

Nursery Consumables Policy.

Here at Orpington Day Nursery, we are committed to ensuring that all children's needs are fully met and that they have all they need for a safe, healthy, fulfilling and fun packed day. This is why we provide all the items to support this, to ensure that all children's, comfort and learning are supported. These are parts of the solid foundations that we like to lay to help your little one's develop, thrive and grow.

By opting *into* our Nursery Consumables charge, you are going to benefit from a convenient and all-inclusive experience where all needs are met and one that goes above and beyond that of the standard governments funding.

We split our consumables into 3 categories and our aim is to provide clear and transparent information so you are able to make informed decisions.

Charges will be applied differently to Under 3's and Over 3's and split into 3 categories.



Food



Non-Food



Enrichment Activities

You are able to opt out of any category that you may have chosen to opt into, with a full terms notice. In this instance, we will arrange a meeting to discuss this option and what it means for you.

Funded hours are to be used within defined sessions (please see our admissions policy) and the consumables charges are only applied to these days/sessions that are government funded.

It is a well-researched and documented fact that a good and balanced diet helps to support children's development, growth, learning and wellbeing. We serve nutritious and balanced home cooked meal, prepared daily by our in-house cook. Children play a part in serving their meals and it provides a wonderful opportunity to socialise and build confidence while enjoying food with their peers.

Our Food Charge includes:

-  Breakfast
-  A 2 course Lunch
-  A 2 course afternoon Tea
-  Morning and Afternoon Snacks

All dietary needs and requirements are taken into account and these are carefully monitored. By providing all children with a meal at the same time allows consistency and an inclusive environment for all.

If you choose to opt out of this package then you **MUST** provide ALL meals and snacks for your child and this must be in line with our Packed Lunch Policy. No meals will be prepared if you have opted out of this charge, we will only provide meals if you have opted in and the fee is paid. If meals are not paid for then your child must return home with you or be collected before the first meal/snack is served, or you must return within 30 minutes to deliver the meals needed for your child's session. If there is a consistent issue with meals not being provided or not being in line with our packed lunches policy then we will arrange a meeting to discuss this in depth with a view of how to move forward.

Here at Orpington Day Nursery, we provide essential items to provide consistent hygiene and safety on a day to day basis. Included in the non-food charge are:

-  Sun Cream (SPF50)
-  Celebration/Event resources outside of the EYFS
-  Wipes
-  Emergency Calpol & Piriton

If you choose to opt out of this package then you will need to provide **ALL** essential items daily. Please note that we are unable to stockpile or store your items at nursery.

If any items are missing then your child must return home with you, or you return within 30 minutes with said items. We require for each session/day:

 Wipes

 Suitable and in-date sun cream

 Children without suitable sunscreen will not be allowed to access outside areas in the warmer weather. All additional celebration activities are only for the children who have been opted into the non-food charge.

 Emergency Calpol and Piriton will be signed in and administered in accordance with our Medication Policy.

Our Enrichment programme is here to enhance your child's learning by providing new and exciting opportunities and experiences that support their curiosity and development. These are things such as specialist trips, guest visitors and experiences and local outings.

If you choose to opt out of this part then your child will not be able to participate in these experiences. Alternative activities will not be provided for those who opt out.

Here at Orpington Day Nursery, we want your child to have the very best experience possible.

Please do get in touch if you have any questions. We are here to support you and want your child to have the best possible experience with us.