

**We're offering
30 hours funded
childcare**



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Day Nurseries & Pre-Schools

Are you eligible for 30 hours funded childcare?



The government is increasing Pre-School funded childcare from 15 to 30 hours. This handy guide explains whether you will be eligible, how you apply and how it differs from the 15 hour grant.

The 15 hour grant

All children in England get 570 free hours per year. It can be taken as 15 hours a week for 38 weeks of the year or 11 hours over 51 weeks of the year.



You can access this from the term after your child's 3rd birthday. Term start dates are in January, September and April.

The additional 15 hours free childcare and eligibility

You may be eligible to get up to 30 hours free childcare (totalling 1,140 hours per year).

Please note, it is not your childcare providers responsibility to apply for your 30 hours code or revalidate the code prior to deadlines.

You will be eligible for the 30 hours if you fall into the below criteria;

-  Both parents in your household are employed and work the equivalent of at least 16 hours each at national living wage or national minimum wage, therefore earning at least £120 per week.
-  Neither parent in the family household earns over £100,000.
-  One parent is employed and one parent has substantial caring responsibilities based on specific benefits received for caring.
-  One or both parents are temporarily away from the workplace on parental, maternity, paternity or adoption leave. You can also be temporarily away from the workplace on statutory sick pay.
-  One parent is employed and the other parent is disabled or incapacitated based on receipt of specific benefits.



Using the 30 hours funded childcare



If you are eligible, over the year you will have a total of 1,140 hours. You have two options at Kids Play Childcare on how to allocate your 30 hour grant.

Option 1: Using the hours in term time only

You are able to split the hours across the week, if you are using your funded hours during term-time only, please refer to the table below;



	Knowlhill Childcare Hub	Brookward Day Nursery & Pre-School	Little Chestnuts Day Nursery & Pre-School	Wolverton Day Nursery & Pre-School	Bury St Edmunds Day Nursery & Pre-School
Spread over 3 days	7:30am – 5:30pm	7:30am – 5:30pm	8:00am – 6:00pm	8:00am – 6:00pm	7:30am – 5:30pm
Spread over 4 days	N/A	7:30am – 3:00pm	8:00am – 3:30pm	N/A	N/A
Spread over 5 days	9:00am – 3:00pm	N/A	N/A	N/A	9:00am – 3:00pm

Please note meals are currently £3 per meal. You are also able to bring a packed lunch.

Option 2: Using the hours for all year round care

Option 2 is to use your funded hours throughout the whole calendar year, so instead of 30 hours, you will have 22 hours and these can be used with the following options;

Please note we only receive funding for 51 weeks per year. So for one week, usually Christmas Week, sessions are charged at our normal rates

-  4 x 5.5 hour sessions with the morning session starting at 7:30am - 1:00pm or the afternoon session between 1:00pm - 6:30pm
-  2 x 10 hour session running from 7:30am - 5:30pm and 1 x 5.5 hour session starting at 7:30am - 1:00pm or the afternoon session between 1:00pm - 6:30pm.
(Please note this would take your hours to 25.5, therefore, 3.5 hours would be chargeable.)**

Please note meals chargeable for all options.

**These times are based on the Knowlhill Childcare Hub, please contact our nurseries directly to find out if their options differ.






Accessing the additional free childcare



To access the 30 hours funded childcare you will need to go through the following process:

- 1) Check your eligibility at www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs
- 2) It is expected the application process will take around 20 minutes to complete and you will need to provide your name, address and national insurance number, as well as your income expectations over the next three months and details of any benefits.
- 3) If you live with a partner, you will need to provide the same information for them. This will enable HMRC to decide whether your child is eligible for the 30 hours.
- 4) If you are eligible, you will then be given an 11-digit code that you will need to show your chosen Kids Play Day Nursery & Pre-School, along with your national insurance number and your child's birth certificate.
- 5) Once your code has been confirmed and funding has been given, we will then be able to book your child's place.
- 6) You will need to reconfirm your eligibility every three months by logging into your Childcare Service account and validate the information otherwise you will no longer be able to claim the 30 hours.

Deadlines to verify your code are:

-  **31 August (for a September take up)**
-  **31 December (for a January take up)**
-  **31 March (for a April take up)**

Existing Parents:

Existing Parents: Please note if you are an existing parent then you need to reconfirm your eligibility for 30 hours every three months. If you reconfirm and you're no longer eligible, you will receive a message telling you that you are no longer eligible. If your child has started a 30 hours place, they may be able to continue their 30 hours childcare for a limited period known as the 'grace period'. You should however still reconfirm so that you can receive 30 hours for the following term.

The earliest existing parents can reconfirm their eligibility for 30 hours is 28 days before the deadline. If you reconfirm on time, your eligibility end date extends by three months.



Our Day Nursery & Pre-School locations offering 30-hours



The Childcare Hub

1a Roebuck Way, Milton Keynes, MK5 8HL
Tel: 01908 209210



Brookward Day Nursery

Tower Drive, Milton Keynes, MK14 6JZ
Tel: 01908 607608



Little Chestnuts Day Nursery

St Georges Road, Milton Keynes, MK3 5EN
Tel: 01908 643539



Wolverton Day Nursery

Aylesbury Street, Milton Keynes, MK12 5HU
Tel: 01908 312528



Bury St Edmunds Nursery & Pre-School

Newmarket Road, Suffolk, IP33 3SN
Tel: 01284 700414



topsy turvy Day Nursery & Pre-School

Prince Charles Drive, Brent Cross, NW4 3RW
Tel: 020 8201 7778



Willows Farm Day Nursery & Pre-School

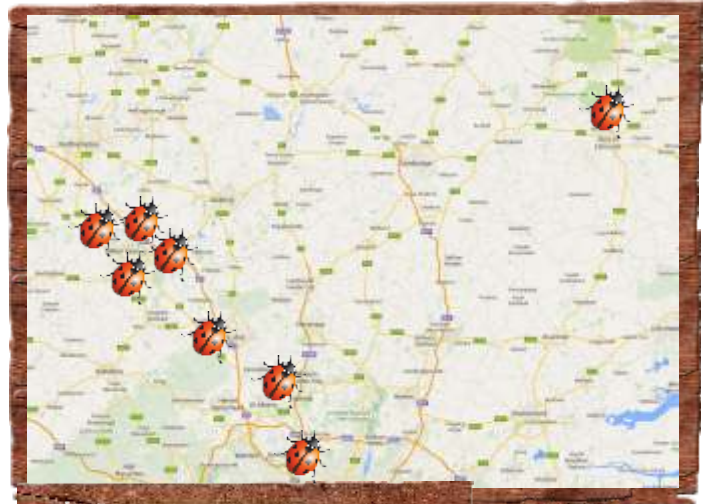
London Colney, AL4 0PF
Tel: 01727 829535



Mead Open Farm Day Nursery & Pre-School

Stanbridge Road, Leighton Buzzard, LU7 9JH
Tel: 01525 300646

Should you need further information and contact details on a nursery, please click on the nursery name.



Kids Play Locations

