

The Early Years Pupil Premium

Since April 2015, nurseries, schools, childminders and other childcare providers have been able to claim extra funding through the Early Years Pupil Premium to support children's development, learning and care.

The funding is available to children aged 3 and 4 years whose parents are in receipt of certain benefits or for children who have been in care or who have left care through adoption or child arrangement orders.

How can the extra funds help my child?

We can use the extra funding in any way we choose to improve the quality of the early year's education that we provide for an eligible child. This could include for example

- Additional training for our staff e.g. speech and Language development
- Extra or individual support in a particular learning area
- Extra equipment to support development
- Additional staffing or extra staff hours to enable further support for your child

Do I qualify for EYPP:

If you are in receipt of any of these benefits, you may be entitled to claim extra funding for your child

Children are eligible for EYPP if they receive at least one hour of free early years entitlements provision and their parent or carer receives one or more of the following benefits:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Universal Credit, if the parent or carer's annual net household income is less than £7,400, not including any benefits

If the child was formerly looked after by a local authority in England or Wales through adoption, a special guardianship order or a child arrangements order, they are also eligible.

How do I claim the funding? If you think you may qualify, it's quick and easy to fill out the relevant section on the funding form