

Up to **30 hours FREE** childcare for working parents of 3&4 year olds

- Check if you are eligible at

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

Am I eligible?

You, and any partner, must each expect to earn (on average) at least £142 per week (equal to 16 hours at the National Minimum or Living Wage).

If you, or your partner, are on maternity, paternity or adoption leave, or you're unable to work because you are disabled or have caring responsibilities, you could still be eligible.

You **can't** get 30 hours free childcare if **either** you, or your partner, each **individually** expect to earn £100,000 or more.

When can my child start?

Your child can start in their childcare place the term after they turn 3 years old and have received a valid 30 hours code, **whichever is later**. Term start dates are 1st September, 1st January and 1st April.

To keep your 30 hours free childcare place you need to check your details are up to date every 3 months.

Please view the step by step guide on [how to use 30 hours free childcare](#)

What isn't covered?

The 30 hours free childcare offer is not intended to cover the costs of meals, other consumables (such as nappies or sun cream), additional hours or additional activities (such as trips). Providers may charge a fee for these additions. If you choose to pay for these it is an arrangement between you and the childcare provider. However, you must not be required to pay any fee as a condition of taking up a 30 hours place, and must be offered alternative options.

- Create a government gateway account to get your 11-digit eligibility code
- Bring your code to us at Woodpecker Hall Academy/Robin Hall Nursery
- HMRC Helpline 03001234097

If your child turns three between	They can take up FREE place from
1 April to 31 August	1 September (Autumn Term)
1 September to 31 December	1 January (Spring Term)
1 January to 31 March	1 April (Summer Term)