

St Marychurch Pre-school

Consumable charge Policy

This policy outlines what we offer a child when their parent opts out or opts in of paying the additional consumable charge fee charged to parents/carers who are claiming their child's Early Years Entitlement funding. Parents will enter a contract when choosing to either opt in or opt out, they will also need to give the relevant required notice period before entering a new contract. St. Marychurch Pre-School require a four-week written notice period to cancel the contract. All payments must be made inline with our fees policy.

What is offered for an Opt in to pay the consumable charge fee.

- All requirements of the EYFS statutory framework will be met each session.
- All learning and development requirements under the EYFS are met.
- Verbal updates on the child's day and learning and development are given regularly.
- Access to Tapestry is given to parents, they would be given regular feedback on care, activities, learning and development, well as key information on how to support children's learning and development.
- A written report is given every term and a chance to meet with your child's key person face to face to discuss if needed. (appointment only)
- Stay and Play sessions to come and join your child and explore the setting
- Cooking activities
- Food provided for snack time - all dietary requirements met.
- Celebrations and Craft mornings such as Easter, Christmas, School Leaver's graduation - gifts, parties, venue hire and resources provided.
- An opportunity to try new foods and activities beyond the EYFS statutory framework to celebrate and take part in cultural capital such as Luna new year, Holi, Ramadan, Diwali and more.

What is offered for an Opt out where no fee is paid:

All requirements of the EYFS statutory framework will be met each session.

All learning and development requirements under the EYFS are met.

Verbal updates on the child's day and learning and development are given regularly.

A report is given for a two year check and transition report to school only.

What is not offered on a opt out place:

- Food - all food including snacks must be brought into the Pre-School daily and only if they are to be consumed that day. All food items must meet St Marychurch Pre-Schools standards and risk assessments, including - no allergens, no sugar, no egg and be nutritious. Please see Guidance on our acceptable snack items.
- Trips - When a local trip is planned, the child will need to remain in setting, if there is sufficient space and adult to child ratio is capable of being met. If this is not possible, the parent will be asked to not bring their child in for that session and an alternative session will be offered to make up for the loss of funded hours
- Online learning journal Tapestry - parents will not receive access to Tapestry and will only get verbal handovers each day about their child's learning, development and daily activities.
- Please note, children will be offered an alternative activity that meets the basic requirements of EYFS statutory framework when an opt-in activity is taking place. If this is not possible, the child will not be able to attend the session, and an alternative session will be offered to make up for the funded hours missed.
- Nappy disposal, Nappy sacks.
- Spare clothing such as Waterproof outdoor clothing/wellies

Children in receipt of Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP)

Children in receipt of EYPP or DAF can have an opt in place with no extra charges.

Further guidance

Early Years Entitlements: Operational guidance for local authorities and providers (DfE 2025)

Signed _____ Position Chairperson Dated _____

We aim to provide a safe, stimulating, caring, happy Pre-school where all children and their families are welcome. We provide a curriculum based on the Early Years Foundation Stage using individual children's interest and needs.