

## 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 the child should be 2 years old by the following dates and can claim up until the end of the term in which they become 3 years of age:

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

**Autumn term 2021**

**Spring term 2022**

**Summer term 2022**

**31st August 2021**

**31st December 2021**

**31st March 2022**

**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 2021/2022

	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 2021</b>	1st Sept. 2021	31st Dec. 2021	7th Oct. 2021	1st July 2021	23rd July 2021	13th Sept. 2021	8th Oct. 2021
<b>Spring 2022</b>	1st Jan. 2022	31st Mar. 2022	20th Jan. 2022	29th Nov. 2021	10th Dec. 2021	3rd Jan. 2022	21st Jan. 2022
<b>Summer 2022</b>	1st Apr. 2022	31st Aug. 2022	19th May 2022	28th Feb. 2022	18th Mar. 2022	25th Apr. 2022	20th May 2022

### Number of weeks in each term academic year 2021/2022

	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 2021	Spring Term 2022	Summer Term 2022
33	11	11	11
34	12	11	11
35	12	11	12
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.		