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ATTENTION ALL PARENTS OF 3 AND 4 YEAR OLDS

All 3 and 4 year olds are entitled to 15 hours free childcare from the term after their 3rd birthday. From September 2017, the free entitlement was increased to **30 hours** per week for working parents.

To find out if you qualify and apply, go on-line to:

www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

(You can also apply for Tax Free Childcare on the same link)

To ensure you can claim 30 hours free childcare from **September 2020**, HMRC are encouraging parents to apply before the **end of August** at the latest, as any applications received after 31st August 2020 will **not be** eligible to claim the additional hours in September.

To be eligible for the additional 15 hours from September 2020, both parts of the criteria below must be met:

- The child must be 3 or 4 years old before **31st August 2020**; and
- Working parents must have applied for the additional hours and been issued with an eligibility code from the above website, **before 31st August 2020**

If you have any questions, speak to your childcare provider

(REMINDER – Parents who have already applied and are eligible for 30 hours are reminded that they **MUST re-confirm eligibility every 3 months, by logging into their government gateway account)**