



EYPP Policy

Early Years Pupil Premium is available to specific children within Skylarks Community Preschool who are already in receipt of the three- and four-year-old funding entitlement and 2-year-olds in specific circumstances, whose families receive benefits such as Income Support, Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Universal Credit or Child Tax Credit.

It is an additional supplement and is used to enhance the opportunities and experiences for the individual child. It will be used in agreement with parents, who must give permission, to improve/ accelerate outcomes for their child.

Only children who claim Universal FE will be eligible for EYPP, however, they do not need to take up their full universal entitlement to receive it.

EYPP will be paid in proportion to the child's actual Universal FE hours.

Eligibility

To be eligible to meet the EYPP criteria, the family must be in receipt of at least one of the following:

1. Income Support
2. Income-Based jobseeker's allowance
3. Income-based Employment and Support Allowance
4. Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
5. The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
6. Child Tax Credit, provided they are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16190
7. Working Tax Credit run-on, which is paid for 4 weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
8. Universal Credit, if a parent is entitled to Universal Credit, they must have an annual net earned income equivalent to and not exceeding £7,400.
9. The child has been in local authority care for one day or more in England or Wales
10. The child has been adopted from care in England or Wales

Identifying eligible children

The DfE estimate that there are over 1300 children in West Sussex eligible for EYPP. Skylarks Community Preschool will gather the information required from parents in order for the local authority to check eligibility using the West Sussex County Council (WSCC) Parent Declaration form.

The information required is as follows:

- Parent/carer's full legal name
- Parent/carer's date of birth
- Parent/carer's National Insurance (NI) number or National Asylum Support Service (NASS) number
- Parent/carer has provided evidence that the child has been in local authority care for one day or more in England or Wales (if applicable)

- Parent/carer has provided evidence proving the child has been adopted from local authority care, left care through a special guardianship order or is subject to a child arrangements order (if applicable).

How we will use the EYPP funding

In line with the intended use of the EYPP, Skylarks Community Preschool will use the EYPP funding to enhance practice and provision through a variety of channels, spending may include:

- Arrangements to invest in CPD for staff who work directly with the children who have been approved funding in areas that will support the development and learning
- In house training to enhance quality staff interactions with children
- Educational Resources
- Enhanced provision in an identified area (based on the child) – i.e. the quality of provision for early language and literacy
- Extra sessions in the setting if we feel it would benefit the child.
- Activities to develop the child's learning/emotional development.
- External curriculum activities.
- Trips to sensory room.
- Resources for home learning.

Our setting will ensure that the EYPP reaches the groups of children for whom it is intended and that it makes a significant impact on their developmental outcomes. The EYPP will be used to provide additional resources and staff development to enable us to meet the needs of the child/ren it is intended for. We strive to offer the best possible outcomes for every child and the additional funding will help to facilitate this. We aim to address any underlying inequalities between the children who are eligible for EYPP and the rest of the children in the setting.

Working with parents and our key person approach

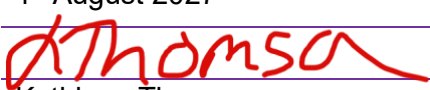
At Skylarks Community preschool, we pride ourselves on the relationships that we form with our parents. We want parents to be involved in the decisions that affect their children where possible, and for this reason we will endeavour to consult parents about any expenditure that uses the EYPP funding entitlement allotted to the child. Each child is assigned a key person. This person understands the individual needs of the child, and it is with their help that we will identify barriers and provide ideas that will help the children who receive EYPP benefit from this extra funding.

Monitoring the impact of EYPP funding

Monitoring the impact of the EYPP is especially important to ensure that it is being used to enhance provision and improve outcomes for the children.

The ways in which we monitor the children's progression in line with the EYPP funding are:

1. Using cohort trackers / planning sheets
2. Holding regular meetings with parents
3. Observations on the children
4. Regular meetings with any outside agencies
5. Regular conversations in house with the key workers and staff.

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Signed on behalf of the provider		
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Role of signatory (e.g. chair, director or owner)

Manager/Trustee

Date Reviewed	Changes	Signature