

The Government is increasing the funding available to make childcare more affordable for families. This will support the focus on giving children the best start in life.

Extending the funded childcare will support more parents to return to work after their parental leave ends. As with the current offer, providers may charge for additional services.

So that the council and early years education and childcare providers can prepare to offer this expansion, it will be rolled out in phases:

- **From April 2024**, working parents of 2 year olds will be able to access a total of 570 hours of funded childcare per year. Children born on and between 01/01/2022 – 31/03/2022.
- **From September 2024**, these 570 hours of funding will be extended to working parents of 9 month to 2 year olds. Children born on and between 01/04/2022 – 31/08/2022.
- **From September 2025**, this funding will be increased to 1140 hours per year for working parents of all children over 9 months and under 5 years.
- Parents on Universal Credit (UC) will see an increase in the UC childcare cost maximum amounts available to £951 for one child and £1,630 for two children.
- Upfront support for childcare costs to parents on UC moving into work or increasing their hours rather than in-arrears.



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