

# 1<sup>st</sup> Stepping Stones Nursery at Peterhouse

## 122 Forest Rise, Walthamstow, E17 3PW

### Free Early Education/Childcare Entitlement options and additional Fees & Charges

The Nursery is open 43 weeks of the year and is closed for 2 weeks at Easter, 1 week in October half term, 1 week at Christmas and three weeks in August as well as on Bank Holidays.

The Nursery is opened between 8am-6pm on Monday, 8am -4pm on Tuesday, 8am-4.30pm on Wednesday, 8am-6pm on Thursday and 8am-6pm on Friday, providing 46.5hrs of childcare per week.

We offer places to children from 1 year old until the child reaches statutory school age.

Meals and snacks are provided at no extra charge and are included in fees and funding hours.

Parents are required to provide nappies, wipes, and suncream for their child.

Additional charges will apply for special outings and activities, such as trips to the zoo, cinema, or other external venues which will be communicated with parents/carers in advance.

Parents/Carers can opt out of these special outings and activities.

Parents/carers do not have to take up additional childcare hours in order to access their full free early education and childcare hours but can request these should they want to.

Where parents/carers choose to purchase childcare hours which are in addition to/outside of their free early education and childcare hours, these will be charged for at a rate of £8.00 per hour.

### **Options for those 1 to 4 years olds entitled to 1140hrs of Free Early Education per year (equivalent to a maximum of 30hrs per week over 38 weeks) - subject to availability**

#### **Option 1:**

38 weeks provision (term time only) - 30hrs per week (total 1140 hrs per annum)

Working Parents/Carers can take up their 30hrs using either of the following options:

- 5 days per week 9am – 3pm (6hrs session per day)
- 5 days per week 8am-2pm (6hrs session per day)
- 3 days per week 8am-6pm (10hrs session per day)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9am-3pm	6hrs FREE	6hrs FREE	6hrs FREE	6hrs FREE	6hrs FREE
8am -2pm	6hrs FREE	6hrs FREE	6hrs FREE	6hrs FREE	6hrs FREE
8am -6pm	10hrs FREE			10hrs FREE	10hrs FREE

### Option 2:

43 weeks provision 26.5hrs per week (total 1140 hrs per annum)

Working parents/carers who want to just take up their free early education and childcare hours can do this, and are able to take this up as 26.5 hours per week over 3 days of their choice (at 1 full day 8am-6pm (10hrs), 1 day 8am-4pm (8hrs), and 1 day 8am-4.30pm (8.5hrs) subject to availability) alternative days will be offered where preferred days are not available (subject to availability).

Example

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8am-6pm	10hrs FREE				
8am-4pm		8hrs Free			
8am – 4.30pm			8.5hrs FREE		

*Model above is an example, other days can be arranged subject to availability*

Options for those eligible 2 years olds and 3&4 years olds entitled to 570hrs of Free Early Education per year (equivalent to a maximum of 15hrs per week over 38 weeks) - subject to availability

### Option 3:

38 week provision (term time only) 15hrs per week (total 570hrs per annum)

Parents/Carers can take up their 30hrs using either of the following options:

- 3 mornings 8am-1pm (5hrs per day)

Example

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8am -1pm	5hrs FREE	5hrs FREE	5hrs FREE		
8am -1pm			5hrs FREE	5hrs FREE	5hrs FREE

*Model above is an example, other days can be arranged subject to availability*

### Option 4:

43 weeks provision 13hrs per week (559 hrs per annum)

Parents/Carers may be entitled to an annual free early education and childcare entitlement of 13.25hrs\* per week over 43 weeks per annum, which equates to 570 hrs per year.

Parents/carers who want to just take up their free early education and childcare hours can do this, and are able to take this up as 13 hours per week over 2 days of their choice (at 6.5hrs per day between 9am and 3:30pm, subject to availability), alternative days will be offered where preferred days are not available (subject to availability).

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Entitlement to a free place does not offer a guarantee of a place at any one provider. Parents/carers are therefore able to take up the remaining balance of their free early education entitlement (0.25 hours per week) with an alternative provider opened for the same number of weeks per year, should they choose to ensure that they are able to take up their full free early education and childcare entitlement hours\* across two providers.

Where parents/carers choose to purchase childcare hours which are in addition to/outside of their free early education and childcare hours\*, these will be charged at £8.00per hour.

### **Holiday Care:**

Those taking their free early education entitlement during term time (options 1,3) can purchase holiday provision, available between 8am-6pm Monday to Friday during the dates below at a cost of:

£8 per hour for 1 to 4's and £5 per hour for over 5's.

### **Holiday Opening Times:**

- Christmas Holidays: Open on 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> December
- February Half Term: Open all week
- May Half Term: Open all week
- Summer Holidays: Open during the last two weeks of July and the last week of August