

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### HOW WILL MY PLACE BE PAID FOR?

The funding will be paid directly to the setting your child attends. These settings are all registered with Warwickshire County Council and Ofsted.

### HOW DO I APPLY?

You can apply online at [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childcarecosts](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childcarecosts).

If this is not possible speak to your local Children's Centre or Health Visitor who can apply online on your behalf or complete a referral form. You can also contact the nursery or childminder you want to use.

### WHAT HAPPENS ONCE AN APPLICATION IS MADE?

Your application is checked for eligibility using the Government's Benefits Checking Service. If applying online, an immediate eligibility response will be generated. If you are eligible a letter will be sent to you confirming a 2 year funding place. You will also be sent a list of Childcare settings in your area who offer funded 2 year old places. You will need to take this letter to your chosen setting as evidence of your offer of a funded place.

For more information please ring the 2Help Officers on:

Tel: 01926 742218 or 01926 742233

Email: [2help@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:2help@warwickshire.gov.uk)

Website: [www.warwickshire.gov.uk](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk) or

Family Information Service on:

Tel: 0845 090 8044

Email: [fis@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:fis@warwickshire.gov.uk)



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Find out how you may be able to get a free childcare place for your 2 year old

- up to 15 hours a week
- 38 weeks a year



## From September 2014, you will be able to get a free childcare place for your 2 year old if you are receiving one or more of the following benefits or credits:

- Income Support
- Income based Job Seekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee element of the State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit or Working Tax Credit, if your annual household income is less than £16,190

OR

- The child is being looked after by the local authority
- The child has left care through special guardianship or an adoption or residence order
- The child has a current statement of Special Educational Need, or an Education, Health and Care Plan
- The child qualifies for Disability Living Allowance

Your childcare place will usually be for up to 15 hours a week, 38 weeks per year.

This could give you time to get help and advice, help you find out about your child's development and explore the learning and training opportunities available to you.

You can also meet the team at your local Children's Centre.

For more information contact your local Children's Centre or Health Visitor.

### WHEN WILL MY CHILD BE ELIGIBLE?

Children usually have a place from the start of the school term after their 2nd birthday.

CHILDREN BORN BETWEEN:	FREE PLACES START FROM:
1st January - 31st March	Summer Term (from 1st April)
1st April - 31st August	Autumn Term (from 1st September)
1st September - 31st December	Spring Term (from 1st January)



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