

Important Parent Information

Dear Parents,

I am writing to inform you of a new scheme coming into place which could be of benefit to you.

Tax-Free Childcare is a new government scheme to help working parents with the cost of childcare. Tax-Free Childcare will eventually replace the current voucher scheme and it will be available to many more parents. We will still be able to receive payments from parents using childcare vouchers, although families cannot use both at the same time. You can claim Tax-Free Childcare alongside the 15/30 Free Hours.

Parents will be able to open an online account, via the Government website GOV.UK which you can use to pay us directly. For every £8 a parent pays in, the government will pay in an extra £2. You can receive up to £2,000 per child, per year, towards your childcare costs, or £4,000 for disabled children.

The scheme will be available for children under the age of 12, or under 17 for children with disabilities. To qualify, you will have to be in work, and each expecting to earn at least £120 a week. Each parent must not have income over £100,000 per year.

Tax-Free Childcare will be introduced on 28 April 2017 and will then be gradually rolled out over 2017, with parents of children under two invited to enter the scheme first. Parents will be able to apply for all their children at the same time, when their youngest child becomes eligible. All eligible parents will be able to join the scheme by the end of 2017.

When applying you will just need to enter the Nursery's (IG10 1QP) or Pre-School's (IG10 4LT) postcode to assign us for your payments. Please use your child's name as the reference. Please note payments will take a few days to clear so please bear this in mind when arranging the transfer date to avoid late payment charges.

A useful website to get information can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/tax-free-childcare-10-things-parents-should-know>

To sign up click here:

<https://childcare-support.tax.service.gov.uk/par/app/overview>

If you require any further information regarding your fees please email Alex our finance officer accounts@chrysalisnursery.co.uk

We hope you benefit from using the above schemes and will continually update you with information as we receive it from the relevant bodies.

Best wishes,

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