

Pricing Policy

Welcome to Nicky Eldridge Child-minding nurturing care for children in a safe, home environment. My pricing is designed to reflect the care, attention, and development opportunities each child receives. Below is a detailed breakdown of my pricing policy."

Key Information briefly

 **Item**

 **Details**

 **Hourly Rate**

£5.50 per hour, per child

 **Deposit**

£100 (deducted from first invoice; non-refundable if booking cancelled)

 **Meals**

£2.00 per day if required, or packed lunch from home

 **Snacks**

Included daily



Holidays


Childminder holidays set annually; half fees payable during childminder or parent holidays


 **Outings**

Included unless there is a significant cost (discussed with parents first)

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 **Opening Times** 07:30 – 18:00, Monday to Friday

 **Notice Period** 4 weeks' written notice required by either party

 **Payment** Fees paid **monthly in advance**

Fees

- Fees cover the agreed start to finish time.
- Payment is due **monthly in advance** (cash, bank transfer, or Tax-Free Childcare).

Deposit

- £100 deposit secures the place if the start date isn't confirmed within the enquiry month.
- Deducted from the first invoice.
- Non-refundable if booking is cancelled before the start date.

Holidays

- Childminder holiday dates are set annually and rarely change. **Half fees** are charged during childminder or parent holidays to hold the place.

- Full fees apply if a child attends on any booked day during holidays.
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Meals, Snacks & Outings & Consumables

- **Snacks included** daily.
- Meals available for £2.00 per day, or parents may provide a packed lunch.
- Outings included unless there is a **significant cost**, which will be discussed with parents first.
- Parents to bring in own nappies, wipes, suncream and other specific consumables

Absences

- Fees remain payable for illness or holidays.
- No refunds for non-attendance.

Government Funding (15/30 Hours)

- Eligible children can use **Government Childcare Choices** or **30 Hours funding**.
- Parents must provide a **valid eligibility code** and reconfirm every 3 months.

- Extra charges may apply for meals, outings (if significant cost), or consumables.
- If funding is invalid or expires, full fees are payable until eligibility is reinstated.



Notice Period

- **4 weeks' written notice** required by either party.
- Fees remain payable during the notice period, whether your child attends or not.