

### Consumables and Fees Policy

### 1. Purpose of the Policy

This policy explains the nursery's approach to consumables and related charges. It is designed to provide clarity, transparency, and consistency for parents and carers, while ensuring compliance with Early Years funding requirements.

#### 2. What Are Consumables?

Consumables are items that are used regularly as part of a child's day and cannot reasonably be reused. At this nursery, consumables may include:

- Snacks and meals (where provided)
- Drinks and refreshments
- Laundry
- Personal Care Wipes

This list is not exhaustive and reflects items that support the day-to-day running of the nursery.

## 3. Consumables Charges

The nursery may request a charge to cover the cost of food and refreshments provided.

- Any consumables charge is separate from childcare fees.
- Consumables charges do not form part of a child's funded early education entitlement.
- The charge contributes to the cost of providing meals, snacks, and refreshments and maintaining consistent provision for all children attending the nursery.

Current consumables prices are as follows:

Breakfast: £1.00

Morning snack: £0.75

Dinner: £3.10

• Afternoon snack: £0.75

Tea: £2.00

### 4. Agreement and Payment

- Details of any consumables charge are shared clearly with parents and carers in advance.
- Where parents agree to pay a consumables charge, this agreement is confirmed in writing, for example at registration or through a signed contract.
- Consumables charges are payable in line with the nursery's fees and payment terms.

#### 5. Non-Payment of Fees

Failure to pay agreed fees, including consumables charges, will be managed in line with the nursery's Fees and Payment Policy. This may include reminders, payment plans, or further action where necessary.

# 6. Review of Policy

This policy is reviewed regularly to ensure it remains clear, fair, and compliant with current guidance. Parents and carers will be given reasonable notice of any significant changes.

Acceptance of a nursery place and agreement to the nursery's terms confirms that parents and carers have read, understood, and agree to this Consumables and Fees Policy.