

Are you READY, STEADY or GO for funded childcare!

Will your child celebrate their second or third birthday or turn 9 months in September, October, November or December? ¹

or

Was your child at least 9 months, 2, or 3 on 31 August? ²

No, not yet

Sorry, you have a little longer to wait for funded childcare

READY!

Check to find which funded childcare entitlement is available



Visit [Childcare Choices](#)

I need some help

Contact the Family Information Service for some advice

0344 800 8020

STEADY!

My family is getting some **form of government support**



My child

- is Looked after by a local authority
- has an EHC plan
- gets Disability Living Allowance
- Has left care under an adoption order, special guardianship order or a child arrangements order



Working Families



All Families



GO!

Apply for a **NEO code**

GO!

Apply for a HMRC code or **Sign in** to re-confirm

GO!

IMPORTANT:

- The start date for your child's funded childcare will depend on their date of birth and your chosen providers admissions age / availability
 - ¹ Earliest start date will be **1 January**
 - ² Earliest start date will be **1 September**
- A HMRC code **must be** obtained **before** the claim period start date **and re-confirmed** every 90 days to keep it valid
- Your funding **may not be free**, ask your provider **BEFORE** agreeing your childcare arrangement if there are any extra charges
- If you have childcare costs to pay, you may be eligible for **Tax-Free Childcare** or **Universal Credit for Childcare**

Find an approved childcare provider that meets your needs **AND** can confirm the earliest start date

Need Help? Search our [Community Directory](#) or contact the [Family Information Service](#)