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Can I get help with my childcare cost?

Check here what help you could get with childcare costs

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

or

<https://www.gov.uk/childcare-calculator>

Do I qualify for 30 hours free childcare and Tax Free childcare?

30 hours free childcare will be available from September 2017. Tax-Free Childcare and 30 hours free childcare are two separate government schemes, to help parents with the cost of childcare. You can apply for both through one online application

<https://childcare-support.tax.service.gov.uk/par/app/invitedtotrial>

Tax-Free Childcare

Parents will be able to open a new childcare account. For every £8 a parent pays into their childcare account, the government will pay in an extra £2. Parents can get up to £2000 government support per child per year towards their childcare costs. They can then use this money to pay their childcare provider.

Parents of children who will be under 4 on 31st August, and parents of disabled children, can apply now

How will parents apply for Free 30 hours and Tax Free Childcare?

Parents will be able to apply for both 30 hours and Tax-Free Childcare at the same time by entering their details once. HMRC will check parents' eligibility for both schemes at the same time

<https://childcare-support.tax.service.gov.uk/par/app/invitedtotrial>

As part of the application process, parents will be asked to enter personal details including their name, address and National Insurance number and the same details for their partner (if they have one). They will also be asked whether they expect to meet the income requirements over the coming three months and whether they are in receipt of any relevant benefits. This information will help HMRC decide whether the parent (and their child) are eligible for 30 hours. At the start of the application process, parents will create a Government Gateway account if they don't already have one

If parents are eligible for 30 hours, they will be given an 11 digit 'eligibility code' for their child. They will be asked to take this code (along with their National Insurance number and child's date of birth) to their provider to claim their 30 hours place.

Where can I apply for Free childcare for 2 (FF2)

Free early education places for 2 year olds is known in Kent as the Free for 2 or 'FF2' scheme

A child is eligible if:

- they come within the criteria used to determine eligibility for Free School Meals
- their families receive Working Tax Credits and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190 per year
- they have a current statement of Special Educational Needs or an Education, Health and care plan
- they are entitled to Disability Living Allowance
- they are looked after by a local authority
- they are no longer looked after by the local authority as a result of an adoption order, a special guardianship order or a child arrangements order which specifies with whom the child lives.

You can check here whether your child is eligible for FF2 and apply for it

<https://kentcc.firmstep.com/default.aspx/RenderForm/?F.Name=QHHdTt9dYjo&HideAll=1>

Any Question Regarding Childcare cost?

If you have any further question please don't hesitate to contact us

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Just drop us an email with your question and we will get back to you as soon as possible