

Colchester Fee Sheet 2026

Opening Hours: 7:30 am to 6:00 pm

Opening Days: Monday to Friday inclusive

Operational weeks: The nursery is open all year apart from one inset day, bank and public holidays, and between Christmas and New Year.

Childcare Vouchers, Funding and Tax-Free Childcare: Most childcare vouchers can be used at Bright Horizons nurseries. In advance of your child becoming eligible for funding, we will issue you with new terms and conditions. You can find helpful guides, signposts and more information including eligibility in our [Funding Pages](#)

If you work and pay for childcare you may be able to get Tax-Free Childcare to help with the costs. You can find more information [here](#).

Terms of Payment: All fees are required to be paid in advance by monthly direct debit.

These fees are effective from 01 January 2026

Nursery Fees to be billed to individual parents/families

Standard Monthly Fees (Invoiced for 52 Weeks over 12 months)

These fees apply to families who are not eligible for any government funding and represent the full, non-funded cost of childcare.

			Days Per Week				
			1	2	3	4	5
Age	Under 3's	Total Fee	£401.27	£802.53	£1,203.80	£1,605.07	£1,805.70
	Over 3's	Total Fee	£372.28	£744.55	£1,116.83	£1,489.11	£1,675.27

Fees Includes 10% discount for full week booking

Rates for additional sessions are available upon request.

Registration Fee £115

Funded Monthly Fees (50 Weeks stretched funding) (eligibility requirements)

Whilst the Government funding is structured for 38 weeks of the year (term time), at Bright Horizons we stretch the funded hours over 50 weeks** In the table below we show the monthly costs for each age group for the number of days a week of care. The table below itemises the funded hours with no charge, the cost of the additional hours and the cost of food, made up of 3 meals and snacks every day*.

			Days Per Week				
			1	2	3	4	5
Age	9 Months 30 Hrs	Funded Hours	41.67 Hrs / £0.00	83.33 Hrs / £0.00	95.00 Hrs / £0.00	95.00 Hrs / £0.00	95.00 Hrs / £0.00
		Additional Hours	3.83 Hrs @ £8.82 £33.81	7.67 Hrs @ £8.82 £67.61	41.50 Hrs @ £8.82 £365.99	87.00 Hrs @ £8.82 £767.26	132.50 Hrs @ £7.94 £1,051.67
		Food	£50.00	£100.00	£114.00	£114.00	£114.00
		Total Fee	£83.81	£167.61	£479.99	£881.26	£1,165.67
	2 Years 30 Hrs	Funded Hours	41.67 Hrs / £0.00	83.33 Hrs / £0.00	95.00 Hrs / £0.00	95.00 Hrs / £0.00	95.00 Hrs / £0.00
		Additional Hours	3.83 Hrs @ £8.82 £33.81	7.67 Hrs @ £8.82 £67.61	41.50 Hrs @ £8.82 £365.99	87.00 Hrs @ £8.82 £767.26	132.50 Hrs @ £7.94 £1,051.67
		Food	£50.00	£100.00	£114.00	£114.00	£114.00
		Total Fee	£83.81	£167.61	£479.99	£881.26	£1,165.67
	3's-5's 15 Hrs	Funded Hours	41.67 Hrs / £0.00	47.50 Hrs / £0.00	47.50 Hrs / £0.00	47.50 Hrs / £0.00	47.50 Hrs / £0.00
		Additional Hours	3.83 Hrs @ £8.18 £31.37	43.50 Hrs @ £8.18 £355.91	89.00 Hrs @ £8.18 £728.19	134.50 Hrs @ £8.18 £1,100.47	180.00 Hrs @ £7.36 £1,325.49
		Food	£50.00	£57.00	£57.00	£57.00	£57.00
		Total Fee	£81.37	£412.91	£785.19	£1,157.47	£1,382.49
	3's-5's 30 Hrs	Funded Hours	41.67 Hrs / £0.00	83.33 Hrs / £0.00	95.00 Hrs / £0.00	95.00 Hrs / £0.00	95.00 Hrs / £0.00
		Additional Hours	3.83 Hrs @ £8.18 £31.37	7.67 Hrs @ £8.18 £62.72	41.50 Hrs @ £8.18 £339.55	87.00 Hrs @ £8.18 £711.83	132.50 Hrs @ £7.36 £975.71
		Food	£50.00	£100.00	£114.00	£114.00	£114.00
		Total Fee	£81.37	£162.72	£453.55	£825.83	£1,089.71

We know that it can be challenging to figure out childcare fees and funding, you can find lots of help and guidance to help you understand your eligibility and what this means for you and your childcare costs on our [funding pages](#):

*Funded session fees include food, which equates to £1.20 per funded hour.

**Funding is often described as 15 hours and 30 hours depending on eligibility. It can be helpful to know that 15 Hours equates to 570 hours annually and that 30 hours equates to

If you'd like more help or to talk to us about fees, you can either:

Call us at the nursery directly on

01206 581 777

or book a tour and come and see us:

[Book Here](#)

