

## Early Education Funding for 2, 3 and 4 Year Olds

**Please note: A signed parent authorisation form must be held by the setting before the actuals are submitted.**

For 2 year old funding child should be 2 years old by the following dates and can claim up until the end of the term in which they turn 3 years old:

For 3 year old funding child should be 3 years old by the following dates and can claim up until the end of the term in which they turn 5 or until the child starts in reception class in a maintained school whichever is soonest:

**Autumn term 2020**

**Spring term 2021**

**Summer term 2021**

**31st August 2020**

**31st December 2020**

**31st March 2021**

**30 hour codes must have a start date prior to the date above for the respective term and a grace period end date after the **funding term start date**. A child may not start a new setting during their grace period. Please see the [childcare choices website](https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/) for more info on funding entitlements.**

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

### Portal Dates for academic year 2020/2021

	Funding term start date	Funding term end date	Headcount date	Portal open for estimates	Portal closes for estimates	Portal open for actuals	Portal closes for actuals
<b>Autumn 2020</b>	1st Sept 2020	31st Dec 2020	1st Oct 2020	29th June 2020	17th July 2020	7th Sept 2020	2nd Oct 2020
<b>Spring 2021</b>	1st Jan 2021	31st Mar 2021	21st Jan 2021	23rd Nov. 2020	11th Dec 2020	2nd Jan. 2021	22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan 2021
<b>Summer 2021</b>	1st Apr 2021	31st Aug 2021	20th May 2021	1st Mar 2021	19th Mar 2021	26th Apr 2021	21st May 2021

### Number of weeks in each term academic year 2020/2021

	Number of funded weeks to claim each term.		
	Funded weeks per year = 33 weeks (minimum) to 38 weeks (maximum)		
Number of weeks open for childcare for the academic year	Autumn Term 2020	Spring Term 2021	Summer Term 2021
33	11	11	11
34	12	11	11
35	12	12	11
36	12	12	12
37	13	12	12
38 +	14	12	12
Claims should be up to a maximum of 15 hours universal and 15 hours extended in 0.25, 0.5, 0.75 or whole hours. A maximum claim of 10 hours is permitted for one day.			