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Claiming for Early Years Extended Entitlement

Dear Parents,

We have received information from Devon County Council to say you can check your eligibility for the 30 hours funding for three and four year olds on the following websites <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk> or <https://www.gov.uk/childcare-calculator>. You will not need to apply through the digital childcare service if you only want to claim for the universal 15 hours entitlement for three and four year olds.

If you encounter any problems with the application process or accessing the childcare account, you can contact the childcare service Customer Interaction Centre on 0300 123 4097 who will be able to help you with any queries.

You will need to apply for your 30 hours eligibility code the term before you require the hours. Free hours cannot be used half way through a term and they can only be used the term following a child's third birthday.

If you qualify for the 30 hours you will be given an eligibility code for your child. Please could you put this information on the [Parent Declaration form](#) and hand back to us as soon as you have your eligibility code so we can validate the code with Devon County Council. We will then inform you that your code is valid and confirm whether we can offer you a 30 hour place.

Eligibility codes will need to be revalidated every 3 months through your online account. There will be a grace period until the end of the term if your circumstances should change.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Kind regards,

Maria Bedford (Pre-school Administrator)