

GREENFIELDS COMMUNITY SCHOOL

FREE THIRTY HOURS CHILDCARE

As you will be aware, as of September 2017, the Government is offering free thirty hours per week childcare for children who are aged between three and four.

To find out whether you may be eligible for this funding, and to apply for the funding, please follow this link :

- <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk>

The school will only be able to access this money if parents apply for it. We would expect every parent to try and find out if they are eligible for the funding.

Once you have applied, if you have been successful, you will need to inform the school and let them have the relevant paperwork as soon as possible.

To see what help you could get with childcare costs, please follow this link :

- <https://www.gov.uk/childcare-calculator>

EARLY YEARS PUPIL PREMIUM

Your child may also be eligible for the Early Years Pupil Premium – additional funding for early years settings to improve the education they provide for disadvantaged 3 and 4 year olds. It is very important that, if you are eligible for the EYPP, you let school know.

3 and 4 year olds in state-funded education will attract EYPP funding if they meet at least 1 of the following criteria :

- 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're 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; or
 - Universal Credit
- they are currently being looked after by a local authority in England or Wales
- they have left care in England or Wales through:
 - an adoption or a special guardianship order