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## Consumables Contribution – “Opt Out” Policy – April 2026

For government funded hours only, our consumables contribution charge is voluntary, however, by paying this contribution it allows your child to fully access the full experience we offer here at Little Explorers.

If you choose to “Opt out” of paying this contribution, you must email at the beginning of each half term and then must provide every item that is listed below (extra to what is needed to supply for your child), each day as we are unable to store items here.

Note- For snack items, please see our daily menu for ideas or to follow. Any snack provided must meet our food and nutrition policy.

### **For Children 2 years and over:**

- Breakfast - A small pot of either cornflakes, rice crispies or weetabix.
- Morning snack
- Afternoon snack
- Afterschool snack (only needed for children staying until 4pm) – Example: 2x buttered crackers and a pot of cut up fruit.
- Pack of wet wipes or a reusable cloth.
- 3 pairs of powder free vinyl gloves for nappy changing or personal care.
- 3 nappy sacks or a bag for sending home wet or soiled clothes.
- For children in nappies (that must be provided), please also provide extra gloves and nappy sacks along with a pack of wipes.
- 2 sets of spare clothes

### **For Children under 2 years:**

- Morning snack
- Afternoon snack
- Bedding – Please supply a bag with your child’s name on with the following items or you can purchase a sleep kit from us containing all that’s needed for £15. This bag will be sent home for washing at the end of each week and must be returned with your child the following week:
  - A fitted sheet (please contact us to check size depending on the age of your child)
  - A cellular blanket or sleeping bag
- Wipes, nappy sacks and 4 pairs of powder free vinyl gloves for nappy changing.
- A flanel for handwashing and for cleaning face and hands after feeding.

- 3x bibs for meal and snacktimes.
- Bag (or nappy sacks) to use for sending wet/dirty clothes home.
- Spare sets of clothes (minimum of 2 sets).

Things that we will no longer be able to provide:

- Tapestry updates and printed photos for your child's learning journal.

For our "Enhanced activities" that go beyond the basic EYFS requirements, we might ask for a donation if your child takes part or ask for items to be brought in from home;

- Baking sessions
- Costs incurred for trips to the park, library bus, or village outings
- Seasonal and event-based crafts and take-home gifts
- Gardening club activities
- Parent stay-and-play sessions (e.g., Christmas stay-and-play, Mother's Day tea, Easter stay-and-play, Father's Day tea, Sports Day, Music and Arts Festival, End-of-term party/graduation)
- Gifts for the children (Christmas, Easter, Graduation/leavers)
- Parties/feasts/celebrations for the children (eg Christmas, Diwali, Chinese New Year etc)

For activities from external providers (Music and Arts festival, Diddi dance sessions, Jiggy Wrigglers etc), if you wish your child to take part, we will ask for the cost of your child's place at that session which will be billed to you separately.

Please be mindful that the money that we receive from the Government for funded childcare, only covers the childcare element of their place here. It does not cover all the extra little things we do and provide for your child. Therefore, if we don't ask for this small contribution, we would struggle to continue providing a fully enhanced curriculum and experience for all.

Thank you for your understanding and please contact us if you would like to discuss this further.