

## Information from Copplestone Preschool

### Two year old funding entitles up to 15 hours of free childcare and early learning each week to some two-year-olds in Devon.

Parents can check their eligibility through the [Childcare Choices](#) website.

2-year-olds

A 2-year-old can get funded childcare if the parent/carer gets one of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- Universal Credit – if you and your partner have a combined income from work of less than £15,400 a year after tax
- Tax credits and has an annual income of under £16,190 before tax
- the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- support through part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act
- the Working Tax Credit 4-week run on (the payment you get when you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

Parents must check their eligibility for the entitlement to Early Years Funding for their 2-year-olds. Parents will need their National Insurance number, date of birth, name and child's details. Eligibility can be checked [online](#) or by phone: 0345 155 1013.

Or

A 2-year-old can also get funded childcare if any of the following apply

- they're looked after by a local council
- they have a current statement of [special education needs \(SEN\)](#) or an education, health and care (EHC) plan
- they get [Disability Living Allowance](#)
- they've left care under a special guardianship order, child arrangements order or adoption order

Parents and carers of children with additional needs, foster and adoptive parents should apply online and attach supporting evidence to their application.

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The government has extended eligibility for the most disadvantaged two year old children to include three additional groups of children from September 2019. The new groups of children to be entitled to a funded place are:

- Children of Zambrano Carers;
- Children of families with no recourse to public funds with a right to remain in the UK on grounds of private/family life under Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights;
- Children of a subset of failed asylum seekers (supported under section 4 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 – ‘the 1999 Act’)

The children of Zambrano Carers will be entitled if their parents meet similar low level income requirements to others eligible for the scheme (e.g. £15,400 net earnings threshold for families in receipt of Universal Credit). Similarly, we are extending the entitlement to children whose families have a right to be here on Article 8 grounds with no recourse to public funds and who meet the same criteria of economic disadvantage. We are also extending eligibility to children whose families receive support under section 4 of the 1999 Act because they are temporarily unable to leave the UK and would otherwise be destitute. As such, they satisfy the low income requirements to be eligible for the entitlement.

Parent and Carers of children that would fall in to one of the new categories should discuss applying for the two year old funding with the Early Years Entitlement Helpdesk on 01392 385530 or [eyef@devon.gov.uk](mailto:eyef@devon.gov.uk)

Children are eligible to receive the Early Years Funding from the start of the term after their 2nd birthday for a maximum of three funding periods.

Parents/carers cannot apply before the start of the funding period in which the child’s second birthday occurs.

Child born between	Entitled from
1 April and 31 August	Start of the Autumn funding period following their 2nd birthday
1 September and 31 December	Start of the Spring funding period following their 2nd birthday
1 January and 31 March	Start of the Summer funding period following their 2nd birthday

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