

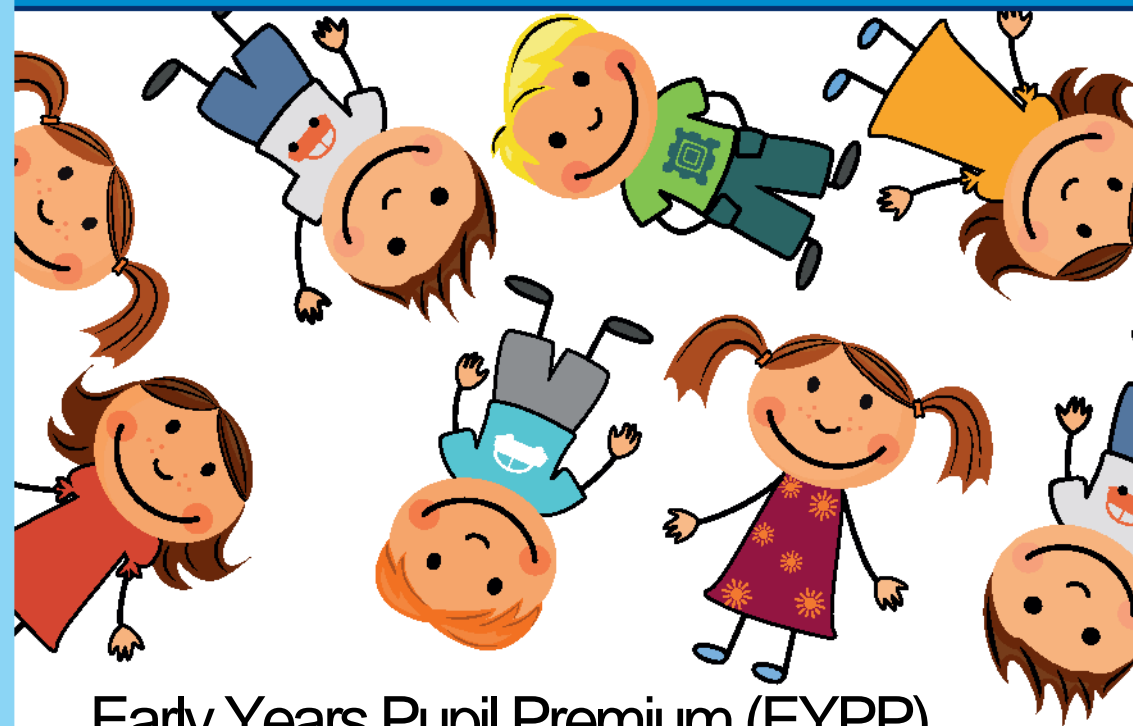
National data and research tells that children eligible for free school meals tend to do less well, for example in 2014 45% of children eligible for free school meals achieved the expected level at the end of the early years foundation stage compared with 64% of other children. The Early Years Pupil Premium will provide us with extra funding to close the gap.

Once your childcare provider has received the agreed amount of EYPP they can use this extra funding in any way they choose to improve the quality of early years education provided for your child. This could include for example additional training to further support staff working on specialised areas such as speech and language development.

It is well documented that high quality early education can influence how well a child does at both primary and secondary school so your childcare provider will want to make the most of this additional funding. You may be aware if you have older children that a pupil premium has been available for school age children for some time and it has proved to have given a real boost to the children receiving the funding. Your childcare provider will want to do the same for your child and all children in their care who are entitled to this funding.

Ask your childcare provider for an Early Years Pupil Premium Voluntary Registration Form.

Please note, all personal information that you provide will be held securely and will be used only for local authority purposes to administer EYPP.



Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP) A guide for parents



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From April 2015, children who are currently claiming the 3 and 4 year old free education entitlement could be eligible for the Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP). The Early Years Pupil Premium is additional funding used to improve a child's learning and development.



Will my child be eligible?

Children will be eligible if they are 3 or 4 years old and receiving Government funded free entitlement 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
- Free school meals and the EYPP - new 'Net earnings threshold of £7,400.

Or if they have been:

- Looked after by the local authority for at least a day
- Have been adopted from care
- Have left care through special guardianship
- Are subject to a child arrangement order (what used to be a residence order)
- In receipt of Disability Living Allowance (child) or is subject to an Education Health & Care Plan



What is the Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP)

The EYPP is extra funding that your child's childcare provider can claim to improve his/her learning development

How do I check if I am eligible for the Early Years Pupil Premium?

Your childcare provider will be able to check if your child is eligible for EYPP when they claim his/her free early education entitlement. You will just need to provide them with:

- Your surname
- National Insurance number
- Your date of birth
- NASS number (National Asylum Support Service) where applicable

How do I receive the EYPP?

You do not receive the EYPP funding, it is paid directly to your childcare provider as part of their normal funding claim with the local authority.



Who monitors how the childcare provider spends the money?

When your childcare provider is inspected by OFSTED, they will be asked to show evidence of how the money has been spent and the difference it has made to the children who have received EYPP funding. For further information please speak to your childcare provider.

What type of childcare provider is eligible to receive EYPP?

Any OFSTED registered childcare provider that meets the requirements of Shropshire Council's Free Entitlement Code of Practice can claim the EYPP if the parents/guardians using their service are eligible.

Where can I find more information on the Early Years Pupil Premium?

Speak to your childcare provider

