

Funded Early Education Funding places

When is my child eligible?

This table refers to children who are eligible for funding. More specifically:

- 9-23 month working parent entitlement – up to 15 hours per week starting from the term after their 9-month birthday. Apply through [Childcare Choices](#)
- 2-year-old working parent entitlement– up to 15 hours per week starting from the term after their 2nd birthday. Apply through [Childcare Choices](#)
- 3 & 4 year olds working parent entitlement – up to 30 hours per week starting from the term after their 3rd birthday. Apply through [Childcare Choices](#)
- 3 & 4-year-olds universal funding (children not eligible for working parent entitlement) – up to 15 hours per week starting from the term after their 3rd birthday. No application needed.
- 2-year-old 15 hours early learning funding for families in England receiving some additional forms of support – starting the term after their 2nd birthday. Apply through [Oxfordshire County Council](#)

Child born in	Child will turn 9 months in	Can get 15 hours from	Will turn 2 years old in	Can get 15 hours from	Will turn 3 years old in	Can get 15 or 30 hours from
January	October	Spring	January	Summer	January	Summer
February	November	Spring	February	Summer	February	Summer
March	December	Spring	March	Summer	March	Summer
April	January	Summer	April	Autumn	April	Autumn
May	February	Summer	May	Autumn	May	Autumn
June	March	Summer	June	Autumn	June	Autumn
July	April	Autumn	July	Autumn	July	Autumn
August	May	Autumn	August	Autumn	August	Autumn
September	June	Autumn	September	Spring	September	Spring
October	July	Autumn	October	Spring	October	Spring
November	August	Autumn	November	Spring	November	Spring
December	September	Spring	December	Spring	December	Spring

Spring term dates	1 st January – 31 st March
Summer term dates	1 st April – 31 st August
Autumn term dates	1 st September – 31 st December

Those children who have deferred their primary school place and remain in a nursery class can receive - up to 15 universal hours per week or an extended 15 hours if eligible for the working parent entitlement. If you are a school, you must make sure you identify in your MIS that the child's year group is adjusted. These children should not be included in your school census. Children can only be claimed up until compulsory school age (the term after their 5th birthday).

For further information on early education funding, please contact:

- ▶ Your child's nursery or pre-school
- ▶ Oxfordshire Families Information Service 01865 323332
- ▶ E-mail: Earlyeducation@Oxfordshire.gov.uk
- ▶ <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/public-site/early-years-education>