

Breakdown of the services you are paying for with your additional service payments.

Currently £1.91/hr. From September 2026 £2.10/hr

- For your ease and time-saving; all nappies, wipes, nappy cream, nappy sacks and suncream
- Allergy-safe snacks, ensuring no child goes hungry throughout their session
- Blast Sport coaching –
Our qualified sports coach comes into the nursery on a rolling day basis to enable children to experience an introduction to structured sports sessions with equipment. The coaching is delivered at an appropriate level for our early years age group.
This wonderful opportunity gives the children a head start to development of their gross motor skills, hand to eye coordination, balance, agility, spatial awareness, team building, working as an individual, taking turns, promoting fair play and sport knowledge. Above all, these sessions are fantastic for building self confidence in our children.
- Dancing with Claire –
Our qualified dance teacher Claire provides energetic dance and simple gymnastics classes on a weekly basis. They are extremely popular with our children, who strive to be awarded Claire's coveted 'Dancer of the Week' trophy, and are excellent for developing selfconfidence, co-ordination, and an early love of music and rhythm. Whilst learning these skills our children are having great fun with their friends. Dancing is a great way to exercise the body and mind and for most children it becomes a life-long love that they carry through into adulthood. The classes are a fantastic fun way to teach our children the importance of a healthy life style.
- Termly award winning Zoolab workshops –
Development in the early years is based on hands-on discovery and play, and the workshops provided by Zoolab's trained team give our children a fantastic opportunity to learn about a wide range of animals, how they move, their habitats and what they like to eat in a really fun, relaxed environment that encourages even the most timid child to take part. They cost our business over £500 per term, but we feel are worth every penny for the amazing opportunities they offer children.
- Termly House of Maths workshops –
Presented by Barney, who has a double first in maths from Oxford University and has designed unique workshops for the early years encouraging children to discover the beauty of maths hidden in our everyday lives. Encouraging children to think of maths in this fun way means that they start school already feeling positive about this important subject area, giving them a big advantage and step-up to their later mathematical learning.
- Nursery Christmas –
This magical time of year is celebrated with the children at our Christmas parties where every child is treated to a visit from Santa giving them a gift and card. A children's entertainer, party food and increased staffing levels ensure a fun time is had by all. The children also enjoy presenting hand-made gifts to their parents and posting home Christmas cards.
- Children's birthdays –
All children are presented with an age-appropriate gift and card on their special day.

- School leavers –
All children leaving nursery to attend school are invited to a Leaving Party and graduation ceremony with enhanced staffing levels to enable this, party food, certificates and a leaving gift for every child.
- Nursery Easter –
Chocolate easter eggs for egg hunts are provided for all children whose dietary requirements allow for this, or an alternative treat if not.
- Cookery activities –
Our children love the hands-on experience trying out recipes with allergy-safe ingredients we provide. Cookery sessions are teaching them about weighing and measuring, developing fine and gross motor skills, team work and an opportunity to try food items they may not have previously tasted. Cookery activities are also an excellent way of encouraging discussions about healthy eating.
- Tapestry – our online parent platform –
This allows you to access photos and comments about your child's development and learning in a convenient online platform. We aren't required to provide this under the EYFS but appreciate how helpful it is for parents who have busy lives but still want to feel connected to their child's life at nursery.
- Montessori equipment –
Montessori equipment is expensive to purchase and update but makes an amazing contribution to the development of motor skills, coordination, and focused attention. It teaches specific skills and fosters overall intellectual and social development. It is really beneficial for building children's confidence and independence, as they can work through problems independently. The Montessori materials also help children to develop a love of learning as they are designed to be engaging and fun, providing children with a really positive learning experience. The materials are a part of our unique identity and, although not required by the EYFS, provide a really strong support and enrichment to all that we offer as part of an EYFS curriculum.

In addition to the items listed above, our additional service costs go towards providing further important benefits for your child offered at our nurseries:

- Offering lower than required ratios of 2-year-olds per teacher. We have a member of staff for every 4 two-year-old children, but by law could increase this to 5 two-year-olds. We feel that this age group need a higher focus of attention than the 1:5 ratio allows for, and have opted to keep it at 4 children (as it was previously) to ensure a safer and richer environment at this crucial stage of early development.
- Training ALL of our staff team in Paediatric 1st Aid. We are only required to have **one** trained member of staff working on each session, but this puts a huge onus of responsibility on the designated officer, who may potentially 'freeze' in the face of a medical emergency. By training our whole team, we are providing a much safer environment for your child, as there will be several staff members available to act should it become necessary, potentially saving a child's life.

- Recruiting qualified and experienced staff to care for your children. All of our staff hold recognised childcare qualifications to a minimum Level 2. We do not rely on a number of unqualified apprentices who are making up a cheaper workforce in many other nursery settings.
- Allowing our staff teams to carry out paid for training in a wide range of areas to support the children's learning, rather than just the mandatory safeguarding training required by the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS). This results in a more rounded and better qualified staff team, who have the knowledge to provide a rich and varied curriculum to support each child's individual learning needs.