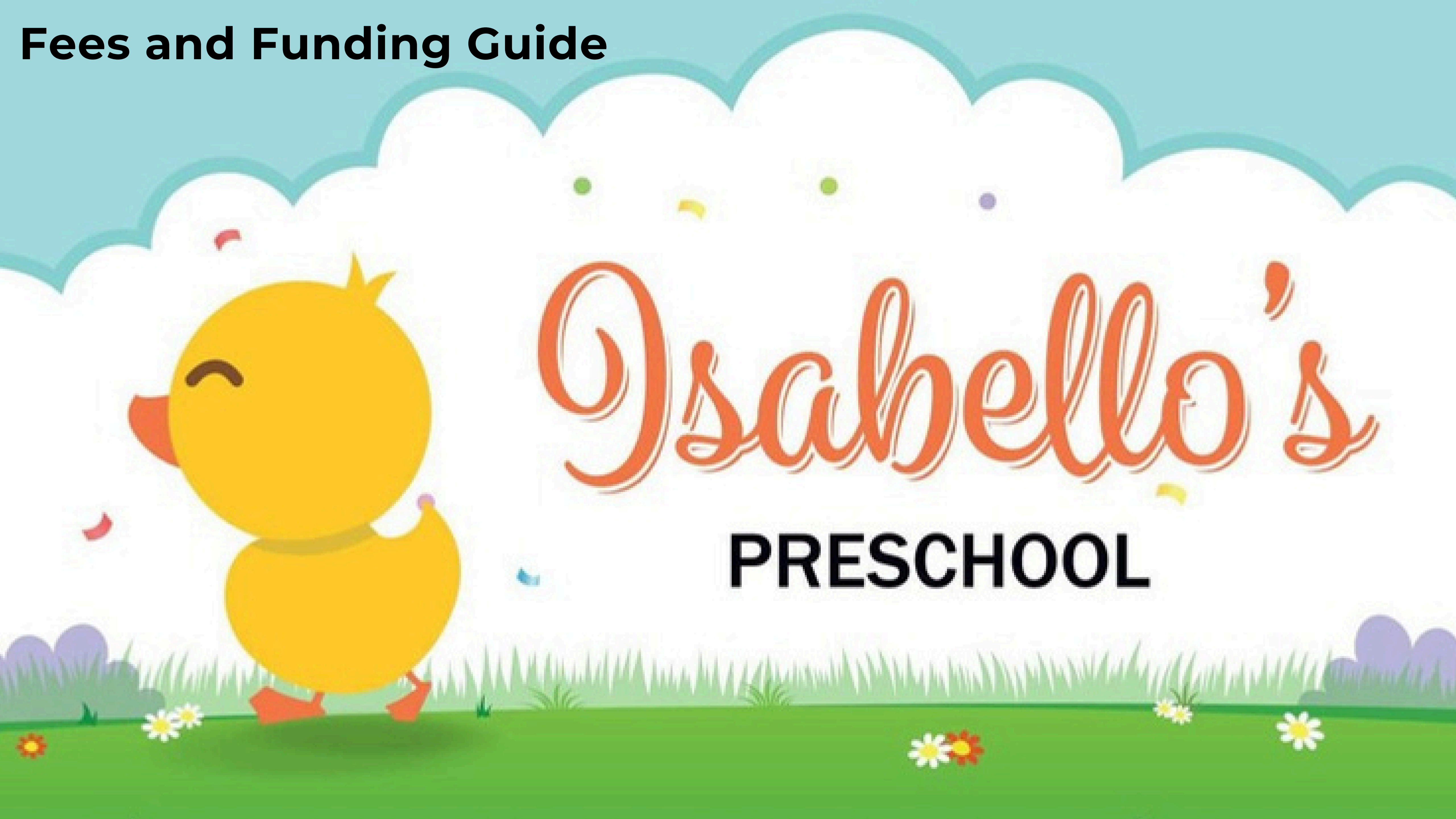


Fees and Funding Guide



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We provide **15 and 30-hour funded childcare places** for eligible families of 2-5 year olds **Term Time Only**.

We know that covering childcare costs can be challenging, so we encourage parents to make full use of the support available. The number of funded hours you receive will depend on your child's age and your family's circumstances.

A Guide To Funded Childcare

At Isabello's Preschool, children enjoy fun, engaging activities that support their learning and development.

Funded childcare helps your child to:

- Feel safe and secure through familiar routines
- Build friendships and develop social skills
- Share, take turns, and grow in confidence
- Explore new ideas through play and discovery
- Develop independence and communication skills
- Strengthen key skills for school and beyond





Universal Funding

15 hours of funded childcare is available for every family in England with 3-4 year old children.

All 3 and 4 year-olds are entitled to 15 hours of funded childcare per week during term time (38 weeks) — a total of 570 hours per year.

There's no need to apply; this funding is available to everyone and will be automatically added to your booking once a parent agreement has been completed (via Funding Loop).

Your child will be entitled the term after they turn 3:

Children Born	Eligible from the start of the term beginning or following
1 Jan - 31 Mar	1 Apr
1 Apr - 31 Aug	1 Sep
1 Sep - 31 Dec	1 Jan



15 Hours Funding

7.5 hours per day over **2 days of the week** -
8:30am to 4pm

We are flexible on the exact days (subject to availability).

A family could access less hours, subject to our admissions policy.



Government Supported Funding for 2 year olds

Some 2-year-olds may be eligible for 15 hours of funded childcare per week during term time (38 weeks a year) — a total of 570 hours per year.

Your child may qualify if:

- You receive certain benefits
- Your child has a Disability Living Allowance or Special Educational Needs (SEND)
- Your child is under a kinship or guardianship order
- Your child is being cared for by the local authority

You can find full details and check your eligibility on the [Best Start In Life](#) website.



Working Parent Funding

30 Hours a Week

Eligible working parents can receive up to 30 hours of funded childcare per week for children aged 9 months and older. This is offered during term time only (38 weeks) and adds up to 1140 hours per year.

The set booking pattern must be followed.*

How to Apply To access the 30 hours, you'll need to set up a government childcare account and apply online. If you also want to use Tax-Free Childcare, you can do this through the same service.

You'll need:

- Your National Insurance number
- A Unique Taxpayer Reference (UTR) if self-employed
- Other basic personal details

Eligibility and requirements can vary, so please check the [Best Start In Life](#) website for the most up-to-date information.

***30 Hours Funding**

7.5 hours per day over
4 days of the week -
8:30am to 4pm

We are flexible on the exact days (subject to availability).

A family could access less hours, subject to our admissions policy.



Additional Support

Disability Access Funding (DAF)

The Disability Access Funding provides extra support for children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) who receive Disability Living Allowance (DLA).

Children become eligible once they start government-funded early education.

Please note, DAF is only available if your child receives DLA — it is not automatically given to all children with SEND.

For more details, visit the [Best Start In Life](#)

Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP)

The Early Years Pupil Premium provides extra funding to support the education of disadvantaged children who are accessing funded childcare.





SEND Support

At Isabello's Preschool, every child is valued and included. We are committed to supporting children with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND) so they can learn, play, and thrive.

Before Your Child Starts

- We meet with families to discuss needs and create a personalised settling-in plan.
- Where needed, we work with health visitors or other professionals to make sure support is in place.

How We Support Children with SEND

- Our SEND Coordinator (SENCo) oversees support across the preschool.
- We adapt activities, routines, and resources to meet individual needs.
- Individual support plans are created and reviewed with parents.
- With consent, we work alongside professionals such as speech and language therapists or educational psychologists.

Working Together

- Parents are central to our approach, and we meet regularly to review progress.
- We share information with new schools or settings to ensure smooth transitions.

Accessibility

- We make reasonable adjustments to support children with physical, communication, or medical needs.

Please speak to us if you require information in an alternative format.

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Your Fees

We are a **term time only** preschool. Offering childcare to 2-5 year olds.

Our term dates can be found on our website or provided by the team.

Our opening hours are **8:30am to 4pm**.

We provide a mid morning snack - a selection of cereals and/or Toast and an afternoon snack of greek yogurt, rice cakes/crackers.

Parents are to provide a packed lunch, adhering to our policy.

Fees are due in advance, before the start of each term. We'll send you an invoice with a clear breakdown of your child's sessions and any extras, which will include any hours above your funding entitlement.



Morning Session (8:30am-12:15pm)	£25
Afternoon Session (12:15pm-4pm)	£25
Full Day Session (8:30am-4pm)	£50
Full Week	£250
Late Collection Fee	£15 per additional 15 mins
Late Payment Fee	£50
Essentials & Extras :	
Preschool T-Shirt	£9
Preschool Sweater	£12
Snacks	£2.50 per week - 15 Hrs Funding
	£5 per week - 30 Hrs Funding
	£10 per week - 15 Hrs Funding
Activities/Enrichment	£20 per week - 30 Hrs Funding

Full fee paying families (no funding) - Snacks and Activities/Enrichment are inclusive.

“Together may we give our children the roots to grow and the wings to fly”



Essentials and Extras

Government funding is intended to deliver up to 30 hours a week of free, high-quality, flexible childcare but it does not cover all the costs.

Each term, we ask for a small fee to help cover the cost of everyday snacks, extra activities and enrichment. Throughout the week, children enjoy forest school, yoga, baking and languages, and we celebrate a variety of special events across the term. Any day trips or larger celebrations (such as Graduation) will always be shared with you in advance and may have a separate cost.

We see these as a valuable part of your child's learning journey, helping us to provide the very best care and education in a fun, nurturing environment.

To make sure we can continue offering these opportunities, we charge separately for them. It's important to know that government funding **does not** cover these. These items are always optional, and if you'd prefer not to pay for them, there are alternatives available. Please speak with Emma.

For business planning purposes, opt-outs are available on a termly basis and require at least 30 days' notice before the start of the term. If you wish to opt out of any of these charges, please speak with Emma.



Fee Examples

15 Hours Funding Only (2 Days)	
Mon & Tue	7.5 Hrs Each Day
Total	15 Hrs
Snack	£2.50 per week
Activities/Enrichment	£10 per week
Total Cost	£12.50 per week

30 Hours Funding Only (4 Days)	
Mon, Tue, Wed & Thur	7.5 Hrs Each Day
Total	30 Hrs
Snack	£5 per week
Activities/Enrichment	£20 per week
Total Cost	£25 per week

15 Hours Funding (2days) + 1x Full Day	
Mon, Tue & Wed (payable)	7.5 Hrs Each Day
Total	15 Hrs + 7.5 (payable) = 22.5 Hrs
Snack	£2.50 per week
Activities/Enrichment	£10 per week
Total Cost	£62.50 per week

30 Hours Funding Only - (4 Days) + 1x Full Day	
Mon, Tue & Wed, Thur & Fri (payable)	7.5 Hrs Each Day
Total	30 Hrs + 7.5 = 37.5 Hrs
Snack	£5 per week
Activities/Enrichment	£20 per week
Total Cost	£75 per week



To access Early Years Funding, parents must complete a Parental Agreement form. This form confirms your child's funded hours and must be updated at different points during their time with us.


We use **Funding Loop**, a secure online system that makes this process quick and simple. Most details are pre-filled, so you only need to check, sign, and submit. For future terms, the system remembers your information, making it even easier next time.

⚠ Please note: **Funding Loop** does not check your 30-hour code. If you are using extended funding, you must reconfirm your code with HMRC every 3 months to keep your place funded.

It's important to complete and return your agreement promptly — we can't claim funding from the local authority without it

We are proud members of the **Early Years Alliance**, the largest and most representative early years membership organisation in England. The Alliance supports preschools, nurseries, and childminders by:

Championing high-quality, affordable early years education and care. Providing training, resources, and advice to help settings deliver the best for children. Working closely with government and local authorities to represent the needs of families and early years providers. Promoting the vital role of play, learning, and early education in giving children the best possible start in life. Being part of the Alliance means we stay up to date with best practice, guidance, and support — ensuring your child benefits from a safe, nurturing, and high-quality learning environment.



Frequently Asked Questions



I've missed the deadline for my 30-hour code. Can my child still get funded?

If you miss the deadline (31st March, 31st August, or 31st December), your 30-hour funding will only start from the following term. HMRC usually sends reminders, and we'll also do our best to notify you — but it is the parent's responsibility to make sure your code is valid and up to date before each term begins.

What if I need to change my child's booking pattern?

Changing your child's sessions may affect how many funded hours you can claim, due to government rules. Please speak with us before making any changes so we can explain how this might impact your funding.

Can I use my funding at more than one setting?

Yes — you can split your funded hours between up to two providers in a single day. Just let each provider know so the correct amount of funding can be claimed.

If I pay for extra hours but don't use them, can I get a refund?

Unfortunately, we can't offer refunds for unused hours, as fees are needed to cover our staffing and running costs to ensure high-quality care for all children.

Do you offer completely free places?

Yes — though we prefer to say 'funded' hours rather than 'free'. At our preschool, families can use their funded hours with no extra charges. Many parents do choose to use our optional extras, which help provide a consistent, high-quality experience and make life a little easier for busy families.

Do you provide hot meals?

No — children attending will need to bring a packed lunch from home, adhering to our **Packed Lunch Policy**. To keep all children safe, including those with allergies, we are a nut-free preschool. Please make sure all packed lunch items are nut-free. We are happy to cater for all dietary requirements — please speak with our team so we can support your child's needs.

We also provide a healthy morning and afternoon snack, milk and water are always available.



If you have any questions, please get in contact, we are here to help.



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