session | Lunch Club | Afternoon Session |
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| 8:00am-8:30am | 8:30am - 11:30am | 11:30am – 12.00pm | 12:00pm - 3:00pm |
| **£3.50 per session** | **£20.00 per session** | **£3.50 per session** | **£20 per session** |

A full day would be **£43.50.**
A full day including breakfast club would be **£47.**
**Please note:**  No reduction for dropping off later or collecting earlier.

Hot nursery meals are provided through Caterlink and these can be booked and paid for through Arbor (our school communication tool). These need to be booked at least two weeks in advance and the cost is £3.20 per meal. You will be able to pick and choose which days, so your child can

have a hot meal some days and a packed lunch others. If you do not wish your child to receive hot meals, please supply them with a lunchbox on the required days.

Fees will be charged on a monthly basis in advance.

**Notice period**

We would ask for a months' notice when leaving or to change sessions. We may be able to be flexible in offering more hours.

The Nursery setting will review its charging arrangements and offer on a termly basis.

**Vouchers and funding**

**Funding for 3 and 4 year olds**

A child will become eligible for 3 and 4 year old funding the term after their 3rd birthday.

All families with a 3 and 4 year old child are eligible for the universal funding offer of up to 15 hours, some families will also be able to receive the extended entitlement of up to 30 hours, which is available to support parents getting back into work. Please click here for more information and to apply.

**Tax-free childcare**

Parents are able to open a new childcare account and for every £8 you pay into the account, the government will top it up by £2. You are entitled to receive up to £2,000 government support per child per year towards your childcare costs. Payments to the nursery are then made directly from this account.

Parents can use Tax-Free Childcare alongside the 15 and 30 hours funding but can't use it at the same time as they receive childcare vouchers, universal credit or tax credits. Please click here for further information.

**Tax credits and universal credits for childcare**

Depending on personal circumstances some families will qualify to receive either tax credits or universal credit to help with the cost of childcare.

**Childcare vouchers**

If your employer offers childcare vouchers or arranges your childcare, you can get up to £933 a year in tax and National Insurance savings.

The amount you can get in childcare vouchers depends on how much you earn and when you joined the scheme. You pay for your childcare before tax and National Insurance deductions are made. You can't use childcare vouchers at the same time as Tax-Free Childcare. Over time, Tax-Free Childcare will replace childcare vouchers and childcare arranged directly by your employer.

Childcare vouchers will remain open to new joiners until April 2018. Parents already using childcare vouchers can continue to do so after this date, as long as the employer continues to offer them.

Check your eligibility and apply online on the government's Childcare Choices website www.childcarechoices.gov.uk.

**Early Years Pupil Premium**

The early years pupil premium (EYPP) is additional funding for early years settings to support the education they provide for eligible 3 and 4 year-olds. Verwood CE First Nursery may use this funding to purchase and provide additional resources and equipment that can be used at nursery or could use the funding to offer a staff member specialist training to further support your child's needs.

**Early Years Pupil Premium**
**Eligibility**

3 and 4 year-olds in funded early education will attract EYPP funding if they meet at least one of the following criteria or their family receives one of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided they're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on, which is paid for 4 weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit
- They are currently being looked after by a local authority in England or Wales
- They have left care in England or Wales through:
    - An adoption
    - A special guardianship order
    - A child arrangement order

Children must receive free early education funding in order to attract EYPP funding. They do not have to take up the full entitlement of hours of funding they are entitled to in order to get EYPP. Children become eligible for free early education funding at different points in the year depending on when they turn three.

For further information, please contact Jayne Hibell

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