

Seedling Nursery

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Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP) Policy

Introduction/Background

The Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP) became available to some children who are already in receipt of funding. You can apply for EYPP if your child is aged 2, 3 or 4 and you get 15 hours free childcare. It is an additional supplement and will be used to enhance the opportunities and experiences for these children.

Eligibility

You must also get at least one of the following:

- income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you 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 you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - your household income must be less than £7,400 a year after tax not including any benefits you get

You may also get early years pupil premium if your child is currently being looked after by a local authority in England or Wales or if your child has left care in England or Wales through:

- adoption
- special guardianship order
- a child arrangements order

Children are also eligible for funding if:

- they have been in Local Authority care for 1 day or more
- they have been in care and then adopted
- they have left care under a special guardianship or residence order

For these children, managers and representatives from social care will be involved in discussions about how best to spend the funding.

Key person



Each child at Seedling Nursery will have a key person who understands his/her individual needs. The key worker will observe the child continuously and assess him/her regularly, identifying the next steps for learning and development.

How we will use the EYPP at Seedling Nursery

We strive to offer the best possible outcomes for every child and the additional funding will help to ensure that children in receipt of EYPP make accelerated progress; it will help to narrow the gap between the outcomes for EYPP children and the rest of the children in the nursery. As well as the key worker's knowledge, observations and assessments and discussions with parents, performance data gives additional information about a child's developmental and learning needs.

Staff teams meet regularly to discuss the needs of children and identify specific areas in which individual and small groups of children require support. Activities and experiences for individual children, or groups of children will be planned, along with small group work where appropriate. Lead staff will be identified and any resources purchased. Sometimes home learning packs will be created. Parent workshops will be held when appropriate.

EYPP funding will be used for:

- Specific Resources
- Training for staff
- Additional staff hours

The nature of the additional support that EYPP children receive will depend upon their need. Progress will be closely monitored and documented. Performance data will be analysed closely to indicate progress against targets set.

Working with parents


Parents' meetings are held regularly, at which targets for learning will be identified. Parents will be informed as to how they may help their child at home. Progress towards targets and achievements will be shared regularly.

Monitoring Outcomes

An analysis of the performance of children in receipt of EYPP funding will be carried out by the SENCO throughout the year to ensure that individual and groups of children are making expected progress, identify any that may be at risk of underachieving and identify any areas within the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) that may need to be focused upon.

Complaints procedure

If parents would like to discuss their child's progress, or are concerned in any way about an aspect of provision for their child, they should share their concerns with their child's key worker or the SENCO.

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