



A warm welcome to Funshine

Welcome to **Funshine Day Nursery** an outstanding nursery where children are nurtured, supported, and encouraged to shine from their very first years. Funshine first opened in 1998, our aim is to provide a **safe, secure, healthy, and stimulating environment** where every child can grow, learn, and reach their full potential. We have succeeded in this by always being graded the top award from Ofsted and achieving Outstanding three times in a row.

At Funshine, we believe the **first five years of a child's life are crucial** in shaping their future.



Admissions

Places are offered on a **first come, first served basis**, with priority given to siblings.

Children may attend from **1 to 5 days per week**.

Attendance days must be:

- Consecutive
 - At either the start or end of the week
(e.g. Monday–Wednesday or Wednesday–Friday)
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Settling In

We understand that starting nursery is a big step for both children and parents.

Around two weeks before your child's start date, your child settling in will begin and at this time we will discuss routines, needs, and how we can best support your child's transition. Each child has an **individual settling-in plan**, agreed together with parents.

We understand that your child starting nursery can be an anxious time for you and your child but strongly believe short, calm goodbyes work best. Staff will always provide comfort and reassurance if your child is upset, and parents are welcome to call and check in at any time



Mealtimes & Nutrition

We provide **three home-cooked meals daily**:

- Breakfast: 8:00am
- Lunch: 12:00pm
- Tea: 3:00pm

A healthy fruit snack is offered daily at 10:00am.
Fresh drinking water is available throughout the day.

We cater for **dietary, cultural, and religious requirements**, and all allergies must be shared at enrolment. Parents can view food intake via our food monitoring system.

Tapestry Learning Journals

We follow the **Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)** framework, supporting children across all seven areas of learning:

We use **Tapestry**, an online learning journal, to track and share your child's progress.

Parents can:

- View photos, observations, and videos
- Comment and upload home learning
- Receive notifications when updates are added

Access is secure and fully controlled by you.



Working in Partnership with Parents

We believe strong partnerships with parents support the best outcomes for children.

We offer:

- Open communication and daily feedback
 - Parent representatives
 - Twice-yearly parent evenings
 - Parent workshops throughout the year
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Equal Opportunities & British Values

We celebrate diversity and inclusion, welcoming children and staff of all backgrounds. Children are supported to understand:

- Mutual respect
 - Individual liberty
 - Democracy and fairness
 - Tolerance of different beliefs and cultures
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Safeguarding & Children's Safety

Your child's safety and wellbeing are our highest priority.

We work closely with parents to ensure a shared understanding of safeguarding. Our staff:

- Receive regular safeguarding and child protection training
- Hold **enhanced DBS checks** before employment
- Complete **Prevent training** to help identify and protect against risks of extremism

We have robust policies in place to protect children from harm and to support their health, development, and welfare at all times.



Fees & Funding

Fees are payable **monthly in advance by standing order**.

Fees

- Full week Mon–Fri, 8am–6pm
- Single full day: 8am – 6pm

Funded Hours

We accept funded hours for all eligible children aged 9 months and over. You can start claiming these funded hours **the term after** your child turns either 9 months, 2 years old or 3 years old.

All children aged 3 and over are entitled to at least 15 funded hours a week. 30 funded hours for children aged 9 months, 2 year olds and the extended 30 funded hours for 3 year olds will need to meet the eligibility criteria in order to receive these hours.

You can check your eligibility on the following website:

www.beststartinlife.gov.uk/eligibility-checker .

If eligible, you will be given an 11 digit code which is to be provided to the nursery when it is time for your child to go onto funding.

Please be aware that for children who attend all year round that the funded hours are only provided for 38 weeks a year. Therefore, we stretch these hours over 52 weeks so they cover the whole year and not just the funded weeks. For children who attend all year, we allow the use of funded hours as follows:

Children claiming 9months and 2 year old funding

Children attending 1 day a week can claim 10 funded hours a week with us.

Children attending 2 days a week can claim 20 funded hours a week with us.

Children attending 3, 4 or 5 days a week can claim the full 30 funded hours a week with us.

Children claiming 3 year old funding

For children on 3 year old funding, we allow the use of the funded hours on a pro rata basis depending on how many days a week your child attends. This is calculated as follows

Children attending 1 day a week can claim a maximum of 7.5 funded hours a week with us.

Children attending 2 days a week can claim a maximum of 15 funded hours a week with us.

Children attending 3 days a week can claim a maximum of 18 funded hours a week with us.

Children attending 4 days a week can claim a maximum of 24 funded hours a week with us.

Children attending 5 days a week can claim the full 30 funded hours a week with us.

Please get in touch if you would like a detailed breakdown of what your total fees would be. This varies greatly depending on your funding entitlement.




Registration & Notice


- £50 non-refundable deposit required to secure a place
- One calendar month's written notice required for cancellation



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