

Funding and Charges

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We offer government-funded early education and childcare places, subject to eligibility, availability and our admissions arrangements.

Available support

- Up to 30 funded hours for eligible working families from the term after a child turns nine months old until school age.
- 15 funded hours for eligible two-year-olds receiving additional support.
- 15 universal funded hours for all three- and four-year-olds.
- Tax-Free Childcare for eligible families paying for private childcare.

How funding works

Apple Blossom Nursery is term-time only. Funded entitlements are normally taken over 38 weeks and cannot be carried forward when unused. Families may split hours between approved providers but must declare the hours used at each setting.

Working-family codes

Parents apply through the government childcare service and reconfirm every three months. Codes must be valid by 31 August for September, 31 December for January or 31 March for April. A valid code does not guarantee that the requested sessions are available.

What is included

We do not charge for healthy snacks, learning resources, craft materials, toys, books, everyday nursery activities or SEND support provided during funded hours. Parents provide a packed lunch and drink, nappies, wipes, nappy bags, spare clothing and sun cream where requested. Please speak privately with Caroline if this creates difficulty.

Additional charges

- Additional private childcare hours are charged at our published rate and are subject to availability.
- A £10 non-refundable administration fee may apply when registering for privately paid childcare. It is not a condition of a completely funded place.
- Late collection may be charged at £10 for each started 30-minute period.
- Optional outings or special activities are explained in advance and an appropriate alternative is available where required.

Checking eligibility

Visit <https://beststartinlife.gov.uk/childcare-early-years-education/> or <https://www.gov.uk/get-childcare>. Our full fee schedule and funded-hours pattern are available from the nursery.

Questions or concerns

Questions? Contact Caroline Daniel, Owner/Manager, on 07720 313418 or admin@appleblossomnursery.co.uk.