

FAO: Families in receipt of 3 & 4 year old funding ONLY

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope this message finds you well.

As Directors of Attimore Barn Nursery and Pre-School Ltd, we are writing to inform you of an important update regarding our preschool's financial operations. Starting from September 2024, in response to recent government policy concerning early years education, we will be implementing a **consumables fee**.

This fee of **£1.50 p/h** will go some way to cover the difference between the funding provided by the government (£5.77 p/h) and our hourly rate (£9) per hour. It will contribute to covering the additional costs associated with consumable items used in our daily educational activities, including art supplies, paper, snack items, and other materials essential for the learning experiences of our children.

It's important to note that the funding provided by the government is only designed to cover specific costs related to childcare/education. Therefore, while parents can opt out, they should be aware that in doing so, they would need to supply their own resources for their child, including snacks.

Your contribution, whether through the fee or by providing your own resources, will greatly assist us in maintaining our standards of excellence in early childhood education. Without the support of our community, the viability of our preschool is in question.

Should you have any inquiries or require further clarification regarding this fee, please do not hesitate to contact us. Your understanding and support are greatly appreciated as we continue to strive for excellence in early childhood education.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Tina Covill and Claire Mason Directors, Attimore Barn Nursery and Pre-School Ltd