




Rain Trees - school day, term dates & fee schedule for 2016/17



Class (by age)	2 to 3 year olds - Butterflies: 	3 to 4 year olds - Dragonflies: 	4 years plus - Busy Bees: 
No of days	2, 3 or 5 days	2, 3 or 5 days	5 days
Class timing	8.45am to 11.45am	9am to 12noon	9am to 2.30pm
Terms	Rain Trees has three terms. The first term is 15 weeks long, the second term is 11 weeks and the third term is 12 weeks. However, the first term has a two week mid-term break.		
School fees (in Singapore Dollars)	HALF DAYS 2016-17 First term: 6,750 2016-17 Second term: 4,950* 2016-17 Third term: 5,400* <small>Fees are pro-rated when children attend for 2 or 3 days.</small>		FULL DAYS 2016-17 First term: 8,625 2016-17 Second term: 6,050* 2016-17 Third term: 6,600*
Scheduling Flexibility	Children on half days may extend to full days at a rate of S\$30 per day extended - payable termly in advance. Any combination of afternoon days may be chosen from 1 to 5 days per week. In the Busy Bees class children must do full days.		

Term dates

2016-17 First term (15 weeks)	Term Start : Monday 22nd August 2016 Term Ends : Friday 16th December 2016 Mid - Term break : Monday 10th October to Friday 21st October 2016 Holidays : Monday 12th September 2016 (Hari Raya Haji) and Saturday 29th October 2016 (Deepavali) Orientation day : Friday 19th August 2016
2016-17 Second term (11 weeks)	Term Start : Tuesday 10th January 2017 Term Ends : Friday 31st March 2017 Mid-term break: Monday 30th January to Friday 3rd February 2017 Orientation day: Monday 9th January 2017
2016-17 Third term (12 weeks)	Term Start: Monday 17th April 2017 Term Ends: Friday 7th July 2017 Holiday: Monday 1st May 2017 (Labour Day)

Other important fee information

Fee revisions	Fees are revised annually at the start of each calendar year or when there are programme changes resulting in fee changes. At least 1 months' notice will be given for changes in fees.
Tax (GST)	Currently the school does not have to pay GST as annual revenues are below the registration threshold and hence all fees exclude GST. However, this will change during the 2016-17 school year and it is expected that GST at 7% will be payable from Term 2 onwards.
Start dates	When places are available it is possible for children to start mid way in a term. Fees are then pro-rated according to the start date.
Teaching approach	At Rain Trees we aim to provide a creative environment, which is both stimulating and challenging. Children learn best through doing and we give ample opportunities to explore, experiment and discover with hands-on equipment and materials in an adult directed setting. Our curriculum is based on the UK Early Years National Curriculum. For further information download the Parents Handbook from the website. Rain Trees Kindergarten is one of only a few Foreign System Schools approved in Singapore and is regulated directly by the Ministry of Education.
Parent & Toddler Play Group	The Parent & Toddler Group and the Helper & Toddler Group is open to children aged up to 2.5 years. The group is open to registered and non registered parents (registered parents have priority).
Registration fee	S\$750 (non refundable)
Acceptance deposit	S\$1,000. Deposits are fully refundable provided three months' written notice of withdrawal is given (referenced to the end date of their final term at RainTrees). The deadline dates for withdrawal are communicated via the newsletter. The refundable deposit is not deductible from the fees and it is not transferable to other children. Refunds will be made within 7 days of your child's last day at the kindergarten. NB Deposits will not be refunded, regardless of circumstance, if the required written notice is not provided by the withdrawal deadline date.
Refund of fees	Term fees once paid are not refundable, in full or in part, in any circumstances.
Payment of fees	By cheque or bank transfer. We invoice for fees 6 weeks before the end of the current term for the following term, and give 30 days for payment. Children with fees outstanding are unable to attend Rain Trees unless by prior agreement for exceptional cases.

* Fees subject to MOE approval and do not include the 7% GST that is expected to be payable