

2–3-Year-Old Funding Entitlement

With the changes taking place from September 2025, if you currently claim the 15-hour funding (non-working parent entitlement), the hours, booking patterns, and contracts we will be offering are as follows:

- *Funded Hours Availability:*
The 15 hours of universal entitlement will continue to be available during term time in line with Trafford's term dates (38 weeks per year), totalling 570 hours annually.
- *Session Options:*
Sessions must meet the minimum attendance requirement in line with the available contracts.
- *Stretching the Funding:*
If you would like to stretch the 15 hours over 51 weeks, this will reduce the number of funded hours to 12 hours per week over 4 days- 3 hours a day.
- *Additional Hours and Charges:*
Any hours attended outside of the funded 15 hours will be charged at our standard hourly rate. Additional charges may also apply for meals, consumables, and certain activities, which are not covered by the funding.
- *Contract Types:*
Parents will be required to sign a funding contract, confirming their child's attendance pattern and use of funding. This ensures we can claim the correct funding and allocate places fairly.
- *Changes to Sessions:*
Any requests to change sessions or reduce attendance must be made in writing and are subject to availability. A notice period may apply as per our terms and conditions.

We are committed to providing high-quality early education and flexible options for all families. If you have any questions or would like help understanding how these changes affect you, please contact us directly.



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