



## **BOUGHTON MONCHELSEA PLAYGROUP**

### **Tax free Childcare**

Tax free childcare is a government scheme that allows all eligible parents of children under 12 – or 17 if your child has a disability – to open an online account to pay for childcare. For every £80 you pay in the government will pay in an extra £20.

You can save up to £10,000 in a tax free childcare account (£8,000 that you have paid in and £2,000 that the government has paid in) or up to £20,000 (£16,000 that you have paid in and £4,000 that the government has paid in) if your child has a disability.

The eligibility criteria for tax free childcare is broadly the same as for the 30 hour offer. You can only use tax free childcare to pay registered providers.

It is important to note that while you can use tax free childcare alongside the 30 hours offer (or 15 hour offer), you can't use it at the same time as:

- Childcare vouchers
- Universal Credit
- Tax credits

More information on this can be found on the government's Childcare Choices Website – [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk).