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Dear parents/carers,

As you may be aware, some families from September 2017 may be eligible for 30 hours' childcare for three year olds, rather than the current 15.

In order to help our planning for September, it would be useful for us to know if there is demand for 30 hours provision. Therefore we are requesting that you complete the questionnaire below and return to school before we break up for the Easter holidays.

Are you eligible?

30 hours for working families

- Each parent or the single parent in a lone parent household will need to expect to earn the equivalent of 16 hours at the national living wage or their national minimum wage rate over the forthcoming quarter;
- Where one or both parents are in receipt of benefits in connection with sickness or parenting, they are treated as though they are in paid work;
- Where one parent (in a couple household) is in receipt or could be entitled to be in receipt of specific benefits related to caring, incapacity for work or limited capability for work that they are treated as though they are in paid work;
- Where a parent is in a 'start-up period' (i.e. they are newly self-employed) they do not need to demonstrate that they meet the income criteria for 12 months in order to qualify for the extended entitlement;
- If either or both parents' income exceeds £100,000 they will not be eligible for the extended entitlement.

After 7th April when we would like the forms returned, we will calculate if the feedback means this is financially viable for us to provide this offer.

During the next stage, parents will apply online and will be given an eligibility code. We will write again to explain further if we are able to provide additional childcare/nursery facilities for nursery aged children.

Please complete questionnaire over the page



Child's Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Telephone Number _____

Would you be eligible for the 30 hours? (eligibility criteria is overleaf)	Yes/No
If yes, how many hours would you use?hours
Would you use more than one provider?	Yes/ No
Would you still use informal (unpaid/family carers) childcare?	Yes/No
Do you want childcare near home or work?	Home/Work
What kind of childcare would you prefer?	Childminder/Private or voluntary Nursery/School
What time would you like to access your childcare?	Start time: Finishing time:
Term - time only or all year round?	Term time/ All year

At Askam Village School, we already have breakfast (8-9am) and after-school provision (3-5pm) in addition to our Nursery provision 9-12.

It would be helpful to know how you would use 30 hours (if eligible).

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast club					
Nursery 9-12					
Lunchtime					
Afternoon sessions 1-3pm					
After-school club 3-5pm					

Yours sincerely,

Mrs F Newton
Headteacher

