

## Lytchett Matravers Primary School and Pre-School

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Dear Parent(s) / Carer(s),

We are sure that you understand that pre-schools and nurseries are experiencing cost pressures as a result of increases in the costs of all elements of budgets, including staffing and inflationary costs on resources.

Our preschool continues to work hard to offer the most cost-effective provision but we will be increasing the cost of sessions for 2 year olds from the beginning of the Summer Term, Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. From this point, we will be increasing our hourly cost for 2 year olds to £7 per hour. There are no other cost increases in relation to chargeables or hourly rates for 3 or 4 year olds at this point in time.

We have researched the cost of provision with other Early Years Educators and have found the the cost of £7 is either in line or below that of these providers. The amount being charged is also 22p per hour lower than the cost received from government funding for 'free' childcare hours.

Please understand that decisions to increase charges are not made lightly and are only completed when necessary, fair and proportionate.

If this increase creates a financial difficulty for your family, please do get in touch with us as we may be able to provide some support.

Best wishes,

Matt Vernon Headteacher













