

Bolton Families Information Service provides free information, impartial advice and guidance on a wide range of local and national services for children and young people (aged 0-19) and their families.



For information on services for children, young people and families contact:

Bolton Families Information Service
One Stop Shop
Town Hall
Bolton
BL1 1RU



Tel: 01204 332170
Email: families@bolton.gov.uk

Websites

www.bolton.gov.uk/fis
www.localdirectory.bolton.gov.uk
www.openfamilyservices.org.uk/ofs

Or call into your local Children's Centre.

Bolton Council welcomes feedback on its services.
Please contact us if you wish to comment.
Bolton Council has a complaints procedure which is available on request.



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Information for families in Bolton



Helping parents find the information and support they need

Bolton Council

We can provide information on:

- Careers in childcare
- Childminders
- Children's Centres
- Crèches
- Disability Services
- Early education
- Extended Services
- Financial help for families
- Health issues
- Holiday play schemes
- Information Sharing & Assessment (ISA)
- Nurseries
- Out of school activities
- Parent and toddler groups
- Play and activities
- Pre-school groups/playgroups
- Schools, admissions and appeals
- Special needs
- Sport and leisure activities
- Voluntary organisations
- Youth Service



Brokerage Service

Bolton Families Information Service (FIS) provides a brokerage service to help families who need additional support to access childcare facilities. The brokerage service also supports families

of children with disabilities to access short break services e.g. leisure activities. If you feel your family would benefit from this service please telephone 01204 338756.

Choice Advice

The Choice Advice service provides independent advice and support for families about school admissions. If you require any help in understanding the admissions system, filling in the form or preparing for an appeal please telephone 01204 332125.



Working with children

We have information on career and training opportunities in childcare. If you want to become a childminder or set up other registered childcare provision we can provide information on how to register with Ofsted (Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills). We can also refer you to Early Years officers who can assist you with pre-registration advice, support and training.



Children's Centres

Bolton's Children's Centres bring together services for children under five and their families, enabling them to access a range of services and information.



The centres aim to improve outcomes for all children.

They are friendly and supportive places where families can meet professionals and access all the services a young family needs.

Local Directory

Find out what services are available in Bolton by using the Local Directory at www.localdirectory.bolton.gov.uk

To search for childcare in Bolton, use the National Open Family Services website www.openfamilyservices.org.uk/ofs which includes information from a number of local authorities.

