

## Free childcare is extended up to 30 hours a week

From September 2017, working parents may be able to get up to 30 hours a week of free early education and childcare for their three or four-year-old. All three and four-year-olds are currently entitled to up to 15 hours a week free childcare.

The additional 15 hours will be available to families where both parents are working (or the sole parent is working in a lone parent family), and each parent earns, on average, a weekly minimum equivalent to 16 hours at national minimum wage or national living wage and less than £100,000 per year.

**Parents can check their eligibility online by creating an online childcare service account via [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk)**

*The 30 hours free childcare can be used at registered childminders, day nurseries, pre-schools and nursery class/school. Some providers may not be able to offer the full 30 hours. However, the entitlement can be accessed in more than one setting.*

**Find out more [www.sutton.gov.uk/freechildcare](http://www.sutton.gov.uk/freechildcare) or contact the Sutton Family Information Service on 020 8770 6000.**