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# Expanding Early Learning and Childcare

A guide for parents and carers

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## What we mean by early learning and childcare expansion

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This is an exciting time of change in early learning and childcare. The Scottish Government has asked all councils to increase funded early learning and childcare (ELC) by 2020. This means more funded hours, more choice of where your child goes to nursery and more flexible models for ELC.

Just now every 3 and 4-year old and eligible 2-year old is entitled to 600 funded hours (just under 16 hours a week over 38 weeks). This will almost double to 1,140 funded hours from 2020.

This is a big change for everyone and we already have plans underway so we can meet the 2020 target.

Our aim is to offer families high quality, flexible, accessible and affordable early learning and childcare.

## What it means for you

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You will be entitled to 1,140 funded childcare hours a year if you have a 3 or 4-year old. This will be available the term after your child's third birthday. For example, if your child turns three in September they will get their funded hours from the following January.

Some 2-year olds will also be eligible for the funded hours. The criteria for 2-year olds is explained on page 5.

You will get your funded hours during school term time or across the whole year depending on the model provided by your ELC setting.

## When it will happen

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From August 2020, 1,140 funded hours will be available at ELC settings and childminders working in partnership with the Council.

We're already offering 1,140 hours at some of our early learning and childcare settings and we will continue to add to this number until 2020.

When your nursery is going to start offering 1,140 hour funded places they will send you information about your options.

## **How we will deliver the increase in hours**

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There are several ways we will deliver 1,140 hours and the tables at the end of this document give you an idea of how different nurseries can provide the 1,140 hours. You'll see from these that there are more options and there is a lot more flexibility. Some examples include:

- Settings increasing their opening hours or extending the number of weeks they're open in the year
- nursery half day and Forest Kindergarten for half a day
- attend nursery in the morning and a childminder in the afternoon
- attend a childminder in partnership with the Council\*.

\*We are currently promoting the opportunity for childminders to work in partnership with the Council.

## **What if my child lives in another local authority area?**

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If your child goes to an Edinburgh nursery but lives in another council's area, you will be entitled to 1,140 funded hours from 2020. Until then, you will continue to get your 600 funded hours.

## **Will my child have to take up the full 1,140 hours?**

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You may prefer not to take the full 1,140 hours and some settings will be able to give you less than this.

There may be a high demand in some areas for 1,140 hours which means we will be unable to offer reduced hours.

## **Can my child attend nursery for more than the funded 1,140 hours?**

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You may be able to pay for more hours depending on available places. We will prioritise giving children their 1,140 hours first and your nursery can tell you if they can offer extra hours.

## **Will meals or snacks be provided?**

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Children who move to 1,140 hours will be entitled to a funded meal if their session is longer than four hours. Settings will also provide snacks and parents may be asked to contribute to the cost of this.

## **Is my 2-year old eligible for a funded nursery place?**

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Your 2-year old may be entitled to a funded place if you receive one or more of these benefits:

- income support
- income based Jobseekers Allowance
- income based Employment and Support Allowance
- Incapacity Benefit or Severe Disablement Allowance
- State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit but not Working Tax Credit with annual household income below £16,105
- both maximum Child Tax Credit and maximum Working Tax Credit with annual household income below £6,420
- support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Universal Credit\* with monthly household earned income of £610 per month or below (based on equivalent of £7,320 per year)

Or if your child is:

- looked after
- under a kinship care order
- living with a parent-appointed guardian.

\*Universal Credit will start to be introduced in Edinburgh for new claimants and claimants with a change of circumstances from November 2018.

## **What if my child has an additional support need?**

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Funded hours are available for all 3 and 4-year olds and eligible 2-year olds. We will continue to help children with additional support needs and staff at your nursery will give you advice on the type of support that is available.

Children may need support if:

- they're on the child protection register
- they're looked after or looked after and accommodated
- they're a young carer
- they're deaf or visually impaired
- they have a disability
- English is an additional language
- they have social, emotional or behavioural needs.
- their parents are abusing substances
- mum is pregnant or a young mum.

## **Further information**

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We will update you regularly throughout the change to 1,140 hours through your local ELC setting and our website. To find out what's available near you, contact your local nursery first.

You can find out more about early learning and childcare in Edinburgh, including nurseries near you, choosing and applying for nursery and the criteria for 2-year olds at [www.edinburgh.gov.uk/earlyyears](http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/earlyyears)

Appendix 1		2-year olds	3-5-year olds	SESSION PATTERN	
LOCALITY	SETTING	Number of 1140 places available this session 2018/19	Number of 1140 places available this session 2018/19	Term Time	Year Round
North East Locality	Abbeyhill Primary School		48	Monday to Thursday 9am to 15.30 / Friday 9am to 13.00  Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 16.00	
	Broughton Primary School		48	Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 15.00 / Friday 8.30am to 12.30pm	
	Brunstane		48	Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 15.10 Friday 8.30am to 11.50am	
	Castleview Primary School		30	Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 15.00 Friday 8.30am to 12.30pm  from January 2019	
	Craigmillar Early Years Centre	20	20	Monday to Friday 9am to 15.00 for (2-year olds)	Monday to Thursday 9am to 14.35 (3-5-year-olds)
	Forbes Nursery - Claremont		10		51 weeks – 22hrs 20 minutes per week
	Greendkyes Early Years Centre		25	Monday to Friday 9am to 15.00	

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		Number of 1140 places available this session 2018/19	Number of 1140 places available this session 2018/19	Term Time	Year Round
	Greengables		48	Monday to Friday 9am to 15.00	
	Kidzcare - Portobello	1	9	Monday to Friday 13.00 to 17.30	
	Lorne Primary School		8	Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 15.15 Friday 8.30am to 11am	
	Moffat Early Years Campus		90	Monday to Friday 8.30am to 14.30 (additional hours can be purchased)	Monday to Friday 8.30am to 13.05 (additional hours can be purchased)
	Stanwell Nursery School		48	Monday to Friday 8.30am to 14.30	
<b>North West Locality</b>	Blackhall Nursery		10	Monday to Friday 8.35 to 14.35	
	Cramond Nursery Class blended model with Forest Kindergarten at Lauriston Castle		15	Monday to Thursday – AM or PM session	



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	Craigroyston Nursery Class blended model with Forest Kindergarten at Cammo		15	TBC	
	Dalmeny Nursery Class		20	Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 15.00 / Friday 8.30am to 12.30	
	Dalmeny Nursery Class blended model with Childminder		4	AM Nursery / PM Childminder AM Childminder / PM Nursery	
	Davidson's Mains Primary School		40	Monday to Thursday 8.40 to 15.10 / Friday 8.40am to 12.40pm Monday to Friday 8.40am to 11.50am Monday to Friday 12pm to 15.10	
	Echline Primary School blended model with Forest Kindergarten at Cammo			TBC	
	Ferryhill Nursery	15	64	Monday to Friday 9am to 15.30	

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		Number of 1140 places available this session 2018/19	Number of 1140 places available this session 2018/19	Term Time	Year Round
	Fort Early Years Centre	30	45	Monday to Friday 9am to 15.00	50 weeks – 8am to 12.32pm (option to buy additional hour to 16.00)
	Fox Covert EYC		12		Monday to Friday 8am to 12.32
	Granton Early Years Centre		36	Monday to Friday 9am to 15.00	
	Gylemuir Primary School	15		Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 15.30 / Friday 8.30am to 12.30	
	Hillwood		20	Monday to Thursday 8.45am to 15.15 / Friday 8.45am to 12.45pm	
	Leaps and Bounds - Barnton		10		51 weeks – 2 x 10-hour days + 12 flexi days
	North Edinburgh Childcare		10		50 weeks – Monday to Friday (22hrs 40mins per week)
	Orchard Nursery - Kirkliston		10		51 weeks – Monday to Friday (22hrs 20mins per week)

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	Queensferry Early Years Centre	30			46 weeks – Monday to Friday 9am to 14.00
	Queensferry Nursery Class		48	Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 15.00 Friday 8.30 to 12.30	
	Roseburn Primary School		30	Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 15.30 Friday 8.30am to 11.30	
	Childminders – Queensferry High School Cluster	TBC	TBC		
<b>South East Locality</b>	Cameron House	5	20	Monday to Friday 9am to 15.00	
	Cranley Nursery - Buckstone		10		51 weeks – Monday to Friday AM/PM sessions (4.5hrs)
	Gilmerton Early Years Centre		24		46 weeks – Monday to Friday 9am to 14.00

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	Hope Cottage		40	Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 15.30 / Friday 8.30am to 11.30am	
	Liberton Nursery School		60	Monday to Friday 8.30am to 14.30	
	Pinocchio's Nursery - Gilmerton	2	8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 x5 hour sessions plus an additional 10-hour session per week</li> <li>• 3 x 10-hour sessions per week</li> <li>• 2 x 10-hour sessions plus 2 x 5-hour sessions per week</li> </ul>	50 weeks – 2 x 9hr sessions and 1 x 5hr sessions per week
	Prestonfield		40	Monday to Thursday 9am to 15.00 / Friday 8.30am to 12.30pm	
	Royal Mile Primary School	10	40	Monday to Thursday 9am to 15.30 / Friday 9am to 13.00	
	Spinney Lane Nursery School		40	Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 16.00	
	St Leonards		56	Monday to Friday 8.30am to 14.30	

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	Tollcross Early Years Campus	15	40	Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 3pm and 8.30am to 12.30pm on a Friday	
	Viewforth Early Years Centre	30	40	Monday to Friday 8.30am to 14.30	50 weeks – Monday to Thursday 9am to 14.40
<b>South West Locality</b>	Canalview		64	Monday to Thursday 8.45am to 15.30 / Friday 8.45am to 12.15pm	
	Clovenstone Primary School		60	Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 15.00 Friday 8.30am 12.15	
	Dalry Primary School		56	Monday to Friday 8.30am to 15.00	
	Dean Park Primary School		8	Monday to Friday 8.30am to 15.00	
	Hailesland Early Years Centre	20	20		50 weeks – Monday to Thursday 8.45am to 13.45 / Friday 8.45am to 12pm
	Jigsaw Nursery - Balerno	2	8	3 days (10 hours per day)	

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	Lanark Road Nursery	2	8		51 weeks – 2 x 10-hour days + 12 flexi days
	Longstone Primary School	15	40	Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 15.30 / Friday 8.30am to 12.30	
	Ratho Primary School – Cliftonhall Forest Kindergarten		15	Monday to Thursday – AM or PM session	
	Sighthill Early Years Centre	30		Monday to Friday 8.30am to 14.30	50 weeks – Monday to Thursday 9am to 14.30
	Smilechildcare		10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monday to Thursday 8am to 13.00 plus an additional full day</li> <li>Monday to Thursday 13.00 to 16.00 plus an additional full day</li> <li>2 full days 8am to 18.00 plus 2 AM or PM sessions</li> </ul>	50 weeks – 2 full days, plus 2.5 hours per week
	St Mark's		32	Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 15.00 / Friday 8.30 to 12.30pm	

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	Stenhouse Early Years Centre		15	Monday to Friday 8.30am to 14.30	50 weeks – Monday to Thursday 9am to 14.30
	Tynecastle Nursery Class		32	Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 15.00 From January 2019	
	Childminders – Balerno High School Cluster	TBC	TBC		

## Appendix 2

From August 2019 we will begin increasing the opening hours in some local authority settings across the city. We are proposing settings will open from 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday: -

North East Locality	North West Locality	South East Locality	South West Locality
Craigmillar Early Years Centre	Granton Early Years Centre	Viewforth Early Years Centre	Stenhouse Early Years Centre
Greendykes Early Years Centre	Fox Covert Early Years Centre	Tollcross Early Years Centre	Hailesland Early Years Centre
Moffat Early Years Campus	Queensferry Early Years Centre	Gilmerton Early Years Centre	Sighthill Early Years Centre
	Fort Early Years Centre	Cowgate Under 5's	

Additionally, from August 2019, the following settings in partnership with the local authority will be invited to provide 10 funded places at 1140 hours.

*Please note that places are allocated based on the current Edinburgh Council admissions policy.*

North East Locality	North West Locality	South East Locality	South West Locality
Bright Horizons - Annandale	Arbor Green	Arcadia	Bright Horizons – Morton Mains
Bright Horizons – Elsie Inglis	Blackhall	Blossom Tree	Bright Sparks – Murrayfield
Brighton Nursery	Bonnington House	Bright Horizons – Bruntsfield	City Nursery
Cherrytrees Nursery	Bright Horizons – Cramond	Bruntsfield Community Nursery	Colinton Private
Cosy Cottage	Bright Horizons – RBS Gogarburn	Busy Bees Nursery	Cranley Nursery – Colinton
Edinburgh Nursery	Busy Bees – Edinburgh Park	Busy Bees – Port Hamilton	Cranley Nursery – Craiglockhart
Forbes – Claremont	Busy Bees – Newhaven	Carebears	Cranley Nursery – Lanark Road
Head Start (Leith)	Chapter One – Douglas Gardens	Chapter One – Kirk Brae	Currie Children's Nursery
Heriothill	Claylands	Childsplay	Currie Playgroup
Highland Fling	Corstorphine	Corner House – South Gailsland	Dreghorn Pre- School Group
Kidzcare Portobello	Crew Road	Corner House – Spylaw	Fairmile House
Meadows at Pilrig	Doune Terrace	Cranley – Buckstone	Jigsaw Nurseries Ltd



North East Locality	North West Locality	South East Locality	South West Locality
Northfield/Willowbrae	Early Days Nursery	Edinburgh Montessori Arts School	Lanark Road
Rocking Horse	Edinburgh Day Nursery (Asquith)	Forbes - Bruntsfield	Little Monkeys – Craiglockhart
Seabeach	Edzell Nursery	Forbes – Greenhill	Melville House
	Flying Colours	Greenbank pre-school	Murrayfield
	Jigsaw Childcare	Holy Corner Community Playgroup	Pinocchio's Nursery – Heriot Watt
	Leaps and Bounds - Barnton	Kidzcare – Norwood House	Smilechildcare
	Leaps and Bounds - Kirkliston	Kidzcare - Grange Loan	
	Little Flyers	Little Learners	
	Little Monkeys – Cramond	Little Monkeys - Kilmaurs	
	Melville Street	Meadows	
	Montessori Nursery School	Morningside Children's Nursery	
	New Town	Newington	
	New Town Too	ONE at Mother Goose	
	Nippers – Kirkliston	Pinocchio's – Gilmerton	
	Nippers - Queensferry	Priestfield House	
	North Edinburgh Childcare	Rainbow's Kindergarten	
	Orchard – Kirkliston	Stepping Stones	
	Orchard – Inverleith	Strawberry Hill	
	Peek a Boo	St Margaret's	
	Summerside Kindergarten		
	Tom Thumb		
	Trinity Tots		
	Victoria Quay		
	Walker Street		

	Waterfront		
	Wee Gems - Corstorphine		
	Wester Coates		