Rechecking your childcare funding code

If you're using funding to help with the cost of your little one's nursery place, you're already making a brilliant choice. But did you know it's really important to recheck your childcare funding code regularly? It might sound a bit technical, but keeping on top of this simple step means you won't miss out on the funding you're entitled to, and your child's nursery place won't be interrupted.

Why You Need to Recheck Your Childcare Funding Code Regularly

The government requires parents to reconfirm their eligibility every few months, usually every three months, to make sure the funding is still valid. This is called "rechecking" your childcare funding code.

If you don't recheck on time, your code can expire or become invalid, and that means your nursery funding could stop. This can lead to unexpected costs or even your child's place being at risk, which is stressful for everyone.

By staying on top of rechecking your code, you keep your funding active and secure, giving you peace of mind and keeping your child's nursery experience running smoothly.

How to Check and Reconfirm Your Childcare Funding Eligibility

Rechecking your childcare funding eligibility is easier than it sounds. Here's a quick guide:

1. Set a reminder: You'll get a notification from HMRC or your local authority about when to recheck. Mark this date clearly in your diary or phone calendar.
2. Log in online: Visit the official government website where you applied for your funding, usually the HMRC childcare service portal.
3. Confirm your details: Follow the prompts to verify your income, working hours, and other eligibility requirements.
4. Receive a new code: If you still qualify, you'll get a new childcare funding code to share with your nursery.

Remember, it's usually every three months that you need to do this, so keep an eye out for reminders.