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Wednesday 1st February 2017

Nursery Hours - 30 hours of Free Childcare for Working Parents

Dear Parents / Carers,

Please find attached information regarding 30 hours of funding for nursery children. If you are eligible, you are able to use your 30 hours funding with us, by sharing it with another provider, for example a child minder or Little Acorns.

Please speak to Mrs Threlfall for further information about 30 hours funding. Note that you must apply between 3rd and 19th February, and the offer is limited with first come, first served.

Kind regards,

Nicola Threlfall Head Teacher









Working parents with rural addresses could be eligible for 30 hours of free childcare for their 3 or 4 year old!

Applications will open on Friday 3rd February. There are a limited amount of places remaining for the term which begins 24th April 2017. Places will be offered on a first come first served basis linked to date and time of application. Applying and proving eligibility does not guarantee you will be able to access a place.

Checking eligibility is very easy; all you need to do is...

Ensure you meet the national economic eligibility criteria - families where both parents are working (or the sole parent is working in a lone-parent family) and each parent earns the equivalent of 16 hours a week at the national minimum or living wage and earns less than £100,000 a year. For further guidance visit https://goo.gl/RuxVQ0

Ensure you meet the local rural address criteria - Visit www.northumberland.gov.uk and type your post code into **My Place** (top right hand side of the home page) and click the Schools and Education subheading.

Please note: The schools that will be displayed are your catchment area schools, a full list of providers that deliver the entitlement, can be found at https://goo.gl/RuxVQ0

If you are eligible by address......

You will be given access to submit an application and declaration form. This **MUST** be submitted by **Sunday 19th February 2017.**

What will happen next.....

You will be contacted via email by **Friday 3rd March 2017** with regards to the success of your application and if appropriate details of any evidence of your eligibility we may require. If you require support please don't hesitate to contact Northumberland Families Information Service on 0800 023 4440 or 01670 623563.