

## **Early Years Funding and it's Application to Fees**

Currently the Government offer three types of funding for the Early Years sector. They are 2-year-old funding (FEEE 2), 15-hour funding for 3 and 4 year olds (FEEE 3) and 30 hour Funding for 3 and 4 year olds (Additional FEEE 3)

At Rum Tum Tugger's to simplify invoices, we calculate your annual funding and off set it against 12 consecutive invoices. Funding is received 3 times a year and is spread out as follows:

Term	Months covered			
Spring	January	February	March	April
Summer	May	June	July	August
Autumn	September	October	November	December

### **2-year-old funding (FEEE 2)**

Rum Tum Tugger's Nursery has a limited number of spaces for children in receipt of FEEE 2. FEEE 2 is available to some children the term after their second birthday.

Families eligible for FEEE 2 will need to apply online via the childcare choices website. [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk) If eligible They will receive a code which needs to be given to the nursery along with your National Insurance number. Without this code we cannot claim funding for you. The Nursery are able to support families to complete this form on line if necessary.

Once Funding has been allocated it is not transferrable unless under exceptional circumstances.

FEEE 2 can be accessed as a free nursery place over the full 51 weeks, providing children with 12 1/2hours a week over 3 afternoon sessions. FEEE 2 can also be used in conjunction with payed hours over the 51 weeks. Funding will then be deducted from the monthly fees and the residual is payable in the usual way.

### **15-hours Government Funding for 3 and 4 year olds (FEEE 3)**

1. The government offers finance for a free nursery place for every child from the beginning of the academic term after their third birthday. This consists of up to 15 hours a week over 38 weeks a year
2. Rum Tum Tugger's does not offer a pre-school option so funding is offset against the fees for day care.
3. Rum Tum Tugger's only offer funded places between the hours of 8am and 6pm  
For Children who accessed the FEEE 2, in extreme circumstances and at the discretion of the directors, Rum Tum Tugger's can provide a free 15 hours' pre-school place, over 2 afternoons a week for 51 weeks a year.
4. There is an optional food and consumables package chargeable per day for all children (not applicable to free FEEE 2 and free FEEE 3 places). This may be waived for children attending for a set number of hours
5. Where a child attends day care and a school run nursery class, all funding is offered to the school and there is no split between providers.
6. Where a child attends a mix of providers other than school run nursery classes, parents/carers can nominate how to spread the sessions available and any additional hours are charged at the usual rate.
7. If a child joins the nursery part way through a term and has already claimed funding at a different setting, it is at the discretion of the previous setting whether or not they pass the funding on to Rum Tum Tugger's Nursery. (and vice-versa)
8. Additional sessions added in the current term may not receive funding until the following academic term, but we will attempt to make a late claim.

### **30 hour funding for 3 and 4 year olds** (Additional FEEE 3) in addition to the above terms and conditions

9. Parents need to apply for funding at [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk)
10. Eligible families will receive a code which needs to be given to the nursery along with their National Insurance number. Without this code we cannot claim funding. It is the responsibility of the parents to reconfirm this code every 3 months. If the code is out of date, Rum Tum Tugger's Nursery cannot claim the funding and invoices will reflect this until the next term.
11. If you are eligible to claim the additional funding this does not mean that you can access care at Rum Tum Tugger's as we only offer the 30 hours under certain conditions.
12. Rum Tum Tugger's only offer funded places between the hours of 8am and 6pm
13. As above the funding will be offset against the full day care fees.
14. Rum Tum Tugger's will offer a maximum of 95 funded hours per month for 51-week children.

15. For children on a 42-week year the Additional funding will only be available over a minimum of 3 full days or 4 school days.
16. The Additional 15 hours funding will be available to children that attend nursery for more than 14 hours a week over a 51-week year, or 28 hours a week over a 42 week Academic year.
17. No discounts for a full-time place, NHS, Siblings, or work associated discounts will apply to children claiming 30 hours funding. No staff discounts will be applicable to 30 hours funding.
18. Children attending more than 130 hours per month over 51 weeks or more than 140 hours per month over 42 weeks will have the food and consumable free in lieu of other discounts.

Full details of how the government funding is calculated can be obtained from County Hall, 01245 512300 and will be shown with your claim form each term.

Each term we will provide parents with a form to complete detailing unique information about your child and offering you the preference of how to split your sessions between settings. The form remains at nursery and authenticates the application for funding that the setting makes on your behalf. Funding is paid directly to the nominated setting. Wherever possible, invoices will show the deductions made for funding each month.

Reviewed November 2019 by Jillian Pascale