

Early Years Pupil Premium Policy

"The aim of the EYPP is to close the gap between children from disadvantaged backgrounds and their peers by providing funding to early years' providers to help them raise the quality of their provision" (DfE Consultation)

The Early Years Pupil Premium provides an extra 53p an hour on top of the Free Entitlement for 3 and 4-year-olds whose parents are in receipt of certain benefits or who have been in care or adopted from care. This means an extra £302 per year for each child taking up the full 570 hours funded free entitlement.

Eligibility

Children will be eligible to claim EYPP if they meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Their family receives one of the following:
 - . Income support
 - . Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
 - . Income-based ESA
 - . Support under part VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999
 - . Guaranteed element of state pension credit
 - . Child tax credit, providing 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 4 weeks after they stop qualifying for working tax credit.
 - . Universal credit
 - . They have been in local authority care for 1 day or more in England or Wales
 - They have been adopted from care in England or Wales
 - They have left care under a special guardianship order or residence order in England or Wales

Playways Preschool can use the extra funding in any way we see appropriate to improve the quality of the early years education that we provide for your child. This could include, for example, additional training for our staff on early language or sign language, investing in partnership working with our colleagues to further our expertise or working on

specialised areas such as speech and language support, literacy and numeracy.

Where appropriate, the funding may go towards enrichment activities, such as music or drama sessions in the setting to support a particular child or children.

We ask all parents to complete their details, including National Insurance number, on the free entitlement funding form to enable us to claim the pupil premium on behalf of your child, if eligible.