

NURSERY GRANT GUIDANCE

The Children's House participates in the Nursery Education Grant scheme. Through the scheme parents of eligible children will be given the nursery education grant for 15 hours childcare per week, for a minimum of 33 weeks per year. Children become eligible in the term following their third birthday and up until the term following their fifth birthday.

Fee notes will be sent out at the end of the preceding term as usual, they will show services over and above the 15 hours free entitlement. These costs include staffing costs which allow the nursery and school to maintain its high teacher to child ratios and to provide a fully qualified teacher in each class, resources, extracurricular activities and outings.

The nursery will also be able to offer the 30-hour free entitlement to eligible parents of 3 to 4 year olds. To verify eligibility for the 30 hours free entitlement parents will need to log on to https://childcare-support.tax.services.gov.uk. Below are some guidelines on eligibility which may be helpful:

- Both parents are working (employed or self-employed including zero hours contracts) or the sole parent is working in a lone parent family; and each parent earns, on average, a weekly minimum equivalent to 16 hours at the national minimum wage (NMW); and each parent individually earns less that £100,00 per year
- Both parents are employed but one or both parents is temporarily away from the workplace on paternal, maternity or paternity leave
- One parent is employed and one parent has substantial caring responsibilities based on specific benefits received for caring or
- One parent is employed and one parent is disabled or incapacitated based on receipt of specific benefits.

Once eligibility has been agreed parent will be given a validation code which should be given to the Administrator. Eligibility codes will be valid for a certain period of time. Parents will be reminded by the Local Authority to re-confirm their eligibility every 3 months.

All admissions are subject to the Children's House Admission Policy and the School's Terms and Condition will apply.

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