

Kindergarten Fees Information Sheet 2026-2027

Kindergarten days and hours for 2 to 4 year olds

Our Kindergarten is open 5 days a week. **The core time for the morning session is 9am to 1pm.** Afternoon attendance can be booked as required in addition to the morning session. Children may therefore stay after their morning session with flexible pick-up times (between 3pm and 5pm see below) to tie-in with end of school/afterschool clubs for older siblings at the school or parents work patterns. A breakfast club is also available from 8am. **A full day is therefore possible from 8am to 5pm Monday to Friday.**

The kindergarten is open during school term time (there are 3 school terms per year).

Early Years Funding for 2, 3 and 4 year olds

All 3 and 4 year olds are eligible for the 15-hour universal entitlement from the term following their 3rd birthday. We are also registered to offer up to 30 hours funding for 2, 3 and 4 year olds where parents are working and meet eligibility requirements. Please see Government website for more details.

Funded hours (see tables below and overleaf for full details)

3 funded hours are available for all eligible children each morning from Monday to Friday (15 hours). Additional hours to the funded hours are chargeable at the hourly rate shown. Up to 3 additional funded hours are available each afternoon for parents eligible for 30-hours funding. These should be booked in advance in order that we can claim for the number of additional hours to be booked. Parents can access 'funded only' places without paying for additional hours within the 'funded hours' times shown overleaf.

Funded hours entitlement offer	Unit	Cost
Term time offer (3 terms per year) 15-hour funding entitlement (maximum 3 hours per day over 5 days) 30-hour funding entitlement (maximum 6 hours per day over 5 days)	Hourly	Free
Additional hours purchased	Hourly	£12
Additional optional costs:		
Snacks and fruit (optional - see page 3) (Breakfast Club food - no additional charge)	Per day	£2.00
Cooked lunch (optional - see page 3)	Per lunch	£5.00
Trips/Children's Forest days (including 'Friends of Annan School PTA' levy towards minibus costs) (opt-out available - see page 3)	Per term	£35.00

Funded hours and fees for non-funded hours

Days and times children can attend using their funded entitlement

Sessions Monday-Friday	Funding	Session Fee
15-hour Early Years Funding Entitlement		
8am to 9am (Breakfast Club)	Funding not available	£12
Core Hours 9am to 1pm	9am -10am Funding not available	£12
	10am - 1pm (3 funded hours) (15-hours entitlement)	Free
1pm to 3pm/3.30pm/ 4pm/4.30pm/5pm	Funding not available (outside entitlement hours)	£12 per hour (£6 per ½ hour)
30-hour Early Years Funding Entitlement		
8am to 9am (Breakfast Club)	Funding not available	£12
Core Hours/extended hours 9am to 3pm/3.30pm/4pm	9am -10am Funding not available	£12
	10am - 3pm/3.30pm/4pm (up to 6 funded hours) (30-hours entitlement)	Free
4pm to 4.30pm/5pm	Funding not available (outside entitlement hours)	£12 per hour (£6 per ½ hour)
Not claiming Entitlement/not eligible to claim Entitlement		
8am to 9am (Breakfast Club)	Funding not available	£12
9am to 5pm (minimum of four hours between these hours)	Funding not available	£12 per hour

EXAMPLE WEEKLY COST:

9am to 1pm - Monday to Friday (20 hours per week)

Claiming 15 hours or 30 hours entitlement: Total cost to parent £60 per week

9am to 3 pm - Monday to Friday (30 hours per week)

Claiming 15 hours entitlement Total cost to parent £180 per week

Claiming 30 hours entitlement Total cost to parent £60 per week

8am to 5pm - Monday to Friday (45 hours per week)

Claiming 30 hours entitlement Total cost to parent £180 per week

Our funding offer

- Parents can access ‘funded only’ hours (EYFE) without paying for additional hours, provided these are taken within the ‘funded hours’ times shown.
- If parents in receipt of EYFE choose to provide their own snack, fruit and/or packed lunch, we request that these will be in line with the school’s current [Healthy Eating and Nutrition Policy](#).
- Trips to the Children’ Forest, visits to the library and the local garden centre, as well as our weekly music sessions provided by East Sussex Music School are an integral part of our early years provision at Annan. The costs of these are not included in the Early Years Funding. Parents of children accessing ‘funded only’ hours may opt out of these enhanced activities and will not be charged the termly fee shown (currently £35 per term).
- We do not charge for SEN support for children in receipt of Early Years funding.
- Parents are reminded that Early Years funding is provided on the basis that children attend regularly on their funded sessions. The local authority may withdraw funding or request a refund of funding they have paid to the provider where parents have not accessed their funded sessions. Although short periods of absence for illness or other unavoidable circumstances are permissible, holidays or other ‘time off’ during the funding period must be avoided. In the case of the school being required to repay the funding entitlement to the local authority, parents will be required to pay for the places at the usual ‘non-funded’ places fee.
- The local authority requires 6 weeks notice if you wish to withdraw your child from funded sessions.
- Parents may continue to receive the funding entitlement until the end of the term in which their child turns 5.
- Parents wishing to access ‘funded hours’ only, may do so until the end of the term in which their child turns 5. These hours are provided in the Kindergarten.
- From the term following their fifth birthday children must attend full-time in Reception. Early Years Funding is no longer available and published fees apply.