

30 Hours Free Nursery Places

We offer 30 hours free childcare for working families

From 1st September 2017, an additional 15 hours free early education entitlement (FEEE) will be available to three and four year olds from working families. This is on top of the 15hrs FEEE open to all 3 and 4 year olds and will provide up to a total of 30 hours FEEE a week (or 1,140 hours across the year) for children whose families meet the following criteria:

- **Both parents – or sole parent in a single parent family are employed** (or self-employed) each earning on average:
 - A weekly minimum equivalent to 16 hours at National Minimum Wage (NMW) or National Living Wage (NLW)
 - Less than £100,000 per year.
- **Families where one parent does not work (or neither works) will not usually be eligible for the extended entitlement EXCEPT where:**
 - Both parents are employed but one or both parents is temporarily away from the workplace (ie Maternity/Paternity, adoption leave, or statutory sick pay)
 - One parent is employed and one parent has substantial caring responsibilities, or is disabled or incapacitated (based on specific benefits)

Check your eligibility at childcarechoices.gov.uk

If you are successful, you will be issued with a code which you must give to the office so that we can confirm your eligibility. Families will need to reconfirm their eligibility **every three months** to continue with the funding.

Children can take up their additional 15 hours Feee from the **term after they turn 3**. However, you must apply and have received your eligibility code the **term before** you wish to take up the additional hours.

If your child turns three between:	They can take up their Free Place From
1st January to 31st March	1st April (Summer Term)
1st April to 31st August	1st September (Autumn Term)
1st September to 31st December	1st January (Spring Term)

