



## Childcare Offer & Charges v4

Section 1 – The Setting	
<b>Ofsted Registration No.</b>	309630
<b>Setting Name</b>	Good As Gold Childcare Centre
<b>Address</b>	Gaghills House Gaghills Road Waterfoot Rossendale Lancashire
<b>Postcode</b>	BB4 9BB
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<b>Manager &amp; Early Years Teacher</b>	Kimberley Hartley
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Section 2 – Description Of Services Offered	
<b>Opening days &amp; times</b>	<i>Monday to Friday 07:30 to 17:30</i>
<b>Weeks open in year</b>	<i>All year excluding: -Statutory Bank Holidays -Christmas Week being December 25<sup>th</sup> to January 1<sup>st</sup></i>
<b>Term time only places</b>	<i>Term time only places are an option for Early Years Funded sessions (subject to availability)</i>
<b>Available sessions</b>	<i>Mornings: 07:30 to 12:30 (5-hour session) Afternoons: 12:30 to 17:30 (5-hour session) Full Day 07:30 to 17:30 (10-hour session)</i>
<b>Age ranges</b>	<i>Birth to preschool (0-4 years old)</i>
<b>Notes:</b>	



Section 3 - Early Years Foundation (EYFS) Education Funding Offer & Delivery Patterns					
Options	Session times	Total funded hours per day	Days of the week available	*Term time only availability	Stretched Hours
-Morning	07:30-12:30	5 hours	Monday to Friday	Yes	Yes
-Afternoon	12:30-17:30	5 hours	Monday to Friday	Yes	Yes
-Full Day	07:30-17:30	10 hours	Monday to Friday	Yes	Yes
<b>Definitions</b>	<p><b><u>'Funding Year'</u></b> The funding year runs from September 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup> or the date that your funded hours have been fully used up (whichever date is earliest). The 'Funding Year' is split into 3 terms as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Term 1 'Autumn Term' – September 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup></li> <li>Term 2 'Spring Term' – January 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup></li> <li>Term 3 'Summer Term' – April 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup> (or the date that the whole of the annual funded hours have been used up, whichever date is the earliest). After this date any session, not retained as a 'payable session', will be released to people on our waiting list.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>'Term Time Only Availability'</u></b> The EYFS funded hours you have available to you, will run consecutively from the beginning of each term until the hours are used up. After the funded hours are consumed, then under the <i>Term Time Only Availability</i> option, you can stop attending, and the session will be retained for you (without charge) for the following term or until the 'Funding Year' ends (as defined above).</p> <p>*Please note Term Time Only Availability is only available on EYFS funded sessions and not for payable sessions as outlined in Section 4</p> <p><b><u>'Stretched Hours'</u></b> Without implementing 'stretched hours', the number of EYFS (funded) weeks is approximately as follows:            Term 1 – Autumn Term = 14 weeks            Term 2 – Spring Term = 11 weeks            Term 3 – Summer = 13 weeks  <i>Stretching</i> is a mechanism to spread the total annual <i>funded hours</i> over more weeks of the year, rather than just the standard 38 weeks of term time. This results in fewer sessions per week but provides more consistent, year-round funded childcare support. The total annual funded hours remain the same, whether taken term time or stretched. The stretching option provides flexibility for parents who need year-round care.</p>				
<b>Notes:</b>	<p>To access your EYFS funding entitlement with Good As Gold, you will be required to sign a 'Parental Agreement' that complies with EYFS guidelines. This will be drafted for you and must be signed <b>before</b> your child can start with us.</p> <p>Subject to eligibility and availability:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>we offer up to 25 hours of EYFS (funded) care per week</li> <li>sessions can be taken any days of the week choosing either full day (10-hour) sessions or morning or afternoon (5-hour) sessions.</li> <li>If you have eligibility of 30 hours, you can use the full 30 hours by 'stretching' the hours as defined above.</li> <li>There is no obligation to commit to any 'payable sessions' to secure your EYFS funded entitlement.</li> </ul> <p><b>Please note, we make no distinction in the care provided to children attending Early Years Foundation Stage funded sessions compared to children who are on payable sessions.</b></p>				



### Section 4 - Charges for Additional Sessions not covered by EYFS Funding

Where families opt for additional sessions above their daily Early Years Foundation (EYFS) Funded entitlements, charges will be applied as follows:

Chargeable Times	Under 2's	2 Year Olds	3 & 4 Year Olds
07:30 to 12:30	£39.90	£31.95	£31.95
12:30 to 17:30	£39.90	£31.95	£31.95
<b>Notes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Fees current at November 1<sup>st</sup> 2025</li> <li>b. You will not be charged for when we are closed for Statutory Bank Holidays and the Christmas Week.</li> <li>c. Any change in fee resulting from age increasing to 2 years old, will be applied from the first day of attending after or on reaching that age.</li> <li>d. Non-funded sessions are booked (subject to availability) on the understanding that they are on an on-going recurring basis for the day and session(s) they choose.</li> <li>e. Subject to availability, existing sessions can be changed by giving a minimum of 2-weeks notice.</li> <li>f. Non-funded sessions can be cancelled by giving a minimum of 4-weeks of notice.</li> <li>g. Parents who cancel <b>payable</b> sessions before the end of the term, must realise, that session will be immediately available to another parent or someone on the waiting list and therefore might not be available for them if it is required by them for following term.</li> <li>h. Due to staffing requirements, late collections must be avoided. Where they occur, they will be charged at £15 per 15 minutes or part thereof.</li> </ul>		



Section 5 – Charges for Meals & Snacks		
Description	Unit	Unit Price
<b>Meal Charge</b>	<i>1 per day (when attending all day or when attending half day and prebooked)</i>	£3.20
<b>Bespoke Meals</b> <i>(this includes meal variations requested by parents and not supported by medical evidence in line with government guidance issued to Early Years Providers)</i>	<i>Per meal</i>	From £10 (depending on requirements)
<b>Snack Charges</b> <i>(For morning sessions, this includes breakfast and mid-morning snack. For afternoon sessions, this includes a mid-morning and tea-time snack)</i>	<i>1 per half day session (payable in advance for the whole term)</i>	50p
<b>Notes</b>	<i>Fees current at November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.</i>	

Section 6 - Charges for Non-Food Consumables		
Description	Unit	Unit Price
<b>Nappy Charge (where required)</b> <i>(this includes nappies, wipes, nappy sacks and Sudocrem)</i>	<i>Per term</i> <i>1 per term (payable in advance at the start of each term)</i>	£5 for up to 15-hours per week  £10 for over 15-hours per week
<b>Notes</b>	<i>Fees current at November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025</i>	

Section 7 - Charges for Extras and Activities		
Description	Unit	Unit Price
Parents may be asked for a voluntary contribution in advance of any trips, cost dependent on the trip	<i>Optional</i>	<i>Variable and optional</i>
<b>Notes</b>	<i>No compulsory activities. Any activities requiring payment will be advised and will be optional.</i>	



## Section 8 – Opt-Out Policy & Reasonable Alternatives

Parents are welcome to opt-out of any activities that require additional payment by simply telling us.

Parents whose child requires nappies, can opt-out of the termly 'nappy charge' by providing their own appropriate alternatives. Due to storage restrictions, we cannot store more than one week's supply for each child.

Parents whose child attends a fully funded day (10-hours session) and who wish to opt out of meal charges will need to take responsibility for their child's mid-day nutritional meal by undertaking to one of the following:

1. *Sending a packed lunch that complies with the same EYFS guidance that we as a nursery follow. It would need to be:*
  - a. *Packaged into 1 small container and fully sealed*
  - b. *Be safe to store at room temperature for up to 5 hours*
  - c. *Properly clearly labelled with the child's name and date of birth, the contents with a full list of allergens contained within those contents,*
2. *The parent could attend to collect and temporarily remove the child from nursery while they feed them in line with the EYFS guidelines.*

## Section 9 - Other Charges

Description	Unit	Unit Price
<b>Booking Fee</b> (Applies to non-funded sessions. This is a fee and is not refundable)	Per child	From £60 (May be increased for bookings more than a month in advance)
<b>Deposit on funded session booking.</b> (Applies to Early Years funded sessions only. The fee will be set against any meals or other fees accruing. Any remaining balance of the deposit will be refunded on leaving)	Per child	£60
<b>Optional Change to the 'Parental Agreement'</b> (Parental agreements are applied to the whole of the <i>Funding Year</i> . Subject to availability, a parent may opt for a change in the parental agreement, necessitating a new one is drafted and issued)	Per change	£10
<b>Late Collection Charge</b> (Due to staffing requirements, late collections must be avoided. Where they occur, they will be charged)	Per 15 mins (or part thereof)	£15
<b>Notes</b>		



## Section 10 – Tax Free Childcare

*Good As Gold Childcare accepts payment via 'Tax Free Childcare' schemes and these schemes can pay for all or part of your childcare through BACS transfer direct from the scheme. Good As Gold does not administer the schemes and only receives payment from them. Details of how to set up a Tax-Free Childcare account is covered in the Government's 'Childcare Choices' site and can be accessed in this link:*

<https://www.beststartinlife.gov.uk/>

*Our understanding is that 'Universal Credit Childcare' is paid direct to the parent and so the parent must pay these into our account by Bank Transfer.*

Our invoices are issued monthly and are fully itemised showing the cost of each session attended and other items such meal charges, consumables and nappy charges. Where a session is funded by the EYFS then this will be charged at £0 and the number of funded hours used will be indicated. For the purposes of clarity, the number of funded hours consumed for the month, will be shown on each invoice.

**\*\*\* PLEASE NOTE, WE DO NOT ACCEPT PAYMENT BY CREDIT OR DEBIT CARD \*\*\*.**