



## **Brambly House Funded Entitlement FAQs**

### **1. What does the government funding cover?**

Government funding covers the cost of early education during the agreed funded hours only. It does not include meals, snacks, consumables (such as nappies, wipes, sun cream), or enrichment activities.

### **2. What are your funded hours?**

Our funded hours are available between **8:00 am and 2:00 pm, Monday to Friday, term time only (38 weeks per year)**.

### **3. Can I choose different funded hours?**

No, funded hours are offered in a fixed pattern (8:00 am–2:00 pm) to ensure consistency and quality of care.

### **4. Do you offer funded-only places?**

Yes, we offer a limited number of funded-only places each term. These are allocated on a first-come-first-served basis and subject to availability.

### **5. Why do you charge for meals and consumables?**

Government funding does not cover meals, snacks, or essential consumables. These charges ensure all children receive consistent care, nutrition, and safety standards.

### **6. Can I provide a packed lunch instead of paying for meals?**

No, due to safeguarding and our Montessori approach, we cannot accommodate packed lunches or alternative arrangements. This ensures consistency and safety for all children.

### **7. What if I need care outside funded hours or term time?**

Families may choose to extend their child's day or attend outside term time for an additional charge. Our full fee structure is published on our website.

### **8. How will charges appear on my invoice?**

Invoices clearly separate:

- Funded entitlement hours (shown as £0)
- Additional hours
- Meals and snacks
- Consumables
- Optional activities