## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### How does the setting check eligibility?

To check eligibility for the EYPP, pre-school, nursery or childminding settings will simply ask parents to identify whether they believe they are eligible, complete an application form which will include their National Insurance number and each parents' date of birth. Parents will also be asked to provide proof of eligibility e.g benefits information. Parents are not obliged to apply for EYPP if they do not wish, it is an entirely

voluntary application process.

### What if my child does not attend for 15 hours per week?

The EYPP will run alongside the free entitlement to early education for all 3 & 4 year olds and will be available for any hours up to a maximum of 15 hours per week.

### What if my child attends more than one setting?

The pre-school, nursery or childminder will receive EYPP in proportion to the number of hours the eligible children take up with them. If your child attends a maintained nursery all of the funding will go to the nursery.

# What if I only have 1 term before my child starts in a school Reception class?

The EYPP is available to every 3 and 4 year old who attends a pre-school, nursery or childminding setting and where their parents/carers fulfil the eligibility criteria. Their setting will provide EYPP up until the child's transition to a school reception class.

## How will I know that my child has benefited from this funding?

Each pre-school, nursery or childminder setting will have the freedom to decide how to make use of the funding as they will work closely with parents to understand the particular needs of each child.

Ofsted will review its Inspection framework to look for evidence that every preschool, nursery or childminding setting understands and can meet the needs of the children eligible for EYPP.

# The Early Years Pupil Premium

for 3 & 4 year olds













Additional funding to support your child's learning and development in the setting

### What is Early Years Pupil Premium?

- It is additional Government funding to enchance your 3 and 4 year old's early education.
- Your child's early education provision pre-school, nursery or childminder - could receive up to £300 a year for your child to support their individual learning if they are eligible.

#### Is my child eligible?

- You may apply for Early Years Pupil Premium if your child is aged 3 or 4 years old, is receiving free early education hours at a nursery, pre-school or childminding setting and you are in receipt of one or more of the following benefits:
- Income support
- Job Seekers' Allowance (Income-based)
- Employment & Support Allowance (Income-related)
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of the State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit based on an annual gross income of no more than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit run-on

### Or your child has been:

- Looked after by the Local Authority for at least one day
- Has been adopted from care
- Has left care through special guardianship
- Subject to a child arrangement order

### How does it help my child?

Your nursery, pre-school or childminder will work in partnership with you to carefully consider the learning and development needs of your child and use the additional funding to support them with the following areas:

Personal, social and emotional development

- Communication and Language
- Physical development
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the world
- Expressive arts and design

When Ofsted inspect your nursery, pre-school or childminder they will check to see that the Early Years Pupil Premium additional funding is helping your child to learn and develop and get ready for school.

### What do I do next?

If you think you qualify, it's quick and easy. Talk to your childcare provider

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