

Happy Stars is open 50 weeks a year, Monday to Friday 8am – 6pm, closed for one week at August bank holiday and one week at Christmas and all public holidays.

Happy Stars is committed to providing equality of opportunity and anti-discriminatory practice for all children, families, staff members and visitors. Everyone is made welcome and we are fully committed to valuing diversity.

We offer all 3 and 4 year old's 15 hours free early education for 38 weeks per year the term after a child's third birthday. These sessions are available over two to five days each week within our opening times. Example sessions are 8am – 1pm, 8am-3.30pm. Alternatively families may choose to 'stretch' their funding over 50 weeks of the year, this equates to approximately 11hrs 20 minutes per week, a variety of options are available if parents decide to use their funding in this way.

Families have the option of paying for a 2 course lunch or providing a packed lunch, packed lunches must follow our health eating policy and there are limited places for this.

The funding can be split between two providers and where this is the case we will provide a communication book so information about your child's progress and interests may be shared enabling both providers to best meet the individual needs of your child.

A parental agreement form will need to be completed detailing your child's personal information and we will need to see your child's birth certificate.

Your child must attend their contracted hours each week or you may lose all or part of your free entitlement and sessions may not be increased or decreased during the term once the parental agreement form has been completed.

Funding for 2 year old's may also be available, however criteria applies for the 2 year funding. There is more information available on our website. We are now able to check if your child is eligible for 2-year funding in nursery.

As from September 2017 some parents may be entitled to an additional 15 hours funding.

This will be offered to parents as follows

Early Years Funding for 3 and 4 year olds in receipt of 15 hours only

Our supplement contributions for the children that are in receipt of the 15 hours funding are increasing, please see the fees below, this helps us to cover the cost of our daily fees, food and provisions and other resources.

Supplement contributions for sessions available – stretched funding 11.5 hours per week 50 weeks per year, additional sessions charged at our normal nursery fees		
8-3:30pm session (7.5 hours) £7.50 x 1	1-5pm £5.00 x 1	
Supplement contributions for sessions available — Term Time only 15 hours per week 38 weeks per year (nursery term dates only) limited places available		
8-3:30pm session (7.5 hours) £7.50 x 2		
8-1pm session £5.50 x 3		
1-4:45pm session £5.00 x 4		

Early Years Funding for 3 and 4 year olds in receipt of 30 hours

Our supplement contributions for the children that are in receipt of the 30 hours funding are increasing, please see the fees below, this helps us to cover the cost of our daily fees, food and provisions and other resources.

Supplement contributions for sessions available – stretched funding 22.5		
hours per week 50 weeks per year, additional sessions charged at our		
normal nursery fees		
8-5pm £9.50	8-1pm £5.50	
8-3:30pm session (7.5 hours) £7.50	1-5pm £5.00	
Supplement contributions for sessions available – Term Time only 30 hours		
per week 38 weeks per year (nursery term dates only) limited places		
available		
8-6pm £10.00 x 3 sessions		
8-3:30pm session (7.5 hours) £7.50 x 4 session		

Supplement contributions:

These contributions go towards additional services which will part cover the cost of meals, drinks and snacks. This charge will also cover the cost of your child's Learning Journey, baking, messy play, craft supplies, planting and growing, equipment to support children's personal care needs and requirements. It will also cover the cost of outside agencies we have come into the nursery and our trips and visits around the local area which take place throughout the year. It also helps to cover the cost of the resources and additional consumables for all of our annual celebrations.

We appreciate that this is an additional cost to you, and we have kept this cost to a minimum and we do very much thank you for your cooperation. This helps towards us being able to give your child the best quality experience they can have whilst they are with us. Should you have a cause for concern in relation to making this extra payment, please do speak to a member of the management team.

If you would prefer to provide your child with all meals and snacks for the sessions that they attend then you will need to follow our health eating policy there will be a reduction in your supplement charge.

limited places available. This will also need to be discussed with Clare before the place is accepted.

Children attending more than their stretched hours will be invoiced supplement charges per session/day and additional sessions or days will be charged at our normal fees.

Reviewed
April 2015
August 2016 (stretch funding and lunches)
August 2017 (30 hours funding and supplement charges)
January 2018
New fees added February 2019
Updated fees 2020
Updated Fees 2022 additional week closed in Summers from 2022
Updated due to changes in fees and supplement charges January 2023