



SHERFIELD
EARLY YEARS

Early Years

Fees & Funded Hours

From May 2026





At Sherfield Early Years we offer parents the opportunity to use government funding towards fees.

Fees from April 2026

Session/Item	3 to 19 months <i>Caterpillars</i>	19 to 30 months <i>Transition Caterpillars / Butterflies</i>	2-3 years <i>Butterflies</i>	3-4 years <i>Pre-Reception</i>
Full Day (8:00am-6:00pm)	£140.70	£120.60	£96.90	£96.90
Morning (8:00am-1:00pm)	£70.35	£60.30	£48.45	£48.45
Afternoon (1:00pm-6:00pm)	£70.35	£60.30	£48.45	£48.45
Breakfast (7:30am-8.00am) Daily Charge	£2.95	£3.95	£3.95	£3.95
Optional Fees (funded sessions only)* per-funded session	£2.90	£2.90	£2.65	£2.65

*Optional per-funded session fees are for consumables like nappies, wipes, suncream, and snacks. Parents can contact the admissions team to opt out and provide their own. Morning sessions include a two-course lunch, and afternoon sessions include a two-course tea. For full fee non-funded sessions, these consumables are included in the fees



Early Years Entitlement

Funding Scheme

Sherfield is a registered provider of the EYEF Scheme. EYEF-funded session hours are delivered free of charge. Parents of children from 9 months to school age may be able to claim for up to 30 hours per week (1,140 hours/year), depending on family circumstances.

Funding Options

15 hours Universal Funding for 3 and 4 year olds

All children aged 3 and 4 are eligible for Universal Funding of 15 hours' funded childcare per week. This starts on 1 January, 1 April or 1 September following your child's 3rd birthday and can be claimed until your child starts school. Families already claiming the 15 hours can upgrade to the new 30 hours entitlement if they are eligible.

30 hours Working Families Entitlement

If you live and work in England, you may be entitled to 30 hours of funded childcare from the term after your child turns 9 months old and up to starting school. Families may wish to 'stretch' their funding over the 48 weeks that we are open.

To check if you meet the eligibility criteria, please visit these websites: [Eligibility for 30 hours childcare - Best Start in Life](#) and [Funded childcare for working families | Children and Families | Hampshire County Council](#).

What do the funded hours cover?

The funding covers 15 or 30 hours of core childcare.

What does the funding not cover?

Optional per-session fees for food and consumables such as nappies, wipes and suncream are not covered by the funding. Sherfield parents can opt to pay an additional consumables charge per session, or opt out and provide their own items.

Applying for Working Families Entitlement Funding

How to apply

To take advantage of the **30 hours Working Families Entitlement**, families will need to:

- Apply online through [HMRC's Childcare Service](#) to get a working families eligibility code.
- Provide the 11-digit eligibility code, along with your National Insurance number and your child's date of birth by filling in Hampshire's Parent Declaration [form](#).
- Submit your code to us by 31 March for funding to be processed for the Summer Term. See the table below for other deadlines.
- Reconfirm eligibility every three months via the Childcare Service to continue claiming funded hours.

When to apply

When your child turns 9 months old	When you can get your hours from	Deadline for applying
Between 1 September and 31 December	1 January	31 December
Between 1 January and 31 March	1 April	31 March
Between 1 April and 31 August	1 September	31 August

Tax-free Childcare

You may be eligible for Tax-Free childcare. This is a government-run scheme where for every £8 you pay into the account, the government will top up by £2.

Tax-free childcare vouchers can be used to pay for childcare costs. Find out more about tax-free childcare here: <https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare?step-by-step-nav=d78aeaf6-1747-4d72-9619-f16efb4dd89d>

You can use tax-free childcare in conjunction with your free hours entitlement.

Terms & Conditions

- Bookings should be for the same session(s) each week and one month's notice must be provided for any changes to selected sessions. Changes will be accommodated based on availability of alternative sessions.
- For Term Time pupils additional sessions may be added subject to availability. Requests for holiday sessions should be made to the Early Years Manager at the earliest opportunity. If there are places available, they will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis. The fees will then be charged for each session booked.
- Terms and Conditions applicable to Sherfield Early Years are contained in the School Terms and Conditions document.
- Limited wrap-around breakfast care is available from 7.30am on a first-come, first-served basis. Booking requests can be made via hppa@sherfieldschool.co.uk and once confirmed in writing, bookings are subject to standard Early years notice periods. Fees for this will be invoiced with standard Early Years fees.
- Optional fees pay for consumables during the morning and afternoon session when claiming the funded hours. These include nappies, wipes, and sunscreen. For morning sessions, this includes a two-course lunch and for afternoon sessions, this includes a two-course tea. Parents who wish to opt out of this daily charge, will need to provide these for their child each day. They will also need to provide a cold lunch and snack for their child each day in a named lunchbox. Nut products sent in will be removed and disposed of. We do not have facilities to warm up food.
- Fees for Early Years are continually reviewed and any changes will be publicised with a term's notice before implementation.
- A late charge of £10.00 per 15 mins will apply for any persistent late collections after discussion with the Early Years Manager.
- Room transition – movement between rooms is at the discretion of the Early Years Manager, Key Person and Room Leader in conjunction with parents, based on the developmental stage of each individual child.
- Sherfield Early Years Centre participates in the government Early Years Education Funding (EYEF). This entitles all children aged 3-5 years to a standard 30 hours of funded provision. Children become entitled to funding from the term following their 3rd birthday until the term during their 5th birthday.
- Sherfield Early Years Centre also participates in the EYEF scheme of 30 hours per week for eligible parents of 2-year-old children and for eligible parents of children from the term after they are 9 months old to 2 years.
- Entitlement to EYEF starts in the funding period following the child's eligible birthday, 1 January, 1 April, and 1 September and does not follow the academic year.
- Fees are chargeable for the hours beyond 30 hours EYEF and the funding is deducted prior to the invoice being issued.
- Parents are invoiced monthly in advance fees and are payable in advance.
- Parents must have completed an EYEF Declaration form for each year or the EYEF will not be deducted from the fee.
- Parents are responsible for checking and providing their eligibility code to be able to access the funding.
- Further information on EYEF can be found on the local authority website.



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