Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you for your interest in **Bligh Nursery**! We're excited to share some information with you about our nursery and how to apply for a place.

Starting Nursery

Children can join us at Bligh from the **term after their second birthday.**

Funding Options

For 2 and a half Year-Olds:

- Some children are entitled to **free early education and childcare** starting the term after they turn 2.
- If you're eligible for **working family funding**, the government may offer up to 30 hours of childcare per week. However, due to our current setting, we can only offer 15 hours per week until the term after your child turns 3.
- You can choose either **5 morning or 5 afternoon sessions** with us. You are also welcome to **split the 30 hours** between us and a childminder if you wish.

For 3 and 4-Year-Olds:

- All children aged 3 and 4 are entitled to **15 hours of free childcare per week** from the term after their 3rd birthday.
- Subject to spaces within the nursery, you are able to purchase extra hours. Extra sessions are £16.50
- Some families may be eligible for **30 hours of free childcare**. To check if you qualify, please visit: www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

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Fees

If your 2 year old child is not yet eligible for funding, the cost is **£23.00 per session**. Payments should be made **weekly, monthly or termly** through the **My Child At School App**.

Please note:

- The 30-hour funding only covers sessions until **2:30pm**. If your child stays beyond this time, there is an **additional charge of £5.00 per day**.
- Fees still apply even if your child misses a session due to illness or holiday. This ensures their place is kept open.
- **Non-payment** of fees may affect your child's continued place at the nursery.

If you would like to purchase extra hours for your 3 or 4 year old child, the cost is £16.50 per session.

Admissions

All places will be offered based on our **admissions criteria**, which follow the school's policy. Once applications have been reviewed, we will send you a **confirmation letter**.

Thank you once again for considering Bligh Nursery. If you have any questions or need help with funding information, we're here to support you.

Warm regards,
The Bligh Nursery Team

Bligh Primary School Nursery

Please complete in BLOCK CAPITALS

Child's Name					
Date of Birth		Male		Female	
Parent/Carers Name					
Home Telephone No		Mobile No			
Email Address					
Address					
		Postcode			
Sibling at school					

Please indicate the sessions you would like your child to attend. Whilst we cannot guarantee all sessions identified will be offered, we will ensure places are allocated fairly and to as many children on our waiting list as possible.

Please indicate when you would like your child to start at the nursery, selecting the term (please tick one only) and stating the year e.g. September 2025.

January ☐ September ☐ Year: ……

☐ Please tick if your child is eligible to receive **2 year old Funding**.

Working Family Funding Reference Number:_____

Disadvantage Funding Reference Number:_____

☐ Please tick if your child is eligible to receive **3 year old Government Funding.**

30 hour funding code: _____

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Nursery Funded Application Form

Please tick your preferred session's below.

Please be aware that in the event your preferred sessions are not available you may be offered alternative sessions or be put on a waiting list.

5 Morning Sessions – 8.30am – 11.30am	
5 Afternoon Sessions – 12.15pm – 3.15pm	
30 hour funding	

Please be advised, if you choose for your child to attend a full day session, you will need to provide them with a packed lunch.

Signed…….

Parent/Carer
Name……

Date……..

Any additional medical needs or information that we should need to be aware of: