

# 2gether

Do you have a 2 year old?  
Are you on a low income?  
The 2gether scheme could help you.



**How  
you can  
get free  
childcare**

## What is 2gether?

We are part of a national scheme to offer flexible, funded childcare places for two year olds living in households with low-incomes. The scheme is designed to improve your child's learning, and support you to be able to get training or a job.

If your family is eligible you can access a free childcare place and a range of other support including learning with your child, parenting support and training courses.

## Who can be part of 2gether?

You can be part of the scheme if:

- your postcode is in one of the pilot areas of Barnstaple, Ilfracombe, Buckland, Beacon Heath, Whipton or Central Exeter
- one parent is receiving one of these benefits:
  - Income Support
  - Income based Job Seeker's Allowance
  - Child Tax Credit at the higher rate
  - Extra Working Tax Credit relating to disability
  - Pension Credit





## What do I need to do next?

Complete the application form in this leaflet or pick one up from your local children's centre where someone will be able to help you to complete it.

A children's centre worker will then contact you to discuss the 2gether scheme. If you are eligible, the children's centre worker will meet with you to identify what additional support your child and family could access through the 2gether scheme. If you are not eligible, the children's centre will help you look at other funding options and give you information on registered childcare, local activities and support services.

## How do I get the free childcare?

You could be eligible to receive funding for up to 15 hours of childcare a week. You can complete an application form before your child is two years old, but the childcare will not start until the term after your child's second birthday. You must choose a childcare provider from the approved provider list and the funding will be paid direct to the provider.

## When can my child access the free childcare?

<b>Child born between:</b>	<b>Entitled from:</b>
<b>1 April and 31 August</b>	1 September after their second birthday until they go to school
<b>1 September and 31 December</b>	1 January after their second birthday until they go to school
<b>1 January and 31 March</b>	1 April after their second birthday until they go to school



## For more information contact your local children's centre

### Victoria House Children's Centre - Barnstaple

Victoria Road  
Barnstaple EX32 8NP

**01271 321411**

[victoria.house@actionforchildren.org.uk](mailto:victoria.house@actionforchildren.org.uk)

### Beacon Heath Children's Centre

Pendragon House  
Beacon Lane  
Exeter EX4 8LZ

**01392 427063**

[bhcc@actionforchildren.org.uk](mailto:bhcc@actionforchildren.org.uk)  
[www.surestartexeter.org.uk](http://www.surestartexeter.org.uk)

### Flying Start Children's Centre - Central Exeter

Kingfisher House  
Western Way  
Exeter EX1 2DE

**01392 666224**

[helen@eci.org.uk](mailto:helen@eci.org.uk)  
[www.eci.org.uk/flyingstart](http://www.eci.org.uk/flyingstart)

### My Start Children's Centre - Ilfracombe

Marlborough Road  
Ilfracombe EX34 8JL

**01271 865825**

[sscnd@actionforchildren.org.uk](mailto:sscnd@actionforchildren.org.uk)  
[www.mystart.surestart.org](http://www.mystart.surestart.org)

### Newton Abbot Children's Centre - Buckland

Coronation Road  
Newton Abbot TQ12 1TX

**01626 354657**

[newtonabbotchildrenscentre@barnardos.org.uk](mailto:newtonabbotchildrenscentre@barnardos.org.uk)

### Whipton Children's Centre

Hill Lane  
Whipton  
Exeter EX1 3JP

**01392 464754**

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[www.surestartexeter.org.uk](http://www.surestartexeter.org.uk)

