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Dear Laura,

Thank you for your recent question concerning the financial support which is available to nursery settings (reference WQ87884).

A wide range of financial support is available to childcare settings including non-maintained nursery settings.

We have taken steps to support providers by increasing the hourly rate for our Childcare Offer by 11% since last April and allowing settings to increase the amount they can charge for food and transport.

We have extended the 100% business rates relief for registered childcare premises, which is estimated to save providers £9.7m in overheads over the next 2 years. In addition, we are making £70m available through our Childcare and Early Years Capital grant to Local Authorities, to help with the cost of developing settings – this includes £20 million for minor capital works over the next 2 years. Registered childcare and playwork providers can contact their local authority to request an application form and receive details on how to apply to the Small Grants Fund for minor capital works.

Through the Children and Communities Grant, the Welsh Government provides £2.3million to local authorities annually to support childcare and play provision. Local authorities determine how best to use this funding based on local circumstances and gaps in childcare provision which can include the provision of sustainability and start up grants to childcare settings.

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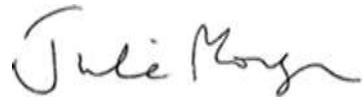
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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

The Welsh Government also works closely with Business Wales to develop dedicated business and funding [advice and guidance for childcare and playwork settings](#).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Julie Morgan'.

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