## **Nursery Education Funding (NEF)**

All children are entitled to a maximum of 15 hours of funded education is from the term after their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday for a maximum of 38 weeks a year. As the Early Years Centre is open for 50 week we meet this entitlement through a "Stretch Offer". The Stretch Offer provides a child with a maximum of 11.4 hours of funded education over 50 weeks. This ensures that a child is able to receive the maximum of 570 hours of funded education a year without huge increases in their fees during school holidays.

## This entitlement means that:

If your child attends 2 sessions a week you will receive 10 hours of funded education free

If your child attends 3 or more sessions a week you will receive 11.4 hours of funded
education free

The Nursery Education Funding does not include the cost of lunch so this will still be chargeable if your child attends a morning session. Any hours outside of the funded hours are charged at our standard rates.