

How do I tell you what I think?

Come along to a one-off consultation evening on Thursday 3rd July from 6.30pm-9.30pm at Hautlieu School. There are only 200 places available so register your interest by emailing info@jcct.org.je or calling 629901. Places will be allocated by a fair ballot system to ensure we get a broad range of views.

When you register your place, please indicate the nearest group that you will represent at the event from the following options:

- Parent
- Private sector early years professional
- States sector early years professional
- Interested other professional

You can also write to us:

Jersey Child Care Trust
The Bridge
Le Geyt Road
St Saviour
Jersey
JE2 7NT

Or email us: info@jcct.org.je

If you want to find out more about the recent reports and recommendations on early years education we have links on our website, www.jcct.org.je and copies at our offices.

The closing date for comments and suggestions is Friday 4th July.

I look forward to hearing your views



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Fair Nursery Places for all 3-4 Year Olds

We want to know your views



Introduction

Currently half of our 3-4 year olds receive a free nursery class place and half do not. We, at the Jersey Child Care Trust, believe that this is not a fair system and the Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel also concluded this in their recent Early Years Report. One of the recommendations from the Scrutiny Panel was a consultation event with an independent chair to look at the options and provide the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture (ESC) with a workable solution.

We want to know what you think. How can early years education be accessed fairly by all 3-4 year olds?



The Consultation

We want to know if you think we should:

- Carry on building nursery classes at primary schools
- Develop a States and private sector partnership, allowing some free early years education for all children
- Reduce the number of hours available to each child so that all children could be offered a part time place in a nursery class
- Expect early years care to be funded by the States alone, parents alone or a combination of the two

We'd also like to know if you have a different option that would be a better solution?

Please let us know which is your preferred option. Alternatively you could arrange the options in order of preference.

What will happen as a result of this consultation?

The results will be presented to the Minister for ESC and a summary of these responses will be published on www.jcct.org.je and www.gov.je

The Minister aims to take a proposition to the States in the early autumn of 2008.