

AfC RBWM Early Education Funding Rates Financial Year 2026 - 2027

Summer Term 2026 to Spring Term 2027 inclusive

	Criteria	Weightings	Indicative Rates 9 Months to 2 Year Old	Indicative Rates 2 Year Old	Indicative Rates 3 & 4 Year Old	
Base Rate per hour			£11.85	£8.67	£6.10	
Funding Supplements	Deprivation	High >49% children in Acorn 3, 4 or 5	100%	£0.63	£0.46	£0.33
		Med 25%-49% children in Acorn 3, 4 or 5	67%	£0.38	£0.28	£0.20
		Low 10%-24% children in Acorn 3, 4 or 5	33%	£0.25	£0.18	£0.13
	Qualification of staff	High 75% + of staff at Level 3 or above	100%	£0.63	£0.46	£0.33
		Med 50%-74% of staff at Level 3 or above	60%	£0.38	£0.28	£0.20
		Low Staff at Level 2 or not meeting above	40%	£0.25	£0.18	£0.13

ACORN is a classification tool that segments the UK population by analysing demographic data into 5 categories - categories 3, 4 & 5 are the most disadvantaged

Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP) - £1.15 per hour on the first 570 hours of funded childcare for children whose families meet the eligibility criteria and are confirmed as eligible by the Local Authority

Disability Access Fund (DAF) - £975 per annum for eligible children (awarded Disability Living Allowance (DLA) and have a valid DLA letter) accessing the first 570 hours of funded childcare

