



ADDENDUM

NURSERY FEES AND FUNDING - 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

The school's funding for the school year September 2018 to July 2019 has not yet been determined but it is expected that the funding for the Nursery class will again be insufficient to cover its costs.

The Governors of Hampden Gurney School believe that full time attendance in the Nursery class is in the best interests of children's education and have, therefore, decided to retain 30 full time places in the Nursery class. Those wishing to apply for their children to join our Nursery class in September 2018 should be aware that the places offered are for full-time attendance.

As with the 2017/18 Nursery intake, we will be implementing charges to cover the funding shortfall. For 2018/19, the charges will be set at £50 per week per child during term time, which is approximately 39 weeks of the year.

In arriving at this fee, the Governors looked at child care costs at other establishments and concluded that this is very reasonable by comparison with the cost of other child care options which parents may consider for their children.

If a child is offered a place in our Nursery, starting September 2018, the school will issue an invoice for £1,950 in early September to parents/guardians for the full school year's fees (i.e. 39 teaching weeks at £50 per week).

This invoice can be paid in equal instalments on a weekly, monthly or termly basis.

We will look very carefully to try to accommodate those parents/carers who will have difficulty in paying these fees. If you are on Income Support, Income-related Employment/Support Allowance, Income-Based Jobseekers Allowance, Support from NASS, Working Tax Credit, Child Credit (with no Working Tax Credit), Universal Credit, you could be eligible for a reduction or waiving of the fee.

If you would like to know whether you would qualify for a reduction in this fee before you apply for a place, please write to the Chairman of Governors at the school address, marking your envelope 'Private & Confidential'. The letter should set out the reasons why the fees cannot be paid and what your current childcare costs are for that child.

We hope these fees will not deter any parent/guardian from applying for a place in our Nursery 2018-2019.