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30 Hours Places and Eligibility

Sharlston Community School currently offers term time, sessional funded places for 3 and 4 year olds in our Nursery. In addition to this, from September 2021, the school will also offer any eligible parents the option of taking 15 additional funded hours per week, based on the extended entitlement or '30 hours' scheme.

From September, funded universal 15 hours can be taken at the following times, Monday to Friday, term time only;

Morning session 8:30am – 11:30am **OR** **Afternoon session 12:15pm-3:15pm**

From September 2021 we will also be **offering extended entitlement (or 30 hours) to any eligible families**, at the following times;

Monday to Friday school term time only 8:30am – 2:30pm

As our normal nursery afternoon session finishes at 3.15pm, parents eligible for the extended entitlement can choose to pay for childcare for the extra 45 minutes at the end of the day. This extra part of the child's additional session is chargeable at the rate of £3 per three quarters of an hour. A full week costs £15.

Where a parent wishes to cancel either funded or paid for sessions, a period of 2 weeks notice is required. Charges will still apply should a child be absent for whatever reason.

Places for 30 hours are limited, and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. No guarantee can be made that a child will receive additional hours even if parents are eligible, however, we will do our best to meet need.

Children who are accessing 30 hours will need to bring a packed lunch, or parents can choose to purchase a school meal via our online school meals website.

Parents can check their initial eligibility using the following criteria:

Eligible	NOT Eligible
Parents BOTH working, (or sole parent where one parent lives on their own)	Only one parent of a two parent household working (if two parent family)
Each expecting to earn at least 16 hours on the National Living Wage per week, and less than £100,000/year in the next three months	Either parent expecting to earn less than approx. £120/week or over £100,000/year in the next three months
Self employed parents and those on zero- hours contracts who meet the criteria	Parents who are studying or are in training and do not meet the criteria
One or both parents are on maternity, paternity, adoption or statutory sick leave	Either parent is a non EEA national who is subject to immigration control with no recourse to public funds
Foster children who meet the relevant criteria	



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If you think you meet the criteria, and wish to take up the extended entitlement (30 hours), then you must apply via the Government's digital childcare service, on the link below, who will verify your eligibility and provide you with an 11 digit code. Generally, this takes about 20 minutes and you may find out if you are eligible straightaway, although it can take up to 7 days.

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-30-hours-free-childcare>

Children become eligible for 30 hours the term **AFTER** they turn three, parents of both existing nursery pupils, along with those of new starters, can apply; places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Parents will need to provide school with their code and complete the attached form requesting 30 hours, to give permission for the Local Authority to verify eligibility before any places can be offered. It is the responsibility of parents to reconfirm their eligibility every three months.

If you have any further queries regarding Nursery places, please contact the school office, on 01924863044 or email sharlstonadmin@watertonacademytrust.org and a staff member will be in touch.

Kind regards

Mrs Dunderdale

Headteacher