



Little Linchfield Pre-School

Application Form

(for both 15 and 30 hours places of government funded early education and childcare)

Thank you for your interest in a place at Little Linchfield Pre-School. Please return this form as soon as possible to secure your place.

You may be aware that the government is made changes to the Early Education and Childcare offer from September 2017. Currently, 3 and 4-year-old children are eligible for 570 hours of childcare a year – which at Little Linchfield Pre-School is broken down to 15 hours each week over 38 weeks of the year. The government confirmed that from September 2017 many working parents of 3 to 4 year olds in England will be eligible for 30 hours of free childcare - rather than the 15 hours.

Not every child will be eligible for the 30 hours but everyone will still receive the 15 hours free childcare that is currently available.

The eligibility rules for 30 hours free childcare are as follow:

- Both parents must be working - or the sole parent is working in a lone parent family
- Each parent earns, on average, a weekly minimum equivalent to 16 hours at National Minimum Wage or National Living Wage
- Each parent must have an annual income of less than £100,000
- You live in England

Parents on zero contract hours who meet the criteria are included in the entitlement criteria.

We look forward to receiving your application.

Mrs Sara Lowndes
Pre-School Teacher and Lead

The 30 Hour Early Education and Childcare Entitlement

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Will I qualify for 30 hours free childcare?

Parents of three and four year olds will need to meet the following criteria in order to be eligible for 30 hours free childcare:

- They earn or expect to earn the equivalent to 16 hours at National Minimum or Living Wage over the coming three months.
- This equates to £120 a week (or c.£6,000 a year) for each parent over 25 years old or £112.80 a week (or c.£5,800 a year) for each parent between 21 and 24 years old.
- This applies whether you are in paid employment, self-employed or on zero hours contract.
- The parent (and their partner where applicable) should be seeking the free childcare to enable them to work.
- Where one or both parents are on maternity, paternity, shared parental or adoption leave, or if they are on statutory sick leave.
- Where one parent meets the income criteria and the other is unable to work because they are disabled, have caring responsibilities or have been assessed as having limited capability to work.
- Where a parent is in a 'start-up period' (i.e. they are newly self-employed) they do not need to demonstrate that they meet the income criteria for 12 months.
- If a non-EEA national, the parent must have recourse to public funds.

Who will not qualify?

A parent will not meet the criteria when:

- Either parent has an income of more than £100,000
- Either parent is a non-EEA national and subject to immigration control (and has no recourse to public funds)

What happens if a parent loses eligibility?

- They will receive a "grace period" – this means they will be able to keep their childcare for a short period.
- Once the "grace period" has lapsed, the parent may be entitled to the universal 15 hour entitlement.

How do you apply for the 30 hours free childcare?

You'll be able to apply for both the 30-hour scheme and the Tax-Free Childcare scheme through a joint online application being developed by HMRC. This is because the eligibility requirements for both schemes are aligned.



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Application for academic year:		Date of Birth Range		Please tick
January 2021 (2020/21)		01/09/17 – 31/12/17		
April 2021 (2020/21)		01/01/18 – 31/03/18		
September 2021 (2021/22)		01/04/18 – 31/08/18		
January 2022 (2021/22)		01/09/18- 31/12/18		
April 2022 (2021/22)		01/01/19 – 31/03/19		
Name of child	First Name:		Surname:	
Date of birth	/ /		Gender	Male/Female
Address				
Postcode		Email address	Parent 1:	
			Parent 2:	
Telephone number	Home: _____ DOB: _____ Parent 1 Name: _____ Mobile: _____ Work: _____ Parent 2 Name: _____ DOB: _____ Mobile: _____ Work: _____			
Child's Country of birth		Child's Nationality		
Language(s) child speaks at home				
Name of Child's GP				
GP Practice Address				
Name of Health Visitor				
If there are any other professionals who are working or have worked with your child then please list them (e.g. Speech Therapist, Physiotherapist, Social Worker)				
Details of other children in the family				
Name of child	DoB	Present School		

Does your child already attend an early years setting or child-minder? Yes/No If so please give details		
Name of parents/carers		
Signature		
<i>Please also complete the following:</i>		
Is or has your child ever been in public care? **	Yes	No
Will your child be entitled to the Early Years Pupil Premium? ^		
Are you awaiting an assessment, diagnosis or any medical reports for your child?		
Please give details		
Are you in receipt of DLA* for this child?		
Please give details		

*** Section 22 Children Act 1989 states the general duty of the Local Authority in relation to children in public care. Children who are in the care of the Local Authority or who are provided with accommodation, for a continuous period of more than 24 hours, pursuant to any functions of a social services authority, are children in public care. Section 22 (3) imposes the duty on a Local Authority looking after a child to safeguard and promote their welfare and to make such use of services available for children cared for by their parents as appears to the authority to be reasonable in their case.*

^ Families will be entitled to Early Years Pupil Premium if a family is in receipt of one of the following benefits: Income Support, Income based Jobseekers Allowance, Income related Employment and Support Allowance, Child Tax Credit (providing you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190), Working Tax Credit Run-on, paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit, Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, The guaranteed element of State pension Credit Or if the child: Has been looked after by the local authority in care for at least one day, Has been adopted from care, Has left care through special guardianship, Is subject to a child arrangement order

**DLA – Disability Living Allowance*

Session Preference





Sessions

Please tick the session you would prefer to be offered when your child starts with us.

Little Linchfield Pre-School will be offering the following sessions:

All day £22

9.00am to 3.00pm Monday – Friday during term time

Morning £11

9.00am to 12.00pm Monday – Friday during term time

Afternoon £11

12.00 pm to 3pm Monday – Friday during term time

Children will need to bring a packed lunch or order a hot dinner from Farm Kitchens website if they are at the setting at 12pm.

Please Tick the sessions you would like.

1. I believe my child will be entitled to the 30 hours early years entitlement of Early Education and would like the full 30 hours entitlement (**9am –3pm Monday-Friday during term time**) at Little Linchfield Pre-School. ☐
2. I believe my child will be entitled to the 30 hours early years entitlement, but I will not be using the full 30 hour entitlement and will choose sessions. ☐
3. I believe my child will be entitled to 15 hours of Early Education and would like **9am-12pm Monday – Friday during term time** at Little Linchfield Pre-School. ☐
4. I believe my child will be entitled to 15 hours of Early Education and would like **12pm-3pm Monday – Friday during term time** at Little Linchfield Pre-School. ☐
5. I believe my child will be entitled to 15 hours of Early Education and would like **to choose sessions** at Little Linchfield Pre-School. ☐

If you would like to choose your own sessions, please

If you ticked **statement 2 or 5** then please choose your preferred session time from the options below and indicate which of these sessions will be funded or Fee paying:

	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
<i>All day 9am-3pm</i>					
<i>Morning 9am-12pm</i>					
<i>Afternoon 12pm-3pm</i>					