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**30 Hours Childcare**

## **Your guide to the '30 hours funded childcare' scheme and how your family could benefit from it at wells House Kindergarten.**

You may already know that the government is rolling out a scheme offering '30 hours funded childcare' to some families with children aged 3 to 4-years-old. The '30 hours funded childcare' scheme is great news for eligible families, who could claim up to double the amount of funded childcare they are currently entitled to.

### **What is the '30 Hours Funded Childcare' scheme?**

All 3 and 4-year-olds in England are currently entitled to up to 15 hours a week funded childcare for 38 weeks of the year (during school term-times). From September 2017 this entitlement could go up to 30 hours a week for 38 weeks of the year for some working families.

This could take your funded childcare entitlement from 570 hours a year up to 1,140 hours a year.

### **Will Wells House Kindergarten be offering 30 hours' funded childcare?**

We will 😊

Many nurseries in England have said they will not be offering the extra hours, but our nursery will be taking part in the scheme.

As Wells House is a full daycare setting open for 52 weeks a year, we will be spreading the 1,140 funded hours over 51 weeks (instead of 38), to help spread the savings throughout the year. This means that if your child attends nursery during half terms and holidays, you'll benefit from funded childcare every week – not just during term-time.



### **How do I know if I am entitled to 30 hours' funded childcare?**

In order to receive 30 hours' funded childcare, you'll need to be able to answer 'Yes' to the following questions:

1. Will my child be aged 3 or 4 when the scheme starts?
2. Are both parent/carers working (or am I as a sole parent/carer, working)?
3. Does each parent/carer earn (on average) the equivalent of 16 hours a week at National Minimum Wage or National Living Wage?
4. Does each parent/carer have an annual income of less than £100,000?
5. Do I live in England?

### **How do I apply for 30 hours' funded childcare?**

To apply for 30 hours' funded childcare, you'll need to make an online application to [HRMC](#). The online application form isn't available to use just yet, but the government says it should be ready by mid-summer. We will keep you updated

1. Once you've completed your application, you'll be told whether or not you're eligible for 30 hours' funded childcare.
2. If you are eligible you will then receive a code.
3. You will need to bring your code into the nursery and give it to your Nursery Manager, along with your National Insurance number.
4. Then all you have to do is wait for your Nursery Manager to check the code is correct, and set up your funded childcare hours for you. It's as simple as that!

**As this is a brand new scheme, the information that is currently available can be a little confusing. We're always available to answer any questions you might have. Pop in to the nursery for a chat about how you can get help with your childcare costs any time, or call us on 01204 571777**