



14th March 2016

Dear Parent / Carers

The Early Years Pupil Premium

The government via Wakefield Council have introduced a payment to childcare providers called the Early Years Pupil Premium. This is to support improvement in education and attainment of eligible part time 3 and 4 year olds who are accessing their free entitlement each week.

The Early Years Pupil Premium provides an extra 80 pence per hour for three and four year old children whose parents are in receipt of certain benefits or who have been in care or adopted from care. This means an extra £456 a year for each child taking up the full 570 hours funded entitlement to early education. This additional money could make a significant difference to us.

We can use the extra funding in any way we choose to improve the quality of the early years education that we provide for your child. This could include for example additional training for our staff on early language, investing in partnership working with our colleagues in the area to further our expertise or supporting our staff in working on specialised areas such as speech and language.

It is well documented that high quality early education can influence how well a child does at both primary and secondary school so we do want to make the most of this additional funding. You may be aware if you have older children that a pupil premium has been available for school age children and it has proved to have given a real boost to the children receiving the funding. We want to do the same for our early years children entitled to this funding.

Therefore we ask that ALL PARENTS fill in the attached form. This will allow us to claim the additional Early Years Pupil Premium. Wakefield Council will notify you in writing if we will receive EYPP funding on your behalf.

If you have any questions, please contact Miss Fenn in the Nursery.

Yours faithfully,

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