

## Free Early Education Entitlement

The Government provides funded education for all 3 and 4 year olds. All children age 3 and 4 are entitled for up to 15 hours a week for 38 weeks per academic year, however some may be eligible for 30 hours—please check eligibility and criteria with our preschool office.

The dates to determine eligibility are as follows:-

Children born between

1 April to 31 August is eligible for a free place from the start of Term 1 in September following 3rd birthday

1 Sept to 31 Dec is eligible for a free place from the start of Term 3 in January following 3rd birthday

1 Jan to 31 Mar is eligible for a free place from the start of Term 5 in April following 3rd birthday

N.B. The first 5 sessions of a child's allocation will be covered by their 15 Free Early Education Funding (Universal Hours)

## About Us:-

- Qualified and Experienced Staff
- Pre-School with free flow garden
- Registered for Free Early Education for 2,3 and 4 year olds
- Ofsted Registered
- We accept children from 2½ to 4 years
- Open for Half Day or Full Day
- Open 5 days a week—Term Time Only

## Opening Times / Patterns of Delivery:- (Term Time Only)

Monday to Friday            08.45 to 11.45  
   11.45 to 14.45

All Day (Mon to Fri)        08.45 to 14.45

Price per session = £20.00 per session from Sept 2024 (This price is reviewed annually)

There is a £50 deposit requested on offer of places for 15 hour funded children or £100 for children attending over 18 hours

To check your entitlements to funding, please go on the Government Website  
[www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk)



## The Little Ark Pre-School



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The Little Ark Preschool opened in September 2009 and is situated on the premises of the John Wesley CEM Primary School and we work closely with the school.

We are a registered charity and company and we are funded independently and run by a committee made up of preschool and school staff.

The Little Ark is an equal opportunities preschool and work closely with outside agencies to ensure that our provision meets any special educational needs, with experienced staff (90% of staff are qualified to NVQ Level 3 or above and all have an up to date Paediatric First Aid qualification).

## **Our Aim:-**

**To create a happy, caring and inclusive environment in which children can explore and develop and to nurture their self-esteem and work alongside parents to prepare them for their transition to school.**



## **Admissions**

### **Session Allocation**

- Priority will be given to children already attending the setting
- Then to any siblings of these children
- Children eligible for Free for 2 funding
- To new children taking in to account date placed on waiting list

PLEASE NOTE that although the preschool is on The John Wesley CEM Primary School site, we do not feed into the school, the school admission policy clearly defines their own admission criteria