**Childcare Funding**

**Frequently Asked Questions**

**2 – 4 year olds**

**Where can I find the information about childcare providers for children under the age of 5 (nursery, school, childminders) in my area?**

1. East Sussex County Council Website – [Finding childcare | East Sussex County Council](https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/children-families/childcare/finding-childcare)

**Where can I find my nearest nursery or school?**

1. East Sussex County Council Family Information Service

**What organisations can help me pay for childcare?**

1. Childcare Choices and Universal Credit

**How many free hours would my child get at nursery? Who is eligible for free 15 hours at nursery?**

1. Universal offer 15 hours for all 3 and 4 year olds. Extended to 30 hours for working families.

**How or where can I apply for 15 hours free for children who are 2 years old?**

1. East Sussex County Council Website – [Help with childcare costs | East Sussex County Council](https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/children-families/childcare/costs/childcare-costs)

**If I pay for extra hours at nursery, can I apply for a refund?**

1. 85% cover from Universal Credit

**Who is eligible for 30 hours for free at nursery?**

1. Working families

**How or where can I apply for 30 hours free childcare?**

1. Childcare Choices Website - [Childcare Choices | 30 Hours Free Childcare, Tax-Free Childcare and More | Help with Costs | GOV.UK](https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/)

**What is Tax Free Childcare and who is eligible?**

1. Tax-Free Childcare – GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

**Where can I use money from tax free childcare (breakfast club, after school club, activity clubs, holiday clubs)?**

1. Ask your provider

**Who is eligible for 30 hours for free at nursery?**

1. Working families

**4+ year olds**

**Where can I buy school uniform for my child?**

1. Speak to your school or visit [School uniforms | East Sussex County Council](https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/education-learning/schools/school-life/uniforms)

**Can my child get free transportation to school?**

1. Visit [Free school transport | East Sussex County Council](https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/education-learning/schools/transport/free)

**Where can I find the information about summer (or other) holiday activities for my child?**

1. East Sussex Holiday Activity Fund - [Welcome to Holiday food and fun | East Sussex County Council](https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/children-families/childcare/welcome-to-holiday-food-and-fun)

**Do I have to pay for holiday activities for my child?**

1. Not if you are eligible (see above).

**Can I get any financial support for holiday activities?**

1. No.

**Is there any financial support for childcare outside of school hours (breakfast club, after school club)?**

1. If the clubs are private, then no. Families could use Tax Free Childcare.