## **Early Years Pupil Premium**

More funding to support your child with their early education



If you have a three or four year old child who attends a school nursery, day nursery, childminder or pre-school, your early education provider could be entitled to claim extra funding from the government to better support your child's education.

The funding, known as Early Years Pupil Premium or EYPP is provided through the council and is available to support children aged three and four years whose parents or carers are in receipt of particular benefits or for children who have been in care or adopted from care.

If you are eligible the extra funding could be used in lots of ways to give your child the best start in life and prepare them for full time school.

For example, the funding could be used to provide:

- Specialist training for staff e.g. speech and language development
- Extra individual or group support in a particular learning area
- Extra equipment to support particular development
- Additional staff or staff hours to enable further adult support



## Do I qualify for Early Years Pupil Premium?

Three and four year olds will be eligible for EYPP if the child receives the universal 15 hours entitlement and their family gets one of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided they are 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 four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit for places starting in the summer term of 2018 (on or after April 1 2018), or any subsequent term, if a parent is entitled to Universal Credit they must have an annual net earned income equivalent to and not exceeding £7,400, assessed on up to three of the parents most recent Universal Credit assessment periods.

Or, if you provide care for a child who:

- Is looked after by the local authority
- Has been adopted from care
- Has left care through a special guardianship order
- Is subject to child arrangement orders



## What do I need to do next?

If you think you are eligible, to make sure your child's early education provider is able to claim the funding, you need to complete an Early Years Pupil Premium application form. Your child's early education provider can assist you with the application if you ask them. You can complete an online application at www.dudley.gov.uk/eypp

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