



## Who is eligible for a 30 hour Nursery Place?

The 30 hours childcare, also called the extended free childcare entitlement, will be available to parents/carers of three and four-year-olds where:

- The child and parent are both residents (living) in the LA area, i.e. **pay council tax to the London Borough of Sutton.**
- Both parents are working (or sole parent in a lone parent family) and each parent/carer earns on average a weekly minimum equivalent to 16 hours at national minimum wage (NMW) for under 25 year olds or national living wage (NLW) if over 25 years old, and less than £100,000 per year.

Or

- Both parents are employed but one or both parents are temporarily away from the workplace on parental, maternity, paternity or adoption leave or statutory sick pay.
- One parent is employed & the other parent has substantial caring responsibilities based on specific benefits received for caring.
- One parent is employed, and one parent is disabled or incapacitated based on receipt of specific benefits.

### Additional Information:

- You do not need to actually work 16 hours per week, but your earnings must equal at least 16 hours work at minimum wage / national living wage. Please check the current minimum wage levels at <https://www.gov.uk/national-minimum-wage-rates> .
- A parent/carer will be eligible if they expect (on average) to earn this amount over the coming three months:
  - For example, for a parent/carer who is on a zero-hours contract, they will qualify if on average they work two weeks out of every three, and when they are working, they get 25 hours of work at the minimum wage.
- 'Parent' means a person who has parental responsibility for the child. In cases where a parent has remarried or is living with a partner, the step-parent or partner must also meet the earning threshold.
- Foster carers are only eligible for the extended entitlement for their own children (if they meet the criteria); they are not eligible for the children that they foster.
- Further information can be found at: [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk) and <https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare>
- Information on eligibility can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/check-eligible-free-childcare-if-youre-working>

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