Tenderlinks
DAY NURSERY

Nursery Fee Structure – January 2026

Nursery Standard Rates (Excluding Funding)

Fees Payable per Calendar Month – 7:30AM to 6:00PM

	1 Day	2 Days	3 Days	4 Days	5 Days
Monthly Rate	£459.33	£918.67	£1,378.00	£1,837.33	£2,296.67

Government Funded Rates

15 hours Universal Entitlement:

All 3 and 4-year-old children are able to access 570 hours of funded early education a year. This funding can be applied across the school terms (38 weeks per year) or stretched to cover a longer period of the year (51 weeks per year).

30 hours (15 additional hours)

Working parents of 3- and 4-year-olds are able to obtain an additional 15 hours of funded early education provided that they meet certain eligibility criteria. The provision of the 15 and 30 hours of funded early education by Tenderlinks Godalming is set out in the following sections. As a childcare provider, signing up to provide the additional 15 hours is voluntary. We always strive to provide the best childcare we can at affordable rates for parents so are happy to offer this.

When your Child is Eligible for Funding

Children who turn 9 months old on or between:

- 1 April and 31 August are eligible from the autumn term starting in September.
- 1 September and 31 December are eligible from the spring term starting in January.
- 1 January and 31 March are eligible from the summer term starting in April.

Policy and Provision (i.e., How many hours can I claim at Tenderlinks Day Nursery?)

How Funded Early Education is delivered at Tenderlinks

We offer the 15 funded entitlement hours funded by the Government as part of our full day care, applied over 51 weeks (full day) of the year.

We offer up to 570 hours per year, which equates to:

- Full days: 11.17 hours per week for full days over 51 weeks of the year.

We offer a maximum of 5 hours of Government funding per day as part of full days. We apply a charge for the additional hours provided outside of the funded hours. The government funding does not cover all costs incurred by operators in providing their care and education. (for example, food, consumables, enhanced qualifications) but they do allow operators to make a charge for this, which is voluntary for parents.

We do have a number of free, at the point of access places where we as a business cover all the costs not funded by the government. These are intended for families in need to ensure there are no barriers to accessing our exceptional care. These are limited in numbers & sessions, so please contact contact@tenderlinks.co.uk for more details.

How do the funded hours affect my nursery fees?

Your Universal 15-hour entitlement will be provided free at the point of delivery. As per our policy, Tenderlinks Day Nursery do however, charge for the additional hours provided outside the entitlement hours funded by the Government (see our policy above for the provision of hours as part of full days). Please note that these additional fees also include consumables, such as meals and activities.

The tables below detail our charges for the additional hours outside the Universal 15-hour entitlement for full day care.

Full Days (7:30AM to 6:00PM) 11.17 hours per week over 51 weeks per year = 570 hours per year

Attendance (days per week)	Funded hours per week	Additional hours per week	Number of weeks per year	Cost of additional hours per month
2	11.17	8.83	51	£561.39
3	11.17	18.83	51	£1,054.80
4	11.17	28.83	51	£1,505.30
5	11.17	38.83	51	£1,955.80

30 Hours per Week of Funded Childcare

The total of 30 funded hours is provided for 38 weeks of the year, giving a total of 1140 hours per year.

For children attending full days, these hours per week are “stretched” across the 51 weeks of the year that we operate. Dividing 1140 hours by 51 weeks gives 22.34 funded hours per week. If your child is attending 30 hours per week your chargeable hours would be:

30 hours – 22.34 = 7.66 hours per week.

Additional weeks are chargeable and averaged over the year to give the weekly fees shown in the table below. Please note that these additional fees include consumables, such as meals and activities.

Full Days (7:30AM to 6:00PM) 3 x 10-hour days provided.

FULL DAYS: 7:30AM TO 6:00PM. 22.34 HOURS PER WEEK OVER 51 WEEKS PER YEAR = 1,140 HOURS PER YEAR

Attendance (days per week)	Funded hours per week	Additional hours per week	Number of weeks per year	Cost of additional hours per month
3	22.34	7.66	51	£758.09
4	22.34	17.66	51	£1,208.59
5	22.34	27.66	51	£1,659.09

2-Year-Old Working Parents Funding

From September 2025, families with children aged two years old, who meet the eligibility criteria, are entitled to a maximum of 30 hours per week of funded early education for 38 weeks per year from the term after their child's second birthday. Again, this will be stretched across the 51 weeks of the year. This will run until the child is eligible for the three-year-old nursery education funding which is the term after their third birthday.

Additional weeks are chargeable and averaged over the year to give the weekly fees shown in the table below. Please note that these additional fees include consumables, such as meals and activities.

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9-Month-Old Working Parents Funding

From September 2025, families with children aged between 9 months – 23 months, who meet the eligibility criteria, are entitled to a maximum of 30 hours per week of funded early education for 38 weeks per year from the term after their child's second birthday. Again, this will be stretched across the 51 weeks of the year that we operate. This will run until the child is eligible for the two-year-old working parent funding which is the term after their second birthday.

You apply online here on gov.uk once you have checked our eligibility criteria.

You'll need to make sure you have the following information to hand before starting the application:

- your national insurance number (or unique taxpayer reference if you are self-employed)
- the date you started or are due to start work
- details of any government support or benefits you receive
- the UK birth certificate reference number (if you have one) for your child.

You may find out if you're eligible straight away, but it can take up to 7 days.
Once your application has been approved, you'll get a code to give to your childcare provider.

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Additional Daily Charges for Funded Only Spaces

These charges are voluntary. Should you wish to opt out, you would need to provide your own meals, resources and supplies. More information upon request.

Food	£10
Activities	£5
Consumables	£5

Terms:

i. Full day attendance is from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm
ii. Non-refundable registration fee of £150.00 is payable upon securing a place (Unless accessing a funding ONLY space)
iii. Settling-in payment of £85 is due for 4 sessions
iv. Standard Rate Fees include breakfast, lunch, tea, milk, and snacks
v. Fees are fully payable during the nursery closure period, inset days, bank holidays, and on days your child is absent
vi. Fees are payable monthly by the 25th day of each month. Payments can be made by direct debit, standing order, child tax credit, or childcare vouchers
vii. At least one calendar months' notice will be given before any revision of fees.
viii. Parents are required to give at least 2 Calander months' notice if they wish their child to leave the nursery.
ix. Children must be attending a minimum of 3 full days per week, including, either a Monday or Friday, to qualify for 30 funded hours which is Nursery Policy.