ASHFORD SCHOOL

June 2026

Re: Free Early Education (FEE)

At Ashford Prep School Nursery we provide a very high standard of education and pastoral care, with outstanding facilities and excellent staff.

We offer full days from 8am until 3pm along with the wrap around care arrangements including breakfast club, after school club and holiday clubs. We do not provide part mornings or part days as we feel educationally and operationally these are not in the best interests of the children. Charges are published on the fees pages of our website. At Ashford Prep School we only offer the universal 15 hours Free Early Education (FEE) Funding, we do not offer the extended entitlement.

The fee schedule is enclosed, showing the fees payable to Ashford School for the provision of nursery education where there is an entitlement to FEE. Please note that we are able to offer 33 weeks of FEE for the academic year 2026/2027.

A claim for FEE can be made from the term after a child's third birthday until the 1st term of their 5th birthday. Please note that this is only applicable up to the age of Reception class. If you would like your child to attend for a morning or whole day session fees are payable in line with the schedule on the fees page of our website. Our mornings are 8.00am – 12.00 noon and our full days are 8.00am – 3.00pm (including 3 hours FEE). Please see our schedule of fees for further information.

You are, of course, able to indicate your preferred days and how many sessions you wish your child to attend each week. We will do our best to accommodate your preferences provided we have the available spaces and the necessary staff. We recommend children attend for at least two sessions each week; this helps them settle into nursery routines and supports preparation for moving into Reception.

If you would like to access 15 hours FEE without incurring any charges you can do so between 12pm and 3pm Monday to Friday - places will be subject to availability. If your child is only accessing the Free Early Education between the above-mentioned hours, there will be no registration fee or deposit and there will be no requirement to purchase school uniform or a school bag. The School's standard notice periods do not apply to Free Early Education, so there will be no fees in lieu of notice and we are unable to suspend or terminate the FEE.

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At the start of the school term after your child's third birthday, you will be asked to complete and sign a Parental Declaration Form. This document will be available from the Nursery office during the first week of the months of September, January and April. **Please ensure that you complete and sign this document, so that we can submit the claim for FEE on your behalf.** In order to complete, the claim we will need to see your child's original birth certificate or passport. Therefore, please bring one of these documents to the school when you come to sign the form.

Privacy notice
Please read the below Privacy notice, prior to completing the parental declaration form.
https://www.ashfordschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Privacy-notice.pdf

Early Years Pupil Premium
https://www.kelsi.org.uk/early-years/equality-and-inclusion/early-years-pupil-premium

Disability Access Funding
https://www.kelsi.org.uk/early-years/equality-and-inclusion/disability-access-fund-daf

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Number of days per week	FEE hours per week	Non-funded hours, termly charge	Lunches and snacks, termly charge	Total payable to Ashford School
2 days	6	£1474	£113	£1587
3 days	9	£2210	£170	£2380
4 days	12	£2946	£227	£3173
5 days	15	£3610	£283	£3893

Prep Nursery provides a hot lunch and snacks during the day and termly charges are set out in the fees table above.

If you prefer to provide your child's food and wish to opt out of the nursery meal provision, please speak directly with the nursery management team.