Dear Parents,

Thank you for your interest in St John’s Nursery. We will open from September 2023 for 2-4 year olds.

St John’s nursery will be open during school term time and has three intake points:

**2-3-year-olds**

Children can start the term after their 2nd birthday\*

They will start at the nursery in either September, January, or April.

***3-4-year-olds***

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| September | for 2023 intake children born between 01/09/2019 and 31/08/2020 |

*\* Depending on availability of places*

**Applications**

**We are now accepting applications for our first intake of children starting in September 2023.**

To apply, please complete the form available here: <https://forms.office.com/e/xxigsZ4MdW>

From September 2023 we will be offering the following sessions:

* Morning session: 8.30 to 11.30 am -Monday to Friday term time only (15 hours)
* Afternoon session: 1.30 to 3.30 pm - Monday to Friday term time only (15 hours)
* All Day: 8.30 am to 3.15 pm - Monday to Friday term time only (30 hours)\*

*\*A full day incurs an additional fee for the lunch hour. Parents to provide a healthy packed lunch.*

**Nursery Fees**

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|  | Morning Session (3 hours) | Afternoon Session (3 hours) | Full Day (7 hours) | Lunch Time11.30-12.30 |
| Cost Per Day | £17.00 | £17.00 | £40.00 | £6.00 |

**Government Funding**

We accept the 15 and 30-hour government funding. Please see the information sheet attached for further details and to check your eligibility.

**Starting Reception**

A year ahead of the date your child is due to start primary school you will receive a reminder to apply for a school place. Parents must apply for a primary school place via Oxfordshire County Council. Attendance at our Nursery does not guarantee a place in Reception. Your child will be able to apply for Primary School from October when the application process is opened.

Yours faithfully

Kerry Cottrell

Primary Head of School

**Government Funding Information for Parents**

**2 Year Olds**

2 year olds are eligible for 15 hours of funded childcare if you live in England and get any of the following benefits:

* Income Support
* income-based Jobseeker’s Allowance (JSA)
* income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
* Universal Credit, and your household income is £15,400 a year or less after tax, not including benefit payments
* the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
* Child Tax Credit, Working Tax Credit (or both), and your household income is £16,190 a year or less before tax
* the Working Tax Credit 4-week run on (the payment you get when you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

2-year-olds can also get free childcare if they:

* are looked after by a local authority
* have an education, health and care (EHC) plan
* get [Disability Living Allowance](https://www.gov.uk/disability-living-allowance-children)
* have left care under an adoption order, special guardianship order or a child arrangements order

For further information click the link below:

Help paying for childcare: Free education and childcare for 2-year-olds - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

**3 and 4 Year Olds**

All 3 and 4 year olds are eligible for 15 hours of funded childcare.

Many working parents of 3 and 4 year olds will be eligible for an additional 15 hours (30 hours in total) of funded childcare for 38 weeks per year which is equivalent to school term times.

The eligibility rules for 30 hours funded childcare are as follows:

* Both parents must be working – or the sole parent is working in a lone-parent family
* Each parent earns, on average, a weekly minimum equivalent to 16 hours at National Minimum Wage (NMW) or National Living Wage (NLW)
* Each parent must have an annual income of less than £100,000

Please go to the Government website to check your eligibility: [www.gov.uk/get-childcare](file:///C%3A/Users/KerryCottrell/Downloads/www.gov.uk/get-childcare)