

Nursery Options for 3+ year olds

1 Part Time Funded Places

With the universal offer, all children aged 3+ years are entitled to three hours a day free nursery education, funded by the Government. At Burlington Nursery, children attend either every weekday morning from 8.30 to 11.30am or every weekday afternoon from 12.30 to 3.30pm.

2 Full-Time Funded Places

For working families where the parents meet specific eligibility criteria, we are able to offer a limited number of funded 30 hours places for those who prefer their child to attend the nursery **from 8.30am to 3.30pm.**

Please check this website for eligibility: www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

Scroll down to the section titled '30 hours free childcare' where you can read the eligibility criteria and apply for your funding.

The funding covers 30 hours of childcare, which is 6 hours per day. There will be an additional Lunch Club hour every day, when a freshly cooked hot lunch will be served in the nursery. The children will eat in a 'family style' arrangement with a member of staff, with an emphasis on healthy eating, learning good table manners and social skills. You can view the current term's lunch menu for Nursery on our [School Lunches web page](#).

The maximum number of funded hours that can be claimed each week is 30 hours. At Burlington Nursery, we offer 35 hours, that is 7 hours per day from 8.30am to 3.30pm. The 7 hours includes 6 'funded' hours and one additional hour in the lunch club. The nursery day timings are as follows:

- 8:30 – 11:30 – Morning nursery
- 11:30 – 12:30 – Lunch club
- 12:30 – 3:30 – Afternoon nursery

If eligible for this full time funded place, your child will be able to stay for both the morning and afternoon nursery sessions. Our expectation is that your child will remain all day and so parents are offered a place at our **Lunch Club which will be charged at £10 for the session.** This is made up of an hour of child care plus the cost of the meal.

If you do not wish for your child to stay for Lunch Club, parents may have the option of taking their child home for lunch. Please discuss this with the Admissions Officer.

Applying for funding to access a Full Time Funded Place

Parents must apply via Gov.uk to obtain an eligibility code*. This 30 hours funding code must be passed on to the Admissions Officer to secure your offer of a place at Burlington Nursery, along with a non-refundable deposit of £100.

If you are experiencing any problems checking your eligibility, please contact the Childcare Service on 0300 123 4097.

Once your place has been confirmed and your child takes up a Full Time Funded place, the deposit will be deducted from your lunch fees for the first half term. We are not able to offer a refund if you change your mind and decide not to take up a place.

****The eligibility is only valid for 3 months and you will need to reconfirm your eligibility every 3 months in order to maintain the funded place. If you fall out of eligibility, you will have the option to pay for your child's full time place at £40 per session.***

3 Full-Time Paid Places

If families are not eligible for a funded place, but would still like to apply for a Full Time place, we offer a limited number of Full Time Paid places. As these places are limited, we ask that you state the nature of any special circumstances which would support your application for a Full-Time Paid place (for example, both parents working full-time). In order to access our Full Time provision, children must attend the nursery every day.

With the Full Time Paid places, children will receive their 3 hours of free Nursery education per day (funded by the Government) and parents will pay for the additional 4 hours each day. Each Full Time place is charged at £40 per session. All 5 days must be attended each week.

Please note that a non-refundable deposit of £100 will be required to confirm a FT place on a first come first served basis. This deposit will be deducted from your first half term's fees. Once your place is confirmed, payment will be required for the first half of the autumn term by **Monday 7 July 2025**.

Nursery Lunch Club

Depending on the number of full time children in the nursery, we may have a limited number of additional lunch club places available for parents who would like to extend their child's part time nursery session **by one hour** to include a freshly cooked hot lunch served in the Nursery. You can view the current term's lunch menu for Nursery on our [School Lunches web page](#).

Children attending a morning session would stay until 12.30pm, and children joining the afternoon session would arrive at 11.30am. Each Lunch Club session **costs £10**, which includes a healthy cooked lunch. A reduced rate of £5 is available for those children who qualify for the Early Years Pupil Premium.

Please email the Admissions Officer to register your interest for this option, although please note this offer will only be available from October onwards once the children are settled in Nursery.