

# **30 hours free childcare**

**Important information for  
Parents and Carers**



## **Starting from September 2017.....**

As you will be aware from September 2017 the government will be implementing a change in the funding offered to 3 and 4 year olds of working parents across the country.

### **Will I qualify for the 30 hours entitlement?**

Parents of three and four year olds will need to meet the following criteria in order to be eligible for 30 hours free childcare:

- They earn or expect to earn the equivalent to 16 hours at National Minimum or Living Wage over the coming three months.
- This equates to £120 a week (or c. £6,000 a year) for each parent over 25 years old or £112.80 a week (or c. £5,800 a year) for each parent between 21 and 24 years old.
- This applies whether you are in paid employment, self-employed or on zero hour's contract.
- The parent (and their partner where applicable) should be seeking the free childcare to enable them to work.
- Where one or both parents are on maternity, paternity, shared parental or adoption leave, or if they are on statutory sick leave.



- Where one parent meets the income criteria and the other is unable to work because they are disabled, have caring responsibilities or have been assessed as having limited capability to work.
- Where a parent is in a 'start-up period' (i.e. they are newly self-employed) they do not need to demonstrate that they meet the income criteria for 12 months.
- If a non-EEA national, the parent must have recourse to public funds

### **Who will not qualify???**

A parent will not meet the criteria when:

- Either parent has an income of more than £100,000
- Either parent is a non-EEA national and subject to immigration control (and has no recourse to public funds)
- If one parent is not working or works under 16 hours per week

### **IMPORTANT:**

**Parents have to re-apply for their code every term, if this is not submitted to the nursery, by the deadline then the hours will be reverted back to 15 hours.**



What do you need to do? The application process.....

[www.childcarechoices.org.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.org.uk)

- Parents can apply for tax-free childcare and 30 hours at the same time
- Parents can choose not to apply for tax-free childcare and still apply for 30 hours
- Parents must set up a 'Government Gateway' account in order to apply for
- Who have account/application issues can be directed to the 'Customer Interaction Centre' on 0300 123 4097
- Need to provide name, address and National Insurance number
- Need to confirm that they expect to meet the income requirements, or receive the relevant benefits, over the next three months.
- Will receive an 11-digit code to bring to you, with their name, NI number and the child's DOB.
- Eligibility codes should begin with '500'
- We would recommend that parents wait until June to apply
- You will need to collect the code for **all** children accessing 30 hours' childcare



- Without this code **WE WILL NOT** be able to claim the additional hours to make up the 30 hours

**Charging structure at the Wendy House –  
Universal 15 hours  
(Children are able to claim 10.75 hours  
per week over 52 weeks)**

<b>Attendance</b>	<b>Hours to be claimed</b>	<b>Cost for the month</b>
<b>1 day</b>	<b>10 hours</b>	<b>£102.90</b>
<b>2 days</b>	<b>10.75 hours</b>	<b>£198.90</b>
<b>3 days</b>	<b>10.75 hours</b>	<b>£432.90</b>
<b>4 days</b>	<b>10.75 hours</b>	<b>£666.90</b>
<b>5 days</b>	<b>10.75 hours</b>	<b>£900.90</b>

**Cost @ £54.00 per day**

Charging structure at the Wendy  
House – Additional 15 hours  
(Children are able to claim 21.5 hours per  
week over 52 weeks)

Attendance	Hours to be claimed	Cost for the month
1 day	10 hours	£54.60
2 days	20 hours	£109.20
3 days	21.5 hours	£316.29
4 days	21.5 hours	£550.29
5 days	21.5 hours	£784.29

Cost @ £54.00 per day

By signing up with The Wendy House Day Nursery, parents agree to their child's 30-hour entitlement being stretched over 52 weeks, which equates to 21.5 hours per week.

By signing up with The Wendy House Day Nursery, parents agree that their child's 15-hour entitlement is stretched over 52 weeks, which equates to 10.75 hours per week.



## Prices include all additional service charges

- Each Extra-Curricular activity group
- Extra Half Hour (12:00-12:30)
- All meals including breakfast, morning snack, lunch and pudding, afternoon snack and high-tea
- Any extra activities such as Living Eggs etc.



## Your 11-digit code

**Autumn term:**

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**Spring term:**

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**Summer term:**

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**A place to record your child's code -  
don't forget this has to be applied for  
every term**