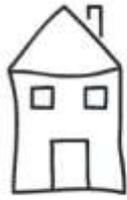


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Nursery Grant Guidance

This policy should be reviewed annually and as required by legislation.		
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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 but will they will be itemised to show the agreed services over and above the 15 hours free entitlement. These 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 although this is not available once children join the Reception year. 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:

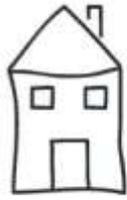
- Both parents are working (employed or self-employed including zero hours contracts) or the sole parent is working in a lone parent family; and each parent earns, on average, a weekly minimum equivalent to 16 hours at the national minimum wage (NMW) or national living wage (NLW); and each parent individually earns less than £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
- Both parents are employed but one or both parents is temporarily away from the workplace on adoption leave
- Both parents are employed but one or both parents is temporarily away from the workplace on statutory sick pay
- 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 HRMC 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.

Bursaries

The Children's House School offers a limited number of bursaries. There is an application process and all applications are means tested.



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This Policy was reviewed, amended and agreed by the Council of Management in February 2020. It will be reviewed again in one year's time.

Dawn Brindle

Agreed by _____ Chair of the Council of Management