

Funded Entitlement for 2, 3 & 4 Year Olds – Parent Information

Some two year olds are entitled to 15 hours of Funded Entitlement (FE) per week over 38 weeks per year. This is known as **TWO YEAR OLD FUNDING**

- If your annual household income is less than £16,190 or you are in receipt of an eligible benefit you may be eligible.
- You will need to complete an online or paper application form or you can contact York's FIS Service on 01904 554444 who can support you to complete the application.

All 3 and 4 year olds are entitled to 15 hours of Funded Entitlement (FE) each week, over 38 weeks per year.

- You can claim less than the 15 hours if you do not wish to access your full FE
- A maximum of 10 hours can be claimed in any one day.
- Your child can attend a maximum of two sites in a single day

Eligible Date of Birth Ranges for Two Year Old Funding and Universal funded entitlement

A child who is 2 or 3 in:	Can have their funded place from:
January, February or March	The start of the summer term
April, May, June, July or August	The start of the autumn term
September, October, November or December	The start of the spring term

Some 3 and 4 year olds are entitled to an additional 15 hours of Funded Entitlement. This is known as **30 HOURS FUNDED ENTITLEMENT**

- To find out if your child is eligible to claim the 30 Hours FE you must go online and apply to the government website: <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>
- If your child is eligible you will receive an eligibility code which will **MUST** be taken to your chosen provider and entered onto the Parental Declaration Form before your child takes up a 30 hours place.
- You may receive an eligibility code before your child is 3 but they can only start claiming their 30hours place in the term following their 3rd birthday or the term following the date when the eligibility code was issued (**whichever is the later**)

Child turns 3 between:	Eligibility code issued in month:	Child will be funded from the:		
		Summer term	Autumn term	Spring term
April-August	April, May, June, July or August		√	
April-August	Sept, October, November or December			√
April-August	January, February or March	√		
January-March	April, May, June, July or August		√	
January-March	Sept, October, November or December			√
January – March	January, February or March	√		
Sept-December	April, May, June, July or August		√	
Sept-December	Sept, October, November or December			√
Sept-December	January, February or March	√		

Additional Funding

Some 3 and 4 year olds may also be entitled to other benefits as follows:

EARLY YEARS PUPIL PREMIUM (EYPP)

This is an additional sum of money paid to childcare providers for children of families in receipt of certain benefits including:

- Income Support/income-based Jobseeker's Allowance/income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (provided they're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on, which is paid for 4 weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child is 'looked after' by a local authority in England or Wales, or
- Child has left care in England or Wales through an adoption, a special guardianship order or a child arrangement order

The funding will be used to enhance the quality of your child's early years' experience by improving the teaching and learning and facilities and resources, with the aim of impacting positively on your child's progress and development. For more information, please speak to your childcare provider.

- In order for us to check your eligibility for EYPP, the personal details of the main benefit holder need to be completed under the EYPP section of the Parent Declaration Form.

DISABILITY ACCESS FUND (DAF)

DAF is paid to the child's early years setting as a fixed annual rate of £615 per eligible child. If your child attends more than one provider, you will need to nominate the main provider where the local authority should pay the DAF on the DAF application form.

- 3 and 4 year old children who are in receipt of child Disability Living Allowance and are receiving Funded Entitlement are eligible for the Disability Access Fund .
- You will be required to provide evidence that your child is in receipt of Disability Living Allowance

SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

If your child has special educational needs (SEN), speak to your provider who may be able to access some additional funding to support your child in their Early Years setting.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR YOUR CHILDCARE COSTS

For further information about 15 hours or 30 hours childcare, Tax Free Childcare, Tax Credits, Universal Credit for Childcare, Childcare Vouchers and Support while you study, go to:

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>