



# Birches First School

**Believe, Grow, Succeed ...**  
**...to be the best 'me' I can be.**

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Dear Parents and Carers

Firstly, we would like to thank you for your continued support of the morning and afterschool clubs and lunch and wrap around care at Birches First School.

In recent years, the cost of staffing has risen significantly and this, along with increase in National Insurance contributions for employers in April, has led to increased cost pressures on the school budget.

The school and academy trust are committed to continuing to deliver a quality service; however, the cost of these services will need to be revised.

From 1st September 2025 the charge for the breakfast and afterschool club will be increasing to £5.50 per hour. Lunchtime Wrap around care will also be increasing to £8.70.

Birches Breakfast Club - £5.50

Birches Afterschool Club Nursery from 3pm - £5.50 per hour

Birches Afterschool Club Reception from 3.05pm - £5.50 per hour

Birches Afterschool Club Year 1 & Year 2 from 3.10pm - £5.50 per hour

Birches Afterschool Club Year 3 & Year 4 from 3.15pm - £5.50 per hour

Nursery Lunch & Wraparound Care - £8.70 per day

National savings and childcare vouchers can only be used against Birches breakfast and afterschool club bookings; they cannot be used for Nursery lunch and wraparound care or any other afterschool activity clubs). Please ensure these payments are made in plenty of time to ensure the funds can be allocated to your child's morning or afternoon club account to allow you to then make required bookings. Any bookings made cannot be changed/refunded. (Any late bookings which are made by via the office will be charged at £6.50 per hour).

We have researched the prices of other local providers, and we believe our proposed increase continues to be competitive and offer good value for money.

Kind regards

Ian Moore

Chief Finance and Operations Officer

Codsall Multi Academy Trust