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Funding Policy

All 3 to 4-year-olds in England can get 570 hours of free early education or childcare per year. Funding forms will be issued to you by Horringer Pre-School at the beginning of each term to enable the Pre-School to make a claim on your behalf. You may also be able to benefit from an additional 570 hours free early education per year, depending on your personal circumstances.

As Horringer Pre-School is only open during the term time (38 weeks per year), your child is able to receive 15 hours of free early education funding per week. However, you are not obliged to utilise the full 15 hours each week, the level of your child's attendance is up to you. Please be aware that any hours not utilised in any given week cannot be 'added on' later in your child's attendance at the Pre-School.

Some 2 years olds may receive a golden ticket as eligibility, however to check visit:

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/childcare-information-and-support-for-parents-and-providers/guidance-for-parents-and-carers/free-early-learning-for-2-year-olds/>

If you are successful you will be given a reference number to hand in to Pre-school.

When you can start claiming

The date you can start claiming depends on your child's birthday.

Child's birthday	When you can claim
1 January to 31 March	The beginning of term on or after 1 April
1 April to 31 August	The beginning of term on or after 1 September
1 September to 31 December	The beginning of term on or after 1 January



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Example: Your child was born on 15 February 2013. You can get free childcare when the next term starts after 1 April 2016.

Visit <https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/free-childcare-and-education-for-2-to-4-year-olds>

- Parents are responsible for finding out whether their child is eligible for the extra free fifteen hours per week of early education funding. This will need to be done in the term PRIOR to their child needing to access the funded hours. If parents circumstances should change and their child is no longer eligible for the extra fifteen hours per week then the government will introduce a three month 'grace period' to allow parents to become eligible again. Failure to do so will result in the parents losing their child's extra fifteen hours per week free early years funding.
- Horringer Pre-School will review each child's funded hours termly and endeavour to accommodate each family's individual needs. Funding allocation is at the discretion of the Lead Practitioner and Deputy Practitioner's discretion and subject to the setting's session availability and to protect the viability of the setting. A declaration form will be issued for parents to sign to show their understanding of our Funding, Admission and Session Policies. Should parents have any queries contacts are Stephanie Page (Lead Practitioner) manager@horringerpreschool.co.uk Mel Hyde-Carr (Deputy Practitioner) admissions@horringerpreschool.co.uk and Ruth Walker (Administrator) admin@horringerpreschool.co.uk
- Funding may be used to cover the lunch time period of 45 minutes.



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