

Watlington Primary School Nursery Provision Statement for 2025/26

At Watlington Primary we are able to offer 16 full time places (32 part time places), for 3 and 4 year olds (additional places may be available – subject to staffing). Our nursery provision enables eligible parents to access the government initiative of up to 30 hours free childcare per week.

We offer two sessions each day, Monday to Friday. Our morning session will run from **9am to 12pm**, and our afternoon session will run from **12pm to 3pm**.

Our morning session will include lunch from 11.30am to 12pm. Children are able to bring in either a packed lunch, or can pre-order a hot meal at a cost of £2.53 per day.

The sessions your child attends will be agreed in advance, and any change to those sessions **must be approved a main term in advance**. Please note places in our nursery are subject to availability and only limited sessions may be available. We have two main intakes each year in September and January with transition arrangements. During the year places can fill up quickly, so to avoid disappointment we would recommend starting your child with us as soon as they are eligible.

Children are able to join our nursery class the main school term after they turn 3 years of age. For children that turn 3 years of age during the academic year they start with us, we would encourage them to attend a minimum of 3 sessions (9 hours) a week. For children that turn 4 years of age during the academic year they start with us, we recommend they attend a minimum of 5 sessions (15 hours) a week. Each session, morning or afternoon, is for 3 hours and the minimum requirement can be met in either full or part days.

Under the current Government nursery initiative, every child can access up to 15 hours per week at no cost (the free universal entitlement). Up to a further 15 hours each week can be agreed in advance (the extended entitlement), subject to availability. Extended hours can either be covered by a 30 hour eligibility code or privately at a cost of £20 per session. Any not booked in advance (ad hoc) are charged at £25.

If you would like further information or an application form please do hesitate to contact us by email at office.2459@watlington.oxon.sch.uk or by telephone 01491 612474.

We welcome all enquiries and look forward to hearing from you.