

30 hours free early education and childcare

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Termly funding confirmation form

The termly funding confirmation form will be made available from the start of the Spring term (8th January 2018).

Early Years census

Thursday 18th January 2018 is census day!

We would like to remind all settings offering free early education and care places of the importance of completing the census. The information submitted on your census is used by the Department for Education to determine how much money Kirklees Council is allocated for early years. Without this information, our funding, and consequently the amount of money available to meet the needs of young children in our area may be reduced and may impact on the funding allocation you receive.

We plan to publish the Early Years Census form on the Provider Portal week commencing 15th January 2018 together with guidance and support to complete the census.

Childcare vacancies

Why not take the opportunity to tell us your childcare vacancies for next term by completing the vacancy form on the [Provider Portal](#) or send an email to childcare.sufficiency@kirklees.gov.uk

Views sought on early years education for disadvantaged children

The government has launched a [consultation](#) on new proposals on eligibility for free 15 hour childcare for two year olds.



Parents experiencing problems with the application process or accessing their childcare account should direct their queries to the Childcare Service Customer Interaction Centre on 0300 123 4097 www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

In May 2018 a new Data Protection Law is coming into force. The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) will replace the Data Protection Act and will apply regardless of Brexit.

It is really important that everyone is fully aware of the new rules, as they are much more wide ranging than what is currently in place and organisations need to be preparing for compliance now. A [preparing for GDPR 12 steps guide](#) can be downloaded.

**We would like to take this opportunity
to wish you all a very Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year and to thank you
for your continued support**

