



# Nursery, Breakfast Club and After School Club Charging and Remissions Policy 2023/24

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<b>Related documents</b>	
West Berkshire Council Nursery Admissions Policy for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools	
John Rankin Schools Nursery Admissions Supplementary Information	
John Rankin Schools Charging and Remissions Policy	
John Rankin Schools Financial Management Policy and Procedures	

**This policy is effective from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023.**

John Rankin Schools Nursery, Breakfast Club and After School Club operates during West Berkshire Council School term dates. These can be found on the John Rankin Schools website and the West Berkshire Council website.

The payment terms and conditions for any Parent/Carer accepting sessions for their child at John Rankin Schools Nursery and/or Breakfast Club and/or After School Club are included in this policy.

Allocation of a place is conditional on the receipt of a signed declaration (Appendix A) agreeing to the terms and conditions of this policy. The declaration form can be found [here](#) to complete digitally.

Details of the various charges are given below. All payments are processed in line with the schools' Financial Management Policy and Procedures.

For Nursery sessions, please read this document in conjunction with West Berkshire Council Nursery Admissions Policy for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools and John Rankin Schools Nursery Admission Supplementary Information document.

### **Government Funded Nursery Sessions for Government Funded Nursery Sessions for Three and Four Year Olds (Universal and Extended)**

There are no charges for these sessions.

Funded places are allocated on a term by term basis (autumn, spring and summer). Once a place has been accepted, it is anticipated that the child will attend for the full duration of the term. A minimum of six weeks' notice is required to cancel a funded place, and the cancellation will be effective from the start of the following term.

### **Chargeable Nursery Sessions for Three and Four Year Olds**

Charges are approved by the Governing Board. The current charges are:

<b>Session</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Payable</b>
Morning Session (8.50-11.50)	£21.05	Half termly, in advance of the first day of the half term
Afternoon Session (12.05-15.05)	£21.05	
All day – 2 Sessions (8.50 – 15.05)	£42.10	
Lunch Session (11:50 – 12:05)	£1.75	
Settling in session (1 hour)	£7.00	
Settling in session (1.5 hours)	£10.55	
Settling in session (2 hours)	£14.05	

Once the offered sessions have been accepted, there are no refunds for non-attendance.

Once the offered sessions have been accepted, a minimum of six weeks' notice is required to make a change. Failure to do so, would result in a £20 administration fee.

### **Nursery Voluntary Snack/Fruit Contributions**

Healthy snacks are provided for the children during each session, and parents/carers are asked to make a voluntary contribution of 25p per session to fund the purchase of these snacks. These payments are voluntary, but if an insufficient number of families contribute, the provision of snacks may be discontinued.

## Chargeable Breakfast Club Sessions for Three to Eleven Year Olds

Charges are approved by the Governing Board. The current charges are:

Session	Cost	Payable
Breakfast Club (8am until the start of school or nursery)	£5.95	Half termly, in advance of the first day of the half term

Breakfast Club does not offer any funded sessions; all sessions are chargeable.

Once the offered sessions have been accepted, there are no refunds for non-attendance.

Once the offered sessions have been accepted, a minimum of six weeks' notice is required to make a change. Failure to do so, would result in a £20 administration fee.

## Chargeable After School Club Sessions for Four to Eleven Year Olds

Charges are approved by the Governing Board. The current charges are:

Session	Cost	Payable
After School Club (until 4.30pm)	£6.85	Half termly, in advance of the first day of the half term
After School Club (until 6pm)	£13.65	Half termly, in advance of the first day of the half term

After School Club does not offer any funded sessions; all sessions are chargeable.

Once the offered sessions have been accepted, there are no refunds for non-attendance.

Once the offered sessions have been accepted, a minimum of six weeks' notice is required to make a change. Failure to do so, would result in a £20 administration fee.

## Payment Collection for Chargeable Sessions and Voluntary Snack/Fruit Contributions

A statement will be sent on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month for the following months charges. Where the 15<sup>th</sup> falls on a weekend or bank holiday, statements will be sent on the last working day before the 15<sup>th</sup>.

Balances need to be settled on or before the first day of the month through the Scopay App.

If payment is not received by the settlement date, your child's place will be suspended with immediate effect and the place maybe given to a child on a waiting list. A **late payment fee of 10%** of any outstanding amount will be issued on the day that the next month's statement is raised.

The suspension of chargeable sessions would not impact any funded sessions that the child attends.

Once the debt has been cleared, the Executive Headteacher will consider reinstating the chargeable sessions, and communicate the outcome of this decision to the Parent/Carer in writing.

In the event of continued non-payment, the school have the right to refer the case to West Berkshire Council Legal Services.

## **Late Collection Charges**

Whilst John Rankin Schools supports working families and understands the difficulties of balancing work and family commitments, it reserves the right to charge additional fees for children who are collected late. The current charge is £7 for every part or full 10 minute period that the child isn't collected. This charge is payable in arrears, and will be added to the next invoice.

## **Nappies and Wipes**

Parents/carers are expected to provide nappies and wipes for their children. John Rankin Schools reserves the right to charge additional fees for children who do not have these. The current charges are 20p per day for wipes and 50p per nappy. These charges are payable in arrears, and will be added to the next invoice.

## **Charges and Voluntary Contributions for School Activities**

Please refer to the John Rankin Schools Charging and Remissions Policy.

## **Remissions**

The Executive Headteacher may wish to remit, in full or part, any charge made to Parents/Carers. In line with the schools' charging and remissions policy, this will be at the discretion of the governing board.

**APPENDIX A:**

**TO BE COMPLETED DIGITALLY VIA LINK ON JRS WEBSITE**



# **Nursery, Breakfast Club and After School Club Charging and Remissions Policy**

## **Declaration Form**

Child's Name	
Child's Date of Birth	

I confirm that I have read and understood the John Rankin Schools Nursery, Breakfast Club and After School Clubs Charging and Remissions Policy, and that I agree to, and am bound by, the terms and conditions in this policy.

Parent/Carer's Name	
Parent/Carer's Signature	
Date	