

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCIL - FUNDING TIMETABLE – 2026/27

Autumn Term 2026 – 1 September 2026 to 31 December 2026

Term Time Offer – 14 weeks (Max) of 15 or 30 hours per week depending on funding stream	
Stretched Offer – 16 weeks (Max) – hours per week dependent on funding stream and the stretched offer you operate	
<u>Eligible Birthdate Range</u>	
3&4 Year Olds 1 September 2021 – 31 August 2023	
2 Year Olds 1 September 2023 – 31 August 2024	
9 month+ 1 September 2024 – 30 November 2025	
Provisional Claim forms to be sent out	w/c Monday, 1 June 2026
Provisional Claim forms to be returned by	Friday, 26 June 2026
1st Provisional Payment in your bank account by	Friday, 28 August 2026
2nd Provisional Payment in your bank account by	Tuesday, 29 September 2026
Final Claim Forms sent out	w/c Monday, 31 August 2026
Final Claim Forms to be returned by	Friday, 11 September 2026
1st Final Payment in your bank account by	Friday, 30 October 2026
2nd Final Payment in your bank account by	Friday, 27 November 2026
For the purposes of children transferring funding between providers during the term, the 26th October to 30th October will be used as Buckinghamshire's half term week.	

Spring Term 2027 – 1 January 2027 to 31 March 2027

Term Time Offer – 11 weeks (Max) of 15 or 30 hours per week depending on funding stream	
Stretched Offer – 13 weeks (Max) – hours per week dependent on funding stream and the stretched offer you operate	
<u>Eligible Birthdate Range</u>	
3&4 Year Olds 1 January 2022 – 31 December 2023	
2 Year Olds 1 January 2024 – 31 December 2024	
9 month+ 1 January 2025 – 31 March 2026	
Provisional Claim forms to be sent out	w/c Monday, 2 November 2026
Provisional Claim forms to be returned by	Wednesday, 11 November 2026
1st Provisional Payment in your bank account by	Thursday, 31 December 2026
2nd Provisional Payment in your bank account by	Friday, 29 January 2027
Final Claim Forms sent out	w/c Monday, 4 January 2027
Final Claim Forms to be returned by	Wednesday, 13 January 2027
1st Final Payment in your bank account by	Friday, 26 February 2027
2nd Final Payment in your bank account by	Tuesday, 30 March 2027
For the purposes of children transferring funding between providers during the term, the 15th February to 19th February will be used as Buckinghamshire's half term week.	

Summer Term 2027 – 1 April 2027 to 31 August 2027

Term Time Offer – 13 weeks (Max) of 15 or 30 hours per week depending on funding stream	
Stretched Offer – 22 weeks (Max) – hours per week dependent on funding stream and the stretched offer you operate	
<u>Eligible Birthdate Range</u>	
3&4 Year Olds 1 April 2022 – 31 March 2024	
2 Year Olds 1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025	
9 month+ 1 April 2025 – 30 June 2026	
Provisional Claim forms to be sent out	w/c Monday, 22 February 2027
Provisional Claim forms to be returned by	Wednesday, 3 March 2027
1st Provisional Payment in your bank account by	Friday, 30 April 2027
2nd Provisional Payment in your bank account by	Friday, 28 May 2027
Final Claim Forms sent out	w/c Monday, 12 April 2027
Final Claim Forms to be returned by	Wednesday, 22 April 2027
1st Final Payment in your bank account by	Tuesday, 29 June 2027
2nd Final Payment in your bank account by	Friday, 30 July 2027
For the purposes of children transferring funding between providers during the term, the 31st May to 4th June will be used as Buckinghamshire's half term week.	