**Twos Provision across Aberdeenshire**

**Academic Year 2016/17**

Under the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014, two year old children who fit the eligibility criteria will be entitled to 600 hours of early learning and childcare. This entitlement is over a minimum of 38 weeks and for a minimum of two and half hours and a maximum of eight hours per day.

Parents and carers of children who may be eligible have to apply directly to the Early Years team at Woodhill House, as admissions for twos is currently held centrally. Forms are available from a variety of sources e.g. Health Visitors, DWP, Libraries and Benefit Offices. Families can also access forms by emailing the Early Years Team at - [earlyyears@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:earlyyears@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)

These forms are then sent to the appropriate agency to ensure eligibility. Once this information is received by the Early Years team the child will be offered a space in the nearest setting available at that time.

Criteria for eligibility is as follows:-

Children identified through Social Work:–

* Looked after and Accommodated
* Under a kinship order
* Under a guardianship order

Children identified through the benefits system:-

* Income Support
* Job Seekers Allowance (Income Based)
* Any Income related element of Employment and Support Allowance
* Incapacity or Severe Disablement Allowance (parent)
* State Pension Credit
* Child Tax Credit (CTC) but not Working Tax Credit and your income is less than £16,105
* Both maximum CTC and maximum Working Tax Credit and your income is under £6,420
* Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
* Universal Credit.

Local Authority settings offer daily sessions of 3 hours 10 minutes over a 38 week period. Partner providers in private nurseries offer a variety of sessions including 8 hours over two days, 4 hours over four days and 5 hours over three days. This is to give flexibility of provision for parents who may be looking for wrap round care.

All children are entitled to free Lunches if they attend early learning and childcare provisions over the lunchtime period. This not only includes two year olds but also three and four year olds who would be eligible for free school meals if they attended school. Application forms for free lunches are available by emailing the [earlyyears@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:earlyyears@aberdeenshire.gov.uk) inbox.

Below is a list of settings currently able to provide early learning and childcare for two year olds. This is not exhaustive and will be extended as more provisions come on stream.

| **Cluster** | **Setting** | **No of Spaces** | **CI Variation** |
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| **Aboyne** | **Aboyne Primary School (Jan 2017)** | **5** | **No** |
| **Ballater Primary School** | **5** | **Yes** |
| Lumphanan Pre School Playgroup |  | Yes |
| The Sunshine Nursery |  | Yes |
| Tarland Playgroup (2 yrs 10 mths) |  | Yes |
| Torphins Playgroup |  | Yes |
| **Alford** | **Tullynessle Primary School** | **5** | **Yes** |
| Alford Day Nursery |  | Yes |
| Alford Playgroup (2yrs 6 mths) |  | Yes |
| Alford Primary School (New Build) | 5 | No |
| Monymusk Playgroup (2 yrs 6 mths) |  | **Yes** |
| **Banchory** | **Banchory Primary School** | **4** | **Yes** |
| Celtic Cross Nursery |  | Yes |
| **Drumoak Primary School** | **5** | Yes |
| **Hill Of Banchory School (Aug 2016)** | **5** | **No** |
| Woodlands Nursery |  | Yes |
| **Banff** | **Macduff Primary School** | **10** | Yes |
| Banff Playgroup |  | Yes |
| Lillies Kindergarten |  | Yes |
| Gardenstown Playschool |  | Yes |
| Whitehills Playgroup (2yrs 6 mths**)** |  | Yes |
| **Ellon** | **Newburgh Mathers Primary School** | **10** | **Yes** |
| **Ellon Primary School (Aug 2016)** | **5** | **Imminent** |
| Auchterellon Under 5’s |  | Yes |
| Banbury Cross Nursery |  | Yes |
| Stepping Stones Nursery |  | Yes |
| **Ellon Academy Creche – ASN only** | **2** | **Yes** |
| Gordon Park Playgroup |  | Yes |
| Newburgh Playgroup |  | Yes |
| **Fraserburgh** | **St Andrews Primary School** | **1 x 15** | **Yes** |
| Auld Kirk Nursery |  | Yes |
| Kiddiwinks Nursery |  | Yes |
| Peekaboo Nursery |  | Yes |
| Playbarn Too |  | Yes |
| Westfield School |  | Yes |
| **Huntly** | **Deveron Centre Pop up** | **10** | **Yes** |
| Annies Nursery |  | **Yes** |
| The Kindergarten |  | Yes |
| **Inverurie** | **Kellands Primary School** | **10** | **Yes** |
| Flowerpots Childcare |  | Yes |
| Les Enfants Nursery |  | Yes |
| Newmachar Playgroup (2 yrs 6 mths) |  | Yes |
| Stepping Stones Nursery |  | Yes |
| Summers Nursery |  | Yes |
| **Kemnay** | **Alehousewells Primary School** | **10** | **Yes** |
| Cherry Tree Pre-school |  | Yes |
| Kinellar Stars |  | Yes |
| Wee Rascals, Kintore |  | Yes |
| **Laurencekirk** | **Auchenblae Primary School** | **5** | **Yes** |
| Auchenblae Pre-school |  | Yes |
| Lathallan Nursery |  | Yes |
| Poppies Pre School |  | Yes |
| **Meldrum** | **Rothienorman Primary School** | **5** | **Yes** |
| Rothienorman Pre-school |  | Yes |
| Methlick Under Fives (2 yrs 6 mths) |  | Yes |
| Old Rayne Playgroup (2 yrs 6 mths) |  | Yes |
| Pitmedden Playgroup |  | Yes |
| Tarves Playgroup (2 yrs 6 mths) |  | Yes |
| Udny Station Pre-School Playgroup |  | Yes |
| Hoodles Nursery |  | Yes |
| **Mintlaw** | Mintlaw Primary School |  | No |
| Pitfour Primary School |  | No |
| Maud Playgroup |  | Yes |
| **Mintlaw Pop--Up Nursery** | **5** | **Yes** |
| Strichen Playgroup (2 yrs 6 mths) |  | Yes |
| Stuartfield Playgroup (2yrs 6 mths) |  | Yes |
| St Kanes Pre-School |  | Yes |
| **Peterhead** | **Boddam Primary School** | **5** | **Yes** |
| **Dales Park Primary School** | **8** | **Yes** |
| **Meethill Primary School** | **10** | **Yes** |
| **Peterhead Central Primary School** | **5** | **Yes** |
| Bright Beginnings |  | Yes |
| Bouys and Gulls |  | Yes |
| Pride N Joy (Peterhead) Ltd |  | Yes |
| First Class Nursery |  | Yes |
| Stepping Stones Nursery |  | Yes |
| **Portlethen** | **Portlethen Early Years Setting** | **10** | **Yes** |
| Chapel of Elsick Nursery |  | Yes |
| Great Western Pre-School (Portlethen)1 |  | Yes |
| Great Western Pre-School (Portlethen)2 |  | Yes |
| **Stonehaven** | **Mill O’Forest Primary School** | **5** | **Yes** |
| Lathallan Nursery |  | Yes |
| Means Pre-School Playgroup (Drumlithie) |  | Yes |
| Simpsons Playhouse |  | Yes |
| The Croft Nursery |  | Yes |
| **Turriff** | **Fyvie Primary School** | **5** | **Yes** |
| Auchterless Playgroup |  | Yes |
| Busy Bees Playgroup |  | Yes |
| Crudie Pre-School Playgroup |  | Yes |
| Fyvie Playgroup (2 yrs 6 mths) |  | Yes |
| Monquhitter Playgroup, Cuminestown (2yrs 6 mths) |  | Yes |
| Turriff Pre-School Playgroup |  | Yes |
| **Westhill** | **Westhill Primary School** | **5** | **Yes** |
| Denman Playgroup (2yrs 6 mths) |  | Yes |
| Kirkton of Skene Playgroup (2yrs 6 mth |  | Yes |
| Scout Hall Playgroup (2yrs 6 mths) |  | Yes |
| The Bridges |  | Yes |