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YOUR CHILD MAY BE ENTITLED TO FREE NURSERY SESSIONS!

Dear parents / carers,

Thank you for your interest in our setting for your child's early education. We are writing to you today because your child may be entitled to funding, as part of the "funded 2 year olds" scheme. If eligible, your child will be entitled to have up to 15 hours a week (570 hours in a year) paid nursery sessions. You will be able to use these hours during the school term for up to 38 weeks.

You will qualify for these funded places if you meet any of the following criteria.

You must be getting one of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- support through part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act
- Child Tax Credit and/or Working Tax Credit and have an annual income under £16,190
- the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- the Working Tax Credit 4-week run on (the payment you get when you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Universal Credit

Children are also entitled to a place if:

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



If you meet any of these criteria and you would like funded sessions with us, you have to get a proof of entitlement. You can do this in two ways.

- If you would like to do it yourself, you can go onto “The Citizens Portal” where you will need to register and then follow the steps. This online system will then let you know if you are entitled to the funding for your child.

<https://emsonline.gloucestershire.gov.uk/CitizenPortal/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCitizenPortal>

- Alternatively you can give **The Family Information Service** a call and they can find out your entitlement for you.

01452 427362 or Freephone 0800 542 02 02

(calls to the Freephone number from a mobile may be charged at a higher rate)

If your child is entitled to funding as a two year old, you will be given a certificate of entitlement. We will need to see this letter before we can offer your child places with us.

If you are not entitled to this funding, please don't worry! Your child will stay on our waiting list and we will contact you directly, when they become eligible for a place with us. You don't need to do anything else at the moment.

If you have any questions, or would like some help, please do either phone, email or pop into Nursery and someone will be happy to help.

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