

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP)

From April 2015, children who are currently claiming the Free Entitlement for 3 and 4 year olds in Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames and London Borough of Richmond, who meet certain eligibility criteria, could be eligible for the Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP). The Early Years Pupil Premium is additional funding available for investment in improving outcomes for children. Children will be eligible if they are 3 or 4 years old and receiving Early Education Funding in any OFSTED registered childcare provider and their parents are in receipt of one or more of the following benefits:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (**provided 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
- Universal Credits

Or if they have been:

- looked after by the local authority for at least one day
- have been adopted from care
- have left care through special guardianship; and subject to a child arrangement order setting out with whom the child is to live (formerly known as residence orders)

### ***What is the Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP)?***

*The EYPP is a premium available to the childcare provider your child attends for their Free Entitlement for 3 and 4 year olds. The premium will be used to improve the facilities, equipment and learning experiences to benefit the growth and development of your child.*

### ***How do I receive the EYPP?***

*The EYPP is paid directly to your childcare provider as part of their normal funding claim.*

***What type of childcare provider is eligible to receive the EYPP?***

*Any OFSTED registered childcare provider can claim the EYPP if the parents/carers using their service for the Free Entitlement for 3 and 4 year olds are eligible*

***What do I need to do if I think my child may be eligible?***

*If you meet one or more of the eligibility criteria please complete the EYPP section on the parental declaration given to you by your childcare provider to claim early education funding for your 3 or 4 year old.*