



## Nursery Education Grant

Funded places for 2, 3 and 4 year olds

Advice, Guidance & Application

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Little Stars is an Ofsted Registered Provider and a member of the National Day Nurseries Association (NDNA)

## 3 & 4 Year Funding

### How does it work?

All children usually become eligible to receive NEG from the term after their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday, in accordance with the table below:

<b>A child born on or between:</b>	<b>Eligible for a free place from:</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> April – 31 <sup>st</sup> August	Start of the Autumn term following their 3 <sup>rd</sup> birthday
1 <sup>st</sup> September – 31 <sup>st</sup> December	Start of the Spring term following their 3 <sup>rd</sup> birthday
1 <sup>st</sup> January – 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Start of the Summer term following their 3 <sup>rd</sup> birthday

### What am I entitled to?

Your child is entitled to a maximum of 15 hours per week (term time only) of free Nursery education. All children receive the grant regardless of financial circumstances or nationality; therefore children of asylum seekers are eligible to receive the grant, however, the identity of each child must be confirmed in the form of a birth certificate. You can claim your NEG between two different nursery settings as long as no more than 15 hours are claimed in total – however, this must be in agreement with both nurseries prior to starting.

### For how long?

Each child is eligible for six terms funding in total until they reach statutory school age.

The funding is provided for 38 weeks per academic year (September – July)

Flexible delivery means the nursery should offer you care:

- Between 8am and 6pm (Sessions we offer with no extra cost are 9am to 12pm & 1pm to 4pm)
- The full entitlement (where required) of 15 hours over a minimum of 2 days
- In sessions of at least 2.5 hours
- By at most, two providers working together

**Please note – you are able to access the funding as follows:**

**10 hours in 1 day, 15 hours over 2 to 5 days**

The grant covers the cost of up to 5 x 3 hour sessions per week. Therefore if your child attends for one session per week we shall claim one fifth of the value towards your fees, if your child attends two sessions per week we shall claim two fifths of the value towards your fees and so on. A full day counts as two sessions.

### Extra Costs

If your child attends nursery during meal times there will be an extra charge:

Breakfast: £1.50

Lunch: £3.00

Tea: £2.00

Late pick up charge at the hourly rate of £5.00

## 2 Year Funding

**2 year funding is a new scheme and is not available to everyone. To claim 2 year funding a parent must be claiming one of the following:**

- Income Support
- Income-based Job Seekers 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
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not receiving Working Tax Credit or have an annual gross household income of no more than £16,190.

**Please note:**

If you or your spouse/partner are receiving Working Tax Credits, you will not be eligible for the free early education entitlement.

If eligible, the offer will start at the beginning of the term following the child's second birthday. The table below will demonstrate this:

<b>Child turns 2 years old between</b>	<b>Eligible from</b>
1 January - 31 March	Summer term (April)
1 April - 31 August	Autumn term (September)
1 September - 31 December	Spring term (January)

**2 year funding will not be accepted without a letter of confirmation from the local authority to confirm you meet the requirements.**

## Parental Declaration Form

(Please complete and return to nursery at least 4 weeks prior to the starting term)

**Name of Setting: Little Stars (Leicester) Ltd**

Name of Child: .....

Term: .....

Date of Birth of Child: .....

Number of NEG hours claimed at this setting only: .....

Number of NEG hours claimed at ANY OTHER setting: .....

Which other setting does your child attend (if any): .....

The Nursery Education Grant can be claimed for a maximum of 15 hours, for 38 weeks per year. These can be split between two settings, but you **MUST** inform **BOTH** settings of what you are claiming.

I have provided evidence of the identity and date of birth of my child to the setting. I understand that my child is not eligible to receive the grant unless a legitimate form of ID is seen by the setting (Birth Certificate).

**Special Educational Needs of Child** (please circle one of the following)

- None
- Early Years/School Action
- Early Years/School Plus
- Statement

**Ethnicity of Child** (please circle one of the following)

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|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| - African Asian                       | - Chinese                        |
| - Asian or Asian British, Bangladeshi | - Gypsy/Roma                     |
| - Asian or Asian British, Indian      | - Mixed, White and Asian         |
| - Asian or Asian British, Pakistani   | - Mixed, White and Black African |
| - Asian or Asian British, Any other   | - Mixed, White and Caribbean     |

- Black or Black British, African
- Black or Black British, Caribbean
- Black Somali
- Black or Black British, any other
- Traveller
- Other .....
- Mixed, any other
- White, British
- White, Irish
- White, any other
- Did not wish to be recorded

**DISCLAIMER - PLEASE NOTE** by completing this form and accepting a place for your child you agree to Little Stars sharing information about your child, including information from their tracker with the Local Authority and any other relevant bodies when deemed necessary.

Thank you