

Richmond Montessori Fee Sheet

Fees effective from 1st September 2024- 31st August 2025:

Our opening hours are from 8:00am to 6:00pm, Monday to Friday.

The nursery is open for 51 weeks of the year. We are closed for the Christmas break from 24th December 2024 and reopen on 2nd January 2025 and are closed for four staff inset days for training and development each year. A confirmed inset day is Monday 6th January 2025 for the Dukes Education Staff Conference, and the rest of the dates are to be confirmed – Please contact the nursery for guidance around additional closure days.

Fees are calculated to take these closures dates into account, and reflect a full year divided by 12 months, meaning the price you pay each month is the same.

Our fees are reviewed each year in line with changes to operational costs.

The minimum attendance for each child is three days per week, one of which to be a Monday or Friday.

Full Time Fees from 1 st September 2024: (Attendance each day from 8:00am to 6:00pm)			Fee with Funding applied* (15 hours)	Fee with Funding applied* (30 hours)
Under 3 years old	Full time	£2,296	£1,963	N/A
	4 days	£1,986	£1,653	N/A
	3 days	£1,490	£1,157	N/A
Extras	Day rate	£121	N/A	N/A

Full Time Fees from 1 st September 2024: (Attendance each day from 8:00am to 6:00pm)			Fee with Funding applied* (15 hours)	Fee with Funding applied* (30 hours)
Over 3 years old	Full time	£2,142	£1,857	£1,572
	4 days	£1,853	£1,568	£1,283
	3 days	£1,390	£1,105	£820
Extras	Day rate	£111	N/A	N/A

**Over 3 fees will be applied the month following a child's 3rd birthday.*

Please read our Admissions Policy which forms part of the Parent Terms and Conditions when accepting a place at the nursery.

The Registration Fee is £100 and is non-refundable. The Deposit to secure your child's place is £500 and is returned when your child leaves the nursery, provided the correct notice is given. Please note the Deposit is non-refundable if a place is cancelled prior to joining.

An administration charge of £100, plus an additional £100 for each whole week that the amount remains unpaid, will be added to your account should the nursery fees not be received by us on time.

Fees are payable in advance of your child attending the nursery and ongoing by the 1st of each calendar month. At Riverside Nursery Schools, all fees should be paid via Direct Debit unless paying with a Tax-Free Childcare account. We use 'GoCardless' as a platform to collect payments, please sign up to 'GoCardless' using the link on your invoice. The fees are payable all year round and take into account Public Holidays.

Please note there is strictly no discount on fees when taking any length of holiday. Fees remain the same if children are absent due to sickness and we cannot swap sessions.

Please note we require 2 months' notice when reducing an attendance schedule or when leaving the nursery.

Deposits:

Upon acceptance of the offer of a place, parents are required to pay a deposit of £500 to Riverside Nursery Schools Ltd. This deposit is returned to parents, without interest, shortly after the child's final day with us, taking into account any balance due and assuming that notice has been given in accordance with our Admissions Policy and Parent Terms and Conditions.

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Sibling Discount:

We offer a 7% sibling discount which is applied to the lower of the two invoices. When registering a sibling we will waive the £100 registration fee.

Late Collection:

The nursery is open from 8am – 6pm. A late collection fee of £30.00 is payable for every 15 minutes or part thereof outside these times to cover staff salaries.

Recommend a Friend:

Recommend a friend to Riverside and both families will be eligible for a discount. Please speak to us to find out more.

Government funding:

Our nurseries accept the Government 15 and 30 hours funding for all eligible children. Please visit <https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs> for details on eligibility and how to access entitlements.

For a full time place at our nursery, the amount of funding for 38 weeks is 'stretched' to cover the full year - in this case, 51 weeks.

Tax-free childcare:

Tax-free childcare is a method of paying for childcare costs such as nursery fees and provides a significant saving each month. It can be used alongside both 15 and 30 hours of funding.

We accept tax-free childcare as a payment method at all of our nurseries. You will first need to apply for tax-free childcare at <https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

Once set up, you can find your chosen nursery by searching for the postcode or the Ofsted registration number.

Childcare vouchers:

For those families that receive childcare vouchers, we accept most of the major providers of these vouchers. Please contact the finance team to discuss the current scheme you are using.

Extras and Essentials Fee:

The Government provides 15 or 30 hours of free childcare entitlement to cover the cost of delivering childcare at the appropriate ratios for each child. This funding does not cover the full cost of your child's place, as each nursery offers additional services, including but not limited to:

- Food, snacks and drinks
- Extracurricular activities
- Nursery supplies, including crafting and educational materials
- Consumables, including nappies, wipes, and creams
- Additional staffing not in ratios, to provide enhanced experiences for children
- Trips and outings
- Activities that include additional resources, such as cooking or crafts
- The cost of administering the funding itself.

Guidance states that parents should expect to contribute towards these as additional charges, on top of the funding that your childcare provider receives. Therefore, we charge an additional hourly fee for the funding accessed to maintain the high quality of care and early education we provide. This fee, along with any unfunded hours your child spends at the nursery, constitutes the monthly price you pay.