**Early Years Bursary application form**

We know from our conversations with Early Years settings that the biggest barrier to physical activity is a lack of funding and resourcing. Our Early Years Bursary Scheme is available to Early Years settings to improve physical activity opportunities for under 5’s in a fun and accessible way, based on individual and community needs.   
  
Projects can also tackle wider social outcomes such as school readiness, and social and communication development, but increasing physical activity must be the main focus.

Applicants must state how the funding would support a sustainable, long-term benefit to the children in their setting.

Strong applications contributing to opportunities in areas where there are multiple barriers to physical activity will take priority.

**Criteria:**

* Projects **must** improve physical activity opportunities for children
* Applications **must** be made by Early Years settings
* Projects **must** support children aged 5 and under
* Projects **must** make a long-term difference.

**Not supported:**

* We will **not** fund one off or short-term activities such as trips/ sessions/sports coaches etc
* We will **not** fund equipment for individuals
* We will **not** fund core staffing costs.
* We will **not** fund activities for children over 5 years old.

**Funding can be spent on:**

* Purchasing equipment for the setting (e.g. puddle suits to enable children to access the outdoors in all weathers, forest school equipment, sports equipment, equipment to support children with SEND) N.B. Equipment must be retained by the setting, **not** by individuals.
* Costs relating to staff training (e.g. course costs/CPD specifically relating to physical activity in early years; we would also consider wider health and wellbeing related training as long as there was a clear pathway to increased physical activity for children; cover staffing costs to free staff up to attend training.
* Both training and equipment may be covered in one application.

We have a limited pot available for Phase 1 of the Fund, with amounts of up to £500 available for nurseries, and £250 for childminders.

**Applications will open on 3 April and will close on 28 April 2023. Funding will be allocated to successful applicants by the 31 May. All funding must be spent by 31 August 2023.**

Please complete the form and return via email to [amy.katz@wearerise.co.uk](mailto:amy.katz@wearerise.co.uk) by the closing date.

If you have any questions or need any support in completing the form, please contact [amy.katz@wearerise.co.uk](mailto:amy.katz@wearerise.co.uk)

**Contact Details:**

1. **Name\***
2. **Email\***
3. **Telephone number\***

**Organisation details:**

1. **Name of organisation\***
2. **Address\***
3. **Postcode\***
4. **URN number \***
5. **Website**
6. **Social media**
7. **Type of organisation**\*

Tick box

* Nursery
* Childminder
* School

1. **Number of children in setting\***
2. **Do you have the correct governance, safeguarding, and policies in place to begin delivery?**\* We may ask for a copy of these, if you are successful.

Please tick the relevant boxes.

* Safeguarding policy
* Risk Assessments
* Paediatric First Aid certificate
* Public Liability Insurance
* GDPR policy
* Yes
* Yes, but we would like to double check
* No, but we are willing to work towards being compliant

**Project details:**

1. **What would you like to spend the bursary on?** Please refer to our criteria (no more than 700 words). \*
2. **What age group is your project targeting? \***
3. **How many children would this project support? \***
4. **Will this project support any specific groups?** \*

Tick boxes

* Ethnically marginalised groups
* Children with disabilities
* Children from disadvantaged backgrounds
* Other (please specify)
* None

1. **How will this funding help your children to be more active? \***
2. **What are the long-term impacts of this project? \***
3. **Please give a breakdown of costs.** \* For equipment /course fees please provide quotes/links to products or services.

Please note we will not fund any activity that has already taken place so please do not apply for equipment or courses that have already been bought/taken place.

Item Quantity Cost Link

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TOTAL AMOUNT

1. **How did you hear about this funding?** \*

Tick box

EY Conference/email/other organisation/word of mouth/social media/other (please state)

1. **We would like to keep in touch with you to share news, and Early Years opportunities. Would you be interested in hearing from us in the future?** We will never share your information with third party organisations.

Tick box yes/no

All successful applicants must complete a short follow up feedback form, once completed and provide evidence of spend.