



The Duckling Nursery Fees 2026 – 2027

Private hours

Session	Time	Food	2 yr old fee	3/4 yr old fee
Breakfast Club	7.30 – 8.45	Breakfast provided	£7.90	£7.90
Morning	8.45 – 12.45	Snack provided, bring packed lunch	£40.30	£33.60
Afternoon early finish	13.00 – 15.00		£20.20	£16.80
Afternoon mid finish	13.00 – 16.30	Biscuit provided	£35.30	£29.40
Afternoon late finish	13.00 – 17.30	Biscuit and light tea provided	£45.40	£37.80
All day early finish	8.45 – 15.00	Snack provided, bring packed lunch	£63.00	£52.50
All day mid finish	8.45 – 16.30	Snack provided, bring packed lunch, biscuit provided	£78.20	£65.30
All day late finish	8.45 – 17.30	Snack provided, bring packed lunch, biscuit & light tea provided	£88.20	£73.50
After school club early finish	15.15 – 16.30	Biscuit provided	£7.90	£7.90
After school club late finish	15.15 – 17.30	Biscuit & light tea provided	£15.80	£15.80

Funded hours – Duckling Difference*

Session	Time	Food	Fee
Morning	8.45 – 12.45	Snack provided, bring packed lunch	£6.30
Afternoon early finish	13.00 – 15.00		£3.00
Afternoon mid finish	13.00 – 16.30	Biscuit provided	£5.60
Afternoon late finish	13.00 – 17.30	Biscuit and light tea provided	£7.60
All day early finish	8.45 – 15.00	Snack provided, bring packed lunch	£9.60
All day mid finish	8.45 – 16.30	Snack provided, bring packed lunch, biscuit provided	£11.90
All day late finish	8.45 – 17.30	Snack provided, bring packed lunch, biscuit & light tea provided	£14.20

* The Duckling Difference covers activities and consumable not included in government funded hours for 3 and 4 year olds and 2 year old funding for working families. See our fees and funding policy for more information.



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Additional Charges for FEEE funded sessions

The FEEE funding is intended to deliver 15 or 30 hours a week of funded high quality, flexible childcare. The 15 or 30 hours must be accessible free of charge to Parents. We do not enforce any mandatory charges for Parents in relation to the funded hours. According to the statutory guidance and Essex County Council local authority, the FEEE funding **does not cover the cost of meals and snacks, consumables, additional services (such as trips, holidays activities, outside providers, high quality curriculum enrichments).**

The Provider **can** charge Parents for the following in connection with the funded hours (with the exception of children who are accessing 2-year-old funding for families in receipt of Government Support only) but these charges must be **voluntary** for the Parent:

- **consumables** to be used by the child, such as nappies, wipes, hand towels and sun cream
- **meals and snacks** consumed by the child (based on what we provide per session)
- **Additional services** such as events, celebrations, specialist tuition (for example signing classes or specialist sports tuition) or other activities that are not directly related or necessary for the effective delivery of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) statutory framework*

At the Duckling Nursery, we call the additional voluntary charge the ‘**duckling difference**’ – everything that makes the Duckling Nursery different from other providers – what makes us stand out. The cost of these chargeable extras is published on our website under ‘fees and funding’. It is centred around the high-quality provision of the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum that we provide for all children. We long to provide all the enhancements listed below for all Ducklings children but they are not covered by funding we receive from the government.

Duckling Difference – Morning Session

8.45–12.45 | £6.30

Meals and Snacks – £1.31

- Fresh fruit
- Crackers/breadsticks
- Milk and water

Consumables – £2.21

- Nappies
- Wipes
- Paper towels and tissues
- Cleaning and hygiene supplies

Additional Services - £2.78

- Visiting specialists (e.g. Outdoor Wilderness Sessions)



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- External enrichment sessions

Curriculum Enhancements

- Cooking and baking ingredients
- Design and Technology materials
- Craft and creative resources

Total: 6.30

Duckling Difference – Afternoon Early Finish

13.00–15.00 | £3.00

(No food provided)

Consumables – £1.29

- Nappies
- Wipes
- Paper towels and tissues
- Cleaning and hygiene supplies

Additional Services - £1.71

- Visiting specialists
- External enrichment sessions

Curriculum Enhancements

- Cooking and baking ingredients
- Design and Technology materials
- Craft and creative resources

Total: £3.00

Duckling Difference – Afternoon Mid Finish

13.00–16.30 | £5.60

Food (Biscuit) – £0.63

Consumables – £2.10

- Nappies
- Wipes



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- Paper towels and tissues
- Cleaning and hygiene supplies

Additional Services – £2.87

- Visiting specialists
- External enrichment sessions

Curriculum Enhancements

- Cooking and baking ingredients
- Design and Technology materials
- Craft and creative resources

Total: £5.60

Duckling Difference – Afternoon Late Finish

13.00–17.30 | £7.60

Food (Biscuit & light tea) – £1.48

Consumables – £2.22

- Nappies
- Wipes
- Paper towels and tissues
- Cleaning and hygiene supplies

Additional Services – £3.90

- Visiting specialists
- External enrichment sessions

Curriculum Enhancements

- Cooking and baking ingredients
- Design and Technology materials
- Craft and creative resources

Total: £7.60



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Duckling Difference – All Day Early Finish

8.45–15.00 | £9.60

Food (Snack) – £1.31

Consumables – £3.37

- Nappies
- Wipes
- Paper towels and tissues
- Cleaning and hygiene supplies

Additional Services – £4.92

- Visiting specialists
- External enrichment sessions

Curriculum Enhancements

- Cooking and baking ingredients
- Design and Technology materials
- Craft and creative resources

Total: £9.60

Duckling Difference – All Day Mid Finish

8.45–16.30 | £11.90

Food (Snack & biscuit) – £1.98

Consumables – £3.66

- Nappies
- Wipes
- Paper towels and tissues
- Cleaning and hygiene supplies

Additional Services – £6.26

- Visiting specialists
- External enrichment sessions

Curriculum Enhancements

- Cooking and baking ingredients



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- Design and Technology materials
- Craft and creative resources

Total: £11.90

Duckling Difference – All Day Late Finish

8.45–17.30 | £14.20

Food - £2.80

- Snack
- Biscuit
- light tea

Consumables – £3.97

- Nappies
- Wipes
- Paper towels and tissues
- Cleaning and hygiene supplies

Additional Services – £7.43

- Visiting specialists
- External enrichment sessions

Curriculum Enhancements

- Cooking and baking ingredients
- Design and Technology materials
- Craft and creative resources

Total: £14.20