

To find out about free childcare and to apply for 2-year-old funding:

Visit: www.derbyshire.gov.uk/fcc
(have your National Insurance number handy)

Text* 'Child' to 86555

Email: freechildcare@derbyshire.gov.uk

Call our team on 01629 539316 or 01629 539319 (weekdays 9am to 5pm)

To find a childcare provider in your area you can visit www.derbyshire.gov.uk/eysearch email our Families Information Service at info.fis@derbyshire.gov.uk or call them on 01629 535793

Your chosen provider will need to be graded 'Good' or 'Outstanding' by Ofsted.



*texts cost 10p

FREE childcare for 2-year-olds

40%
of families
now eligible

Worth almost
£3,000
a year

Check if you qualify.

Apply now at
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Are you a parent or carer of a 2-year-old?

If so you could qualify for up to 15 hours of free childcare a week.

Your 2-year-old can get free childcare if you receive working or childcare tax credits or certain benefits. You can find the 2-year-old eligibility criteria here

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/fcc

We also offer free childcare to 2-year-olds who:

- Are children in care
- Have an Education, Health and Care Plan
- Have left care through special guardianship, an adoption placement or child arrangement order (residence order)
- Are receiving Disability Living Allowance

The funding can be used with a range of providers including:

- Childminders
- Pre-schools
- Nurseries

Early education and childcare is great for children as they can learn through play, make new friends, try different activities and get a good start in education.

When will the funding start?

Funding will start the term after your child's second birthday – see examples below:

My child is 2 between:	When do they get free childcare?
January 1 – March 31	After the Easter holidays
April 1 – August 31	In September
September 1 – December 31	In January

When you've completed your online application

If you qualify, you'll receive confirmation which will include a unique six digit code and start date.

You'll need to present your six digit code to your chosen childcare provider before your child can take up a funded place.

The funding will stay in place until your child becomes eligible for 3 and 4-year-old funding regardless of any changes in your circumstances.