

These places may be available at childminders, playgroups, nurseries or school nurseries.

All these free places are for 38 weeks a year. This is the same as a term-time place. If your childcare provider has space, you may be able to stretch your hours over more weeks eg 15 hours over 38 weeks, or 11.5 hours over 48 weeks. Talk to them about what's possible.

Please note that you may be asked to pay extra money for example, for meals, nappies, trips etc.

When would my child be able to start their free place?

Your child's place does NOT start on their birthday. It starts the term AFTER their eligible birthday.

Date of your child's birthday	Term funding for your free place starts
1 January – 31 March	1 April (after their eligible birthday)
1 April – 31 August	1 September (after their eligible birthday)
1 September – 31 December	1 January (after their eligible birthday)

 www.education.hackney.gov.uk



**FREE CHILDCARE
FOR 2,3 AND 4
YEAR OLDS
IN HACKNEY**

Up to 15 hours free childcare for some 2 year olds

Is it for me?

> **Your child is 2 years old**

> **You are receiving a form of support including:**

- Tax credits and have an annual income under £16,190 before tax
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- Universal credit and have an annual income of under £15,400 after tax

OR if any of these apply to your child:

- they are looked after by a local council.
- they have a current statement of special educational needs (SEN) or an education, health and care (EHC) plan;
- they get Disability Living Allowance; or
- they have left care under a special guardianship order, child arrangements order or adoption order.

How to apply

Go to  www.education.hackney.gov.uk

Up to 15 hours free childcare for all 3 and 4 year olds

Is it for me?

> **Your child is either 3 or 4 years old.**

How to apply

You do not need to make an application. Simply go directly to any approved childminder, nursery, playgroup, school nursery class in Hackney or another borough.

For a list of all childcare in Hackney go to:

 www.education.hackney.gov.uk

All 3 and 4 year olds are entitled to 15 hours free childcare. If you are also working then you may be entitled to an extra 15 hours, making 30 in total. See below.

Up to 30 hours free childcare for 3 and 4 year olds of working parents

Is it for me?

> **You, and any partner are working (including self employment) and earning minimum £139 (on average) per week, but no more than £100,000 per year**

How to apply

Check your eligibility and apply at:  www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

If you are eligible you will receive a 30 hours eligibility code that you can then take to your chosen childcare.

Important: You must reconfirm your details every 3 months or your funding will stop. Do keep a note of your login details as you will need to reconfirm your eligibility by logging into your Childcare Services account.