

Services for Young Children

Parents/ Carers Update – April 2018

Included this month: Employer supported childcare vouchers, Are you a parent of a two, three or four year old? Positive Parenting Time Out for Parents course

Employer Supported Childcare Vouchers

As part of Government changes around Tax-Free Childcare, the deadline to join employer supported childcare voucher schemes has been extended - and will now remain open for another six months.

This extended deadline only applies to new applicants to voucher schemes. Employees should speak to their managers or HR departments as to whether their employer provides a childcare voucher scheme.

Last year, the Government introduced a new Tax-Free Childcare scheme which will replace the previous childcare voucher scheme which is ending to new applicants. More information can be found on the [Gov.uk website](http://Gov.uk).

The benefits between the new and existing schemes will depend on your individual circumstances. Visit the online [Childcare calculator](#) to check what help you could get with childcare costs.

Are you a parent of a two, three or four year old?

Free Early Years Education is available to some 2 year olds, and all 3 and 4 years olds in nurseries, pre-schools and with childminders. To check if your child is eligible for the 2 Year Old funding visit:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/freechildcare/2yearoldoffer>

For parents of 3 and 4 year olds already receiving the free early years placement, see if your family is eligible for the Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP) – funding for childcare providers to support the delivery of services for children in their care:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/freechildcare/earlyyears pupilpremium>

For any 3 or 4 year olds who are in receipt of [Disability Living Allowance](#) (DLA), Ofsted registered childcare services are eligible to receive [Disability Access Funding](#) (DAF), which is £615 per child per year. The funding goes towards supporting children to access their early years education. Let your provider know if your child receives DLA.

Positive Parenting Time Out for Parents Course: The Early Years



Positive Parenting 'Time Out' courses are being held St John's Church Centre, Fleet Road, Hartley Wintney, RG27 8ED as follows:

Time Out for Parents: THE EARLY YEARS – six sessions for parents of 0-4 year olds on Wednesday mornings starting Wednesday 25 April, 10am-12noon (coffee from 9.45am). A crèche may be available.

To book a place or for further details email parenting@stjohnshw.org.uk, or telephone 01252 842215, extension 25.

