

Thank you for choosing our wonderful school. Please read the whole form carefully, including the terms and conditions.

In keeping with our ethos of inclusivity, York Steiner School's desire is to offer our education as widely as possible. Your child's journey through Kindergarten starts as a Seed (Age 3-4) then Leaf (Age 4-5) and Bud (age 5-6).

Until your child reaches the age of 5 you are likely to be eligible for Early Years Funding (EYF) from Gov.UK. The school accepts applications from families to include 15 hours of Early Years Funding within the packaged price. If you choose to use your EYF at another setting the price you would pay is the per child price for that year group.

We also offer the option of a generous sibling discount of 25% discount for the first sibling and 35% discount for any additional siblings.

There is an additional annual charge for Educational Materials of £120.00 per child (£40 p/term).

Kindergarten Year group package	2023/2024 Annual Fee Per Child	2023/24 Universal EYF Funding allowance	Educational Materials per child	Balance to pay
Seed - Age 3-4	£4750	£2446	£120.00	£2424
Leaf - Age 4-5 (child turns 5 in the autumn term)	£6000	£815	£120.00	£5305
Leaf - Age 4-5 (child turns 5 in Spring term)	£6000	£1630	£120.00	£4490
Leaf - Age 5-6 (child turns 5 in Summer term)	£6000	£2446	£120.00	£3674
Bud	£7500	N/A	£120.00	£7620

# Age 5 and beyond - tiered structure based on income.

As each Kindergarten child matures and approaches the transition to Main School, Universal EYF is no longer available from the school term after each Kindergarten child's 5<sup>th</sup> birthday. At this point, the Kindergarten Fee structure evolves with the child to mirror a graduated fee structure similar to that of Main School.

The graduated fee structure has been sensitively designed to balance the gift of education with the challenges of affordability. It offers 6 tiers of Per Child Charge with each tier based on Total Gross Family Income as set out below.

Total Gross Family	Graduated Annual Per Child Charge			
<u>Income</u>	Leaf >5 yrs of age	<u>Bud</u>	Main School	
Up to £20,000	£3,000	£3,000	£3,000	
£20,001 - £30,000	£3,575	£3,850	£3,850	
£30,001 - £40,000	£4,150	£4,700	£5,550	
£40,001 - £55,000	£4,750	£5,600	£6,700	
£55,001 - £80,000	£5,350	£6,500	£8,500	
Over £80,000	£6,000	£7,500	£9,750	
Optional sibling discount:	First sibling 25% Additional siblings 35%			

Where families wish to apply for a reduced fee based on income we ask that you complete the form appendix A to determine gross family income and subsequently your income fee bracket.

We have also provided some examples of the Leaf Year reduced costs based on family income and where the child's birthday falls ie. Spring, Summer & Autumn Term. (Appendix B)

Finance App Parent/Carer	olication York St	teiner Scho	ol 2023		
Tel No: Email: Address:					
Post code:					
Parent/Carer Tel No: Email: Address:	<b>2:</b>				
Post code:					
Child's Name	Kindergarten Maple Tree Apple Silver Birch Willow	Annual Fee	Optional Sibling discount applied Y/N	Plus Educational Materials £120 (£40 per term)	Total Payment
Child 1				£120.00	
Child 2			25%	£120.00	
Child 3			35%	£120.00	
Total Payment					
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Parent Carer (2)

Appendix A: To be completed and returned by all families requiring a reduced charge

Income Streams	Parent/Carer/ Guardian 1	Parent/Carer/ Guardian 2	Total (per annum)	Potential Source of Information
Gross Salaried Income				e.g.P45, P60, payslip
Gross Bonus / Commission				e.g.P60, payslip
Taxable income from self-employment				e.g. Financial Accounts, Tax Returns last 3yrs
Distributions, dividends, other income from company income				e.g. Financial Accounts, Tax Returns last 2yrs
Interest income from savings/investments				e.g. Statements
Distributions/dividends				e.g. Statements
Income from rented properties				e.g. Statements,
Tax Credits / Universal Credit				e.g. Confirmation Letter
Child Benefit				e.g. Confirmation Letter
Housing Benefit				e.g. Confirmation Letter
Unemployment Benefit/income support/other State benefits				e.g. Confirmation Letter
Maintenance payments made to you/your partner				e.g. Court Order, separation /divorce agreement
Income from insurance policies or permanent health plans				e.g. Confirmation Letter
Any other regular income, e.g. income from family members				eg. Statements
Total Gross Family Income:				

### **Appendix B**

# Illustrated example (1):

A Kindergarten Leaf turns 5 in the Autumn term, has no siblings and a Total Gross Family Income of £19,000 p.a.

#### For Autumn:

Pro-rata Annual Per Child Charge for a Leaf = £2,000 (£6,000 x 1/3) less

Autumn term entitlement to Universal EYF = (£815)  $\rightarrow$  Remaining Amount to Pay = £1185.00 (£2000- £815)

# For the Spring & Summer term:

Applicable Graduated Annual Per Child Charge = £2000 (£3,000 x 2/3) Total Amount to pay for the 2022/23 School Year: = £3185

# **Illustrated example (2):**

A Kindergarten Leaf who turns 5 in the Spring term, has no siblings and a Total Gross Family Income of £19,000 p.a.

## For Autumn & Spring term:

Pro-rata Annual Per Child Charge for a Leaf = £4,000 (£6,000 x 2/3) less Autumn term entitlement to Universal EYF = (£1630)  $\rightarrow$  Remaining Amount to Pay = £2370 (£4,000 - £1,630)

### For the Summer term:

Applicable Graduated Annual Per Child Charge = £1000 (£3,000 x 1/3)

Total Amount to pay for the 2022/23 School Year: = £3370

# Illustrated example (3):

A Kindergarten Leaf who turns 5 in the Summer term, has no siblings and a Total Gross Family Income of £19,000 p.a.

For Autumn, Spring & Summer:

Pro-rata d Annual Per Child Charge for a Leaf = £6,000 less Autumn, Spring &

Summer term entitlement to Universal EYF = (£2,446)  $\rightarrow$  Remaining Amount to

Pay = £3,554 (£6,000 - £2,446)

Total Amount to pay for the 2022/23 School Year: = £3554

#### Terms and Conditions:-

### **Deposits:**

A refundable deposit of £300 is required to be paid prior to your child starting school.

### **Payments**

All payments of fees will be made by direct debit 1st September 2023 until and including 1st August 2024

For families joining mid year, fees will be allocated proportionally.

A £20 charge will be levied for any unpaid direct debits.

### **Trial period:**

Children will be offered a trial period (usually 2 weeks). Payment of the first monthly fee will be required at the start of the trial period, however in the unlikely event of the trial being unsuccessful, we will refund any fees paid within that period.

### Leavers:

Any family leaving the school is required to provide 3 months written notice to the Headteacher and Finance Manager. Where 3 months notice is not feasible due to family circumstances we will require a 3 month payment in lieu of notice instead.

# **Unpaid fees:**

We understand that from time to time families have unforeseen circumstances and we would ask that you contact the finance department to make any arrangements as soon as you are aware of a potential missed payment. Missing payments may put your child's school place at risk and will also cause debt to accrue. The school has a limit on the amount of debt that can be accrued whilst the child is in school, as outlined in our debt policy available via the school website.

### **Community Supported Fee Assistance Fund:**

Our community strives to support children when their families are experiencing financial difficulties by contributing to the Community Supported Fee Assistance Fund. This fund is available as a temporary financial support towards school fees, for existing families within the school.

Where possible families pay a regular monthly donation or ad hoc donations to this fund If you would like to become one of generous donors please follow this link <a href="https://donorbox.org/york-steiner-school-2021-campaign">https://donorbox.org/york-steiner-school-2021-campaign</a> or contact our <a href="mailto:finance@yorksteinerschool.org">finance@yorksteinerschool.org</a>

All donations are warmly received.

### All forms to be returned to:

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