

Early Years funding

There are currently 3 funding streams:

570 hours of **2YO** funding

Eligibility criteria: Economic i.e. household income less than £15,400 (applications via www.familyspacecroydon.co.uk) or Looked After Child or Child with an Education Health Care Plan/SEND

570 hours of **universal 3YO** funding

No criteria

Extended entitlement i.e. an additional 570 hours of **3YO** funding

Eligibility criteria: All parents in the family home need to be working the equivalent of 16 hours a week at minimum wage; all applications are made online via Childcare Choices www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

Both the 2YO and universal funding are guaranteed whereas parents need to re-confirm their information with HMRC every 3 months to ensure the extended hours remain valid. Therefore this needs to be considered when structuring your funded offer.

Funding can be delivered as either a term time offer i.e. delivered as 15 hours over 38 weeks (570 hours) or a stretched offer where the hours are spread over more weeks e.g. 11 hours over 51 weeks (561 hours) or 12 hours over 47 weeks (564 hours) etc.

Any funded offer should clearly define what hours are funded and the costs of any additional services. Funding can be shared between any 2 sites in one day. Please see the examples below:

Term time offers

Pre-school 1 is open every day from 8.45 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. for 38 weeks of the year and offers 3 hour packages of education and care as shown, children bring a packed lunch:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.45 – 11.45	Funded	Funded	Funded	Funded	Funded
11.45–12.15 lunch	£4.00	£4.00	£4.00	£4.00	£4.00
12.15 – 3.15	Funded	Funded	Funded	Funded	Funded
3.15 – 3.45	£4.00	£4.00	£4.00	£4.00	£4.00

Pre-school 2 is open every day from 9.00 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. for 38 weeks of the year and offers 3 hour packages of education and care as shown, children bring a packed lunch:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.00 – 12.00	Funded	Funded	Funded	Funded	Funded
12.00– 2.30 lunch	£4.00	£4.00	£4.00	£4.00	£4.00
12.30 – 3.30	Funded	Funded	Funded	Funded	Funded

Any day nursery offering a term time offer has more flexibility in their offer as their opening hours are longer and therefore they could offer solid 6 hour funded offers as shown:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.00 – 9.00	£5	£5	£5	£5	£5
9.00 – 12.00	2 nd funded 15 hours	2 nd funded 15 hours	2 nd funded 15 hours	2 nd funded 15 hours	2 nd funded 15 hours
12.00 – 3.00	1 st funded 15 hours	1 st funded 15 hours	1 st funded 15 hours	1 st funded 15 hours	1 st funded 15 hours
3.00 – 6.00	£15	£15	£15	£15	£15

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.00 – 12.00	£20	£20	£20	£20	£20
12.00 – 3.00	2 nd funded 15 hours	2 nd funded 15 hours	2 nd funded 15 hours	2 nd funded 15 hours	2 nd funded 15 hours
3.00 – 6.00	1 st funded 15 hours	1 st funded 15 hours	1 st funded 15 hours	1 st funded 15 hours	1 st funded 15 hours

Lunch is served from 12 o'clock and there is a daily food charge of £5.

Stretched offers

Any day nursery who is open for 47 weeks a year can offer 24 funded hours a week and therefore use the 6 hour models described above as $47 \times 24 = 1,128$ hours.

Day nurseries who are open all the year round i.e. 51 weeks effectively offer 22 funded hours a week so parents could choose **four** 5.5 hour session meaning that anyone attending full time would pay full day rates for one day a week.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.00 – 9.00	£5	£5	£5	£5	£5
9.00 – 2.30	1 st funded session	3 rd funded session	5 th funded session	4 th funded session	2 nd funded session
2.30 – 6.00	£15	£15	£15	£15	£15

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.00 – 1.30	1 st funded session	3 rd funded session	5 th funded session	4 th funded session	2 nd funded session
1.30 – 6.00	£22.50	£22.50	£22.50	£22.50	£22.50

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.00 – 12.30	£22.50	£22.50	£22.50	£22.50	£22.50
12.30 – 6.00	1 st funded session	3 rd funded session	5 th funded session	4 th funded session	2 nd funded session

Lunch is served from 12 o'clock and there is a daily food charge of £5.

Some childminders do not work every day therefore the offer could be as shown below, children who are accessing 2YO or universal funding attend 3 sessions subject to one per day and a child who is eligible for the extended entitlement attends all 6. Food is charged at £3 per session or £5 per day or a parent can provide their own meals and snacks.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.00 – 12.00	Funded session	£60	Non working day	Funded session	Funded session
12.00 – 1.00	£6			£6	
1.00 – 5.00	Funded session			Funded session	
5.00 – 6.00	£6			£6	

All offers are subject to availability.