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**ECCE TOP UP FEES**

A broad range of pre-school services is currently available in Dublin, including, individual child minding services, large group creches, play school and Montessori pre-school education. There is a significant difference in the nature, content, structure and quality of the different services available. Consequently, the fees payable in respect of the services will vary across the range.

Grace Park Montessori Pre-School was established in 1993. At its foundation it was a private educational facility for pre-school children.

Although Grace Park Montessori participates in the ECCE scheme that supports parents in the provision of basic pre-school education, it retains **many additional services** that were characteristic of its private operation. An additional top-up fee is charged to cover these services. The top-up fee for the morning group is €25 per week and €17.50 per week for the afternoon group and it is payable on an interim basis at the beginning of each term. (See below.)

The ECCE scheme provides a capitation payment of, approximately, €69 per week for each child. This grant covers the cost of providing a basic pre-school service within limited and specified hours (normally 15 hours per week). It does not cover the numerous extra services that are provided by Grace Park Montessori and which make it stand out as a leader in high quality early years education.

It is the top-up fee that covers these additional aspects of your child's early education which include: extended opening times, school outings, lunch and snack breaks, cookery, high quality crafts for special occasions, children's birthday cakes and celebrations, the annual graduation event and so forth. The top up fee also funds important extra-curricular activities and enhanced educational materials that are provided by the school.

Having regard to the fees charged for comparable services throughout Dublin city, the top up fees currently charged by Grace Park Montessori are modest and reasonable. The choice to send your child to our early years' service which provides these additional activities rests with you as parents and partners in your children's education. For our part, we will do everything we can to give your child the best possible pre-school educational experience which we know provides a crucially important foundation for the future.

**Top Up Fees Per Term**

<b>Term</b>	<b>Morning Group</b>	<b>Afternoon Group</b>
Term 1 (September to December)	€400	€280
Term 2 (January to March)	€275	€192.50
Term 3 (April to June)	€275	€192.50