

New Criteria

Talking 2's

2 parents



Telford & Wrekin Council is offering free early education and childcare places to eligible 2 year olds from January 2014

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Find out if you are entitled

The government has issued new criteria for eligibility for free nursery places for two year olds. The criteria is to be introduced from September 2014, but here in Telford and Wrekin we are using the new criteria from January 2014.

If you have a toddler who will be 2 during 2014 you can apply for a free place for your child if one or more of the following criteria applies to you:

- Meet the criteria for Free School Meals
- You receive working tax credits and have household gross yearly income of no more than £16,190
- The child has a current statement of SEN or an Education, Health and Care Plan
- The child attracts Disability Living Allowance
- They have left care through special guardianship or an adoption or residency order (including Children in Care)

Your child is entitled to a free place if your child's 2nd birthday falls between:

1 January - 31 March

They are entitled to a place in **April**

1 April - 31 August

They are entitled to a place in **September**

1 September - 31 December

They are entitled to a place in **January**

Still unsure? You can call **01952 385438** and they will check for you. You will be asked for your national insurance number, date of birth and your surname.

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If you think you are entitled, complete the application form

You can find the application form on www.telford.gov.uk/talking2s or you can pick one up at any Children and Family Centre Hub.

You should also contact the childcare provider of your choice and check they have a place for your child at the times you want.

You will need to provide a copy of your most recent Tax Credit Award notice.

If successful you will be entitled to 15 hours childcare per week.

You can find a list of all the childcare providers approved to take 2 year olds at www.telford.gov.uk/talking2s or you can contact Family Connect or your local Children and Family Centre Hub.

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Confirmation of your free childcare place

Once you have confirmation of a childcare place

- Your childcare provider will ask to see a copy of your child's birth certificate
- You will need to fill out their registration form



Free places will only be available from providers who have proved they offer the highest possible standards of care for two year olds.

**You can get more information
about Talking 2's at...**

tel. 01952 385438

email. talking2s@telford.gov.uk

web. www.telford.gov.uk/talking2s

Or from...

Hadley Castle Children and Family Centre Covers the Children Centres in Donnington, Hadley, Newport, Oakengates and St Georges. tel. 01952 387183

Lakeside South Children and Family Hub Covers the Children Centres in Brookside, Dawley, Sutton Hill and Woodside. tel. 01952 385465

Wrekin Children and Family Centre Hub Covers the children centres in Arleston, Malinslee, Newdale, Wellington. tel. 01952 385577

Family Connect
tel. 01952 385385
email. familyconnect@telford.gov.uk

