

Frequently asked questions



What do we mean by fulltime?

All 3 year old children are entitled to 15 hours free nursery education from the term after their 3rd birthday

As you may require more than the Free 15 hours for your child provided by Millfields we are able to offer extended care between the following hours Monday to Friday:

Option 1		Option 2		Option 3	
7.30-9am	Breakfast Club £1.50 (Optional, pay as you go)	8am-12.30pm	Fee Paying nursery care	8am-6pm	Fee paying Nursery care including Free 15 hours Nursery Education Grant (NEG)
9am-12pm	Free Nursery Education	12.30-3.30pm	Free Nursery Education		
12pm-6pm	Fee paying Nursery care	3.30-6.00pm	Early Years Club £10.00 (conc £5) (Optional, pay as you go)		

Please refer to the funding chart on page 5 of this application pack for details on fee paying nursery care. Please be aware that the free 15 hour Nursery Education Grant is for term time only. If you require child care during holiday times we run a fee paying holiday club, details available from the Children's centre office. If you choose Full time option 3 your child will receive care during the half term holidays as part of your paid provision.

How do I get the place of my choice?

On your application you may request a morning, afternoon or full time space. If there are more requests for one option than places available then to ensure fairness a lottery system is applied.

If I choose option 1 or 2 what happens to my child when moving from free to fee paying provision during the day?

Staff take children to and from provision. For example when free nursery education finishes at 3.30 in option 2 children are taken to Early years club where they have a snack and then play.

Why are home visits important?

Your child needs to be at home for the home visit as this is a great opportunity for you and your child to begin to develop your relationship with your Key worker in a familiar environment. By having time to talk on a one-to-one basis we can find out more about your child and their interests at home – whether your child has favourite book, likes particular characters, goes out on visits, cooks regularly. Children always remember and talk about a home visit long after the event; it is a special occasion in their lives and enhances the Key Worker–child relationship. Digital photographs can be taken of the visit (with permission) and used, with the child, to recall the event.

How will I know my child's position on the waiting list?

Children are offered places in our Nursery based on the criteria listed on page 2 of this document. **We don't hold a numbered waiting list** as such. Instead your application is organised according to the listed criteria. If there are more applications than places then we use the distance from the school to determine which child will be given a place. All applications submitted by the deadline will be considered in this way.

What happens if my application is late?

Late applications will be considered only after on time applications have been offered and accepted or declined. All late applications will be considered using the same criteria as on time applications.

If my child has a nursery place at Millfields will they automatically get a reception place?

No. No consideration is given to the nursery attended by a child when deciding on reception places. Reception admissions are controlled by Hackney Learning Trust and the school has no influence over which children are given a reception place at our school. The deadline for Reception applications is the **15th January 2018**. Applications open from approximately 1st October 2017 (Dates are confirmed in September by Hackney Learning Trust).