

Funding Factsheet

- The term after their 3rd birthday, ALL children are entitled to 15 hours per week childcare for 38 weeks of the year (Universal funding). For example, if your child turns 3 on 3rd March, they will be entitled to the funding from the Summer term onwards.
- We will provide a funding registration form which must be completed and returned to Little Dolphins in order for us to apply for the funding. Please ensure you complete the parent/guardian information in full in order that we can make the claim via the Lancashire County Council.
- The funding hours can only be used with an OFSTED registered provider.
- Some children are entitled to 30 hours funding per week (Extended funding). This is based on a number of factors such as if both parents are working, hours worked etc. More information can be found on the Government website: https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare
- You can apply to see if you are eligible for 30 hours funding via the above website.
- If you are entitled to 30 hours funding, an 11 digit code will be provided to you. Please pass this code to us to allow us to claim the Extended funding. Please note: The code will only be valid for funding in the term after it is claimed. For example, if you claim 2nd January 2020, this code will only become valid in the Summer Term 2020.
- Funding is available for some 2 year olds. Please visit https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/free-childcare-2-year-olds for more information.