

#### Welcome to Butterflies Montessori School

Thank you for your interest in Butterflies Montessori School (BMS). Please feel free to contact our team using the details below—we'd be delighted to help.

#### **About Us**

**Butterflies Montessori School (BMS)** is a private nursery for children aged **2 to 5 years**. Our mission is to deliver outstanding Montessori education within a happy, secure, and nurturing environment. The Montessori philosophy values the unique potential of every child, offering a personalised learning experience that fosters independence, confidence, and a lifelong love of learning.

## **Session Times & Fees**

		Unfunded	3-4 year old funding rate (FEEE3-4)	2 year old working parent funding rate (FEEE2W)
Early morning club:	8.30am to 9.15am	£7.54	£3.38	£1.57
Morning session:	9.15am to 12.15pm	£30.15	£13.53	£6.27
Afternoon session:	1pm to 3.45pm	£27.64	£12.40	£5.75
All day session:	9.15am to 3.45pm	£65.33	£29.32	£13.59

Montessori charge per hour: unfunded £10.05, FEEE3-4 funded £4.51 p/hr, FEEE2W funded £2.09 p/hr. \* Prices are subject to annual review.

We are open **term-time only** and children may attend full days, mornings, and/or afternoons. After a settling-in period, children must attend a minimum of **two sessions per week** to fully benefit from the Montessori environment.

## Registration

To register your child, please complete our registration form and return it with a £30 non-refundable registration fee. This includes a Butterflies polo top, provided when your child starts. Our admissions policy works alongside our Equality Policy to ensure fairness and inclusivity. Children can start at BMS once they are 2 years old and may stay with us until they begin primary school.

#### Deposit

We will contact you **two terms before** your child is due to start. If you wish to accept the offer of a place, a **£150 deposit** is required. This amount will be deducted from your first invoice at the end of your child's first term. If your child does not start at BMS, the deposit is **non-refundable**.

## **Fee Payment**

Term fees are payable **in advance**. If you prefer to pay monthly, the first payment must be received **by the start of term**, with subsequent payments due by the **1st of each month via standing order**. Late payments will incur a **£20 late fee**.

## Government Funding (full details and to apply visit: <a href="www.beststartinlife.gov.uk">www.beststartinlife.gov.uk</a>)

BMS participates in the government funding scheme (term time only). Eligible children may receive up to 15 or 30 funded hours per week for 38 weeks per year under the EYFS framework. The Montessori charge includes specialist Montessori education and snacks and non-consumables. If you choose to have your child learn the EYFS/government funding only there will be a reduced additional charge for snacks and non-consumables, or parents may supply these items themselves. Parents will not have access to My Montessori Child and afternoon sessions will be offered, subject to availability. If you are in receipt of two-year funding on economic grounds, fees will not apply (up to 15 hours) including the registration fee. Please contact us for further details.

# When your child qualifies for Government funding

If your child is born between:	They are eligible for funding from:
1 April and 31 August	1 September following their 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> birthday until statutory school age
1 September and 31 December	1 January following their 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> birthday until statutory school age
1 January and 31 March	1 April following their 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> birthday until statutory school age

### Staff/Child Ratio

Children aged 2-3 years - Staff to children ratio 1:4 Children aged 3-5 years - Staff to children ratio 1:8.

## **Notice for Withdrawal or Session Changes**

We require one full term's written notice for withdrawing your child from BMS or changing your child's session schedule. In the absence of notice, a full term's fees will be charged. Please note, fees are applicable even if holidays are taken during term time.

We look forward to welcoming your family to Butterflies Montessori School. If you have any questions or would like to arrange a visit, please don't hesitate to get in touch.