



National Day Nurseries Association

underfunded childcare

ndna.org.uk/ChargingGuidance

What DfE expects nurseries to deliver for £1.37 p/h*

*The amount of funding left after council admin and nursery staffing costs are factored in.

Funded Early Years Places – Further guidance on additional charges permitted/not permitted

Permitted ✓	Not Permitted ✗
<p>Items that are consumed or have a one-time use and therefore must be replaced can be charged for.</p> <p><i>If a parent does not want to pay for these 'extras' the provider should be able to provide options for alternatives to additional charges, e.g. bring packed lunch, alternative sessions where meals not included.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Large consumables are durable items used repeatedly and do not need to be purchased every time they are used.• Utilities are business cost and cannot be charged for as an additional cost.• Play Equipment, Learning Resources, Craft Materials & Staff Training are a requirement of delivering the EYFS and therefore a business cost.• Other business & EYFS costs: Stationery, computer software, online journals/tracking system & admin fees.• Health and Safety equipment is a requirement under Health and Safety legislation.• Care items are essential items for providing care to young children.• Top-up fees (the difference between a provider's usual fee and the funding they receive from the local authority to deliver funded places) or compulsory registration fee cannot be charged by the provider.
<p>Consumables</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Suncream• Meals• Nappies & disposal• Wipes• Snacks <p>Enrichment sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Swimming• Yoga• Football• Trip to the Zoo• French lessons• Forest school (when not standalone)• Rugby lessons <p>Nursery Uniform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Polo shirts• Jumpers <p><i>Uniforms can be charged for but wearing a uniform must not be a condition of the child attending and accessing their funded place.</i></p>	<p>Large consumables</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Washing machines• Fridges• Furniture• Computers <p>Utilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Internet• Gas• Electricity• Water <p>Staff wages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rent/Mortgage increases• Business rates <p>Learning resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interactive tables• iPads• Settings pets <p>Play equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Small world items• Sand• Trikes/balance bikes <p>Slides</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Climbing frames• Swings <p>Craft materials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paper, scissors, glue• Paint• Pencils and crayons• Messy play supplies• Baking supplies <p>Stationery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Printing paper• Envelopes• Writing implements• Printers• Photocopier
<p>Think?</p> <p>?</p>	<p>Care items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bedding and blankets• Sleep mats• Toilet roll• Hand towels• Cleaning products <p>Health and Safety equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plasters• Staff PPE• Cleaning materials• Fire extinguishers• CCTV <p>Staff training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• DBS checks• Safeguarding• Food hygiene• Staff development• SENCo training <p>Computer software</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Microsoft package• Adobe• Anti-virus <p>Online journals/tracking systems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Family• Tapestry• EYFS Tracker• eyLog• eyWorks• Evidence <p>Administration Fees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paperwork time• Parents evenings• Progress reports <p>Top Up Fees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hourly additional fee• Session additional fee• Compulsory registration fees to access funded place
<p>Educational visits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Creepy Crawly shows• Police/Library/Church visits• Bus trips <p><i>If the activity is not specifically part of the EYFS, travel costs and other reasonable charges associated with the trip can be charged to parents.</i></p> <p><i>Parents must have the option of their child attending or not. Consider what effect not attending may have on children whose parents opt to not take part in the trip.</i></p>	