Funded Education for 3 year olds

If your child has their 3rd birthday before August 31st, 2026, there are some important dates for school admissions that you need to be aware of.

If your child's third birthday falls between September 1st and December 31st, you can apply for the **January 2026** intake of Funded Early Education <u>and</u> for a September 2026 Nursery place. FEE applications open on September 1st and should be submitted by **October 24th**.

If your child's third birthday falls between January 1st and March 31st, you can apply for the **April 2026** intake of Funded Early Education <u>and</u> for a September 2026 Nursery place. FEE applications open on November 3rd and should be submitted by **December 19th**.

For all children whose 3rd birthday falls before August 31st, you can apply for a September **2026 Nursery** place. Nursery applications open on January 6th and should be submitted by **February 16th**.

To find out more information and to apply, scan the QR code or visit www.wrexham.gov.uk/school-admissions

If your child is eligible for both Funded Early Education and Nursery, you will need to make two **separate** applications. Securing a Funded Early Education place does not guarantee a Nursery place at the same school, and securing a Nursery place does not guarantee a full time Reception place at the same school the following year. Each phase of education requires a new application, and each year the available places are allocated in line with the admissions policy on our website. It is very important to apply on time because late applications are considered after applications that we receive on time.

If you are employed or in education, you could also be eligible for the Childcare Offer for Wales. This offer provides a combined 30 hours of education and childcare provision. You should apply to School Admissions for the education element of this offer (Funded Early Education, Nursery or both). Eligible parents can then make a separate application for the childcare element of the offer. You can find out more about this offer by visiting www.wrexham.gov.uk/childcare-offer-wales

