



ROBERT MELLORS PRIMARY ACADEMY

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Dear Parents/Carers

The Government has recently issued new guidance in the way nurseries should provide 30 hours free childcare.

- Settings offering 30 free hours provision must offer this in a continuous block of provision. There must not be any mandatory charges for parents in relation to their free hours provision.

How we currently provide 30 hours provision per week:

- 8.45am – 11.45am (3 hours per day)
- 12.15pm – 3.15pm (3 hours per day)
- 11.45am-12.15pm – chargeable lunch club to bridge the morning and afternoon provision.

What this change means for you:

- From 22nd April our nursery hours are changing for those children accessing their full weekly provision of 30 hours.

Our new hours will be 9.15am-3.15pm each day

Additional charges

- You will be able to extend your child's hours to start 8.50am at an additional cost of £10 per week. This will be payable monthly in advance via your child's ParentPay account.
- Hot school meals are available to order, in advance through your ParentPay account at £3 per meal. (You can still provide a packed lunch if you prefer).

If your child doesn't access their full 30 hours provision:

- They can continue with their current attendance pattern and start at 8.45am.

Should you require any further information or wish to change your child's attendance pattern please speak with Mrs Crowhurst or Mrs Bridges in the school office.