

Dear

Early Years Pupil Premium

I have recently checked with the Department for Education Eligibility Checking Service (ECS) and unfortunately they have been unable to confirm your entitlement to the Early Years Pupil Premium.

This could be because:

- You or your partner are not eligible for the Early Years Pupil Premium. The qualifying benefits are:
 - Income Support;
 - Income Based Jobseekers Allowance (not Contribution Related);
 - Employment and Support Allowance Income Related (not Contribution Related);
 - Guaranteed Element of the State Pension Credit;
 - Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999;
 - Child Tax Credit with an annual taxable income (as assessed by HMRC) of less than £16,190 as long as you do not receive Working Tax Credit;
 - three and four year old children that have been adopted, or who have left care through special guardianship or residence orders or
 - three and four year old children who are Looked After by the Local Authority.
- You have reapplied for an existing benefit or for a new qualifying benefit in the last few weeks and your details are not yet on the Department for Education ECS database of eligible claimants.
- Your personal details do not match that of the ECS.

I have therefore been unable to authorise the Early Years Pupil Premium for your child so the nursery provider that your child attends will not receive any additional funding.

This will not affect your Early Years Entitlement (3&4 year old funding) claim.

If you feel you are entitled to the Early Years Pupil Premium, please contact the helpline on 0300 1232224 so that we can investigate further. It may be necessary to ask you to send evidence that you receive a qualifying benefit.

Yours sincerely