

Free Early Learning for 2 year olds

List of nurseries, schools, childminders and playgroups

If your child is eligible for a free place, you can apply to any of the places on this list. The list includes childminders, nurseries, primary schools, and children's centres.

This list is arranged by postcode to help you to find somewhere close to where you live:

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www.islington.gov.uk/freeearlylearning2

Choosing a place for your child – hints and tips

- Ask other parents for recommendations
- Try to visit two or three different settings to compare what's on offer
- Think about your child's personality and interests – what kind of environment will they prefer? For example, childminders offer a home-based environment
- Talk to the staff at the setting and tell them if you have any questions or worries
- Check that the days and hours that the setting can offer are suitable for you and your child. Childminders may be able to offer more flexible hours

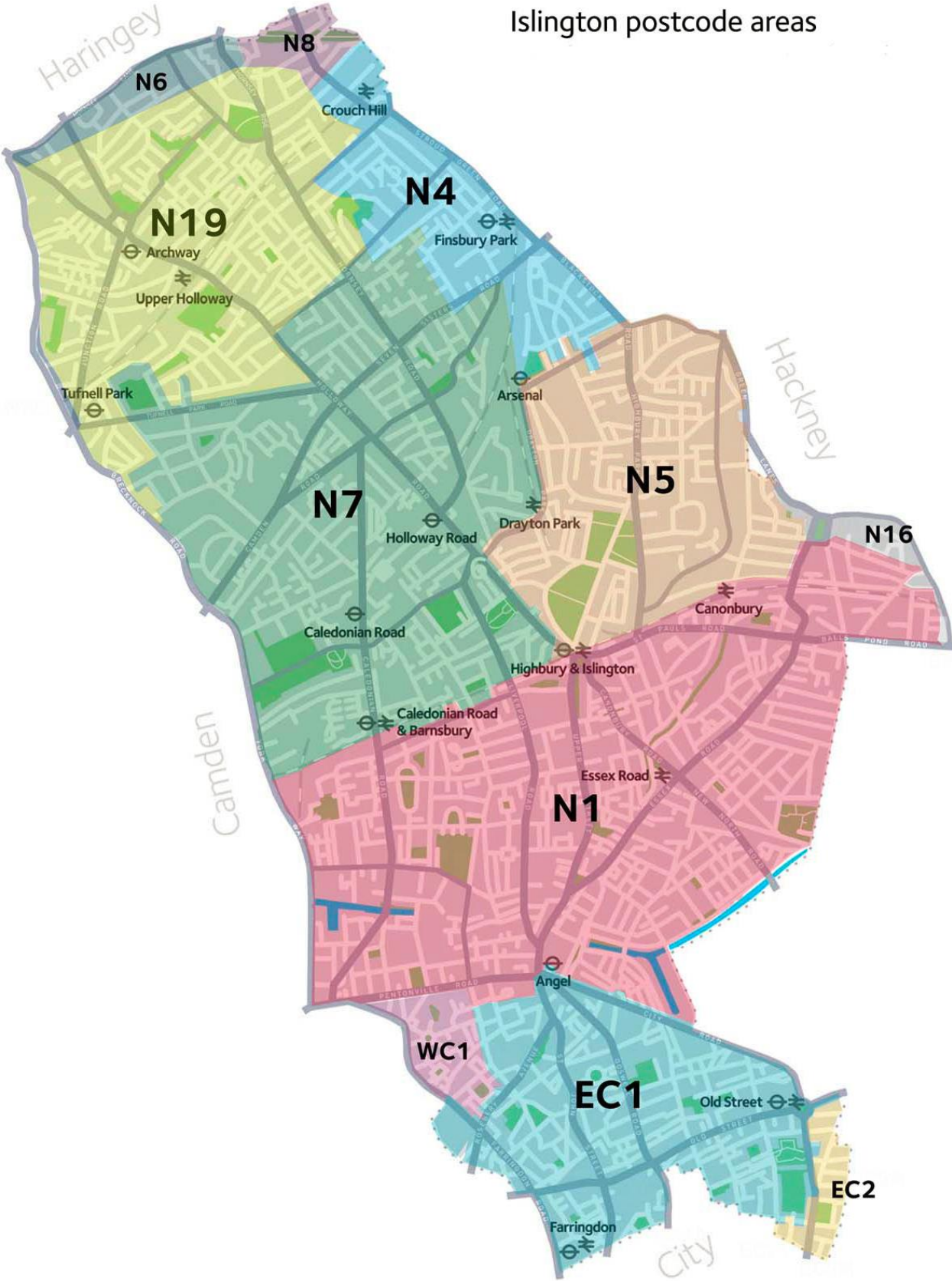
If you need any information, help or advice about applying for a place for your child, contact the Family Information Service on **020 7527 5959** or email fis@islington.gov.uk.

Please be aware that you may not get a place at your first choice of setting. It is a good idea to apply to more than one setting. You can apply to as many places as you like.

Primary Schools

Primary Schools listed in **blue** are having building works done to create new spaces suitable for two year olds. Please note that these places may not be available straight away. Contact the school directly for more information.

Islington postcode areas



EC1			
Name of setting	Type of setting	Address	Telephone Number
Hugh Myddelton Primary School	Primary School	Myddelton Street London EC1R 1YJ	020 7278 6075
Samantha Negus <i>Outings to parks, libraries, farms, drop-ins, museums and soft play. Creative and fun activities at home. Provides a mostly organic diet.</i>	Childminder	EC1Y 8NQ	07828 797 636
Moreland Primary School	Primary School	Moreland Street London EC1V 8BB	020 7253 8144
Childsplay Nursery Royal Mail	Nursery	Royal Mail Mount Pleasant Farringdon Road London EC1A 1BB	020 7239 2685 or 020 7239 2209
The Co-operative Childcare	Nursery	10 Galway Street Islington London EC1V 3SW	020 7251 3475

N1			
Name of setting	Type of setting	Address	Telephone Number
Essex Road Preschool	Nursery	Rear, Sir Walter Sickert Court Community Centre Canonbury Crescent London N1 2FE	020 7354 3944
Eunice Abraham <i>I am a qualified childcare practitioner with 20 years' experience. I take children to stay and plays and local farms.</i>	Childminder	N1 2GA	07903 410 706

<p>Julie Bonaparte</p> <p><i>Level 3 qualified. 21 years experience including work in nursery. Car. Garden. Drop-in groups, Highbury Round House, Zoomaround. Can accept childcare vouchers.</i></p>	Childminder	N1 3EU	07985 252 078 020 7688 9205
<p>Anna-Maria Marshall</p> <p><i>Working with assistants. We are inspired by Rudolf Steiner and follow a seasonal rhythm. Our activities include baking bread, making organic soup, planting bulbs, tomatoes, wet on wet painting and going for walks to feed the ducks. Our emphasis is on being kind to each other and learning to be together. Can accept childcare vouchers.</i></p>	Childminder	N1 2LT	07947 363 586
New River Green Children's Centre	Children's Centre	23 Ramsay Walk Islington London N1 2SX	020 7527 4813 020 7527 4817
Rosemary Gardens	Nursery	Rosemary Gardens Park Southgate Road London N1 3JR	020 7354 3587
<p>Carol Tully</p> <p><i>Degree in Early Childhood studies. 27 years experience. Garden. Drop-ins, quiet time in the afternoon, trips with New River Green to farms and other events</i></p>	Childminder	N1 4AB	07961 179 208
<p>Cecilia Bonaparte</p> <p><i>Outings, visits to play groups. Easy parking on meters.</i></p>	Childminder	N1 3DR	020 7226 0448

<p>Chelsea Shaw</p> <p><i>Working towards level 3, to be completed 2015. I have been working with children for 5+ years as a nanny, babysitter and childminder. I am also a full time mum of a 3 year old boy. We go to stay and plays every day, also to farms, parks, libraries. I provide meals and snacks. Outdoor area and parks nearby. I provide a warm, friendly and fun environment for children to grow and learn.</i></p>	Childminder	N1 2AA	07975 672 292
<p>Janet Speirs</p> <p><i>Level 3 qualified. I go to stay and plays, drop ins and do activities with children. I also take children on outings to the zoo, farms and museums. Working with an assistant.</i></p>	Childminder	N1 8SY	07852 412 301
<p>Jennifer Appleton</p> <p><i>Level 3 qualified. 20 years' experience working with children. Garden. Stimulating environment.</i></p>	Childminder	N1 8SY	07944 242 287
Packington Children's Centre	Children's Centre	Popham Road London N1 8SJ	020 7359 3302
St Mary's Preschool	Nursery	St Mary's Neighbourhood Centre St Mary's Church Upper St London N1 2TX	020 7704 2873 020 7226 3400
<p>Donna Weathers</p> <p><i>Level 3 qualified. Visits to stay and play sessions, parks to feed the ducks, outings. Garden with toys.</i></p>	Childminder	N1 8DH	07956 471 477

<p>Jacqueline Wilkins</p> <p><i>Garden. Children will be taken out daily to local children's centres and weekly visits to the libraries, parks, soft play, museums and playbus. Summer visits to the seaside and theme parks. Children have access to lots of indoor and outdoor equipment, learning resources and use of a computer. I have many years experience working with children with special needs.</i></p>	Childminder	N1 8DA	07455 221 187
<p>Jane Ann Scott</p> <p><i>Level 3 qualified. Garden. Attends stay and plays. Outings to parks, library, soft play, zoo, museums. Home activities include painting, gluing. Easy parking. Can accept childcare vouchers.</i></p>	Childminder	N1 8LE	07984 190 463
<p>Arlete Pontes</p> <p><i>Outings to parks, libraries, farms, drop-ins, trips to museums, zoo and theatre. Rated 'outstanding' by Ofsted.</i></p>	Childminder	N1 0XP	07828 113 638
Hanover Playschool	Nursery	Hanover Playschool Priory Heights 2A, Wynford Road London N1 9SG	020 7713 7366
Vittoria Primary School	Primary School	Half Moon Crescent London N1 0TJ	020 7837 6063
<p>Winton Primary School</p> <p><i>Opening January 2014 please contact the school for further details</i></p>	Primary School	Killick Street London N1 9AZ	020 7837 6096

Zoulla Smith <i>English and Greek spoken. Outings to parks, Freightliners farm and outdoor play. Nearby parking. Can accept childcare vouchers.</i>	Childminder	N1 1LW	020 7607 9897
Paula Stejskalova <i>Level 3 qualified. Can provide overnight care. 12 years' experience. Will take children to the park, farm, playgroups, libraries, zoo. Available for school pick up and drop off.</i>	Childminder	N1 0JJ	07816 079 430

N4			
Name of setting	Type of setting	Address	Telephone Number
Ambler Children's Centre	Children's Centre	Ambler Primary School Blackstock Road London N4 2DR	020 7359 7628
Carol Howes <i>Level 3 qualified. Everyday outings to parks, libraries, groups and farms. Previously employed as playgroup worker. Driver.</i>	Childminder	N4 2QW	020 7503 7479
Emily Chilton <i>I provide a homely environment with weekly plans to encourage and support the children's individual educational, social and physical development. We have outings everyday to play groups, parks, farms, soft play etc. as well as a garden to play in. Regular trips to museums, zoos. Fresh, homemade food provided.</i>	Childminder	N4 2QS	07515 120 526
Finsbury Park Homeless Families Project	Nursery	St John's Church Gloucester Drive London N4 2LW	020 7281 5174

St Thomas's Playgroup	Nursery	Saint Thomas' Church Hall 75 Monsell Rd London N4 2EF	020 7354 9347 020 7226 3127
Blythwood Community Nursery	Nursery	Holly Hall Blythwood Road London N4 4EU	020 7263 5070
North Islington Children's Centre	Children's Centre	110-112 Tollington Park London N4 3RB	020 7527 4844

N5			
Name of setting	Type of setting	Address	Telephone Number
Aberdeen Park Nursery	Nursery	143 Highbury New Park London N5 2LJ	020 7226 2610
St Augustine's Playgroup	Nursery	St Augustine's Church Hall 108 Highbury New Park London N5 2DR	020 7704 8003 07500 831 155 020 7354 5515
Danielle Franklin <i>Caters to each child's individual needs. Stimulating activities for all age groups. Visits to parks, farm, library, music, singing, stay & plays. Working with another childminder and assistant. Childminding Co-ordinator for Conewood Street Children's Centre. Driver.</i>	Childminder	N5 1BT	07743 435 052
ABCD Childcare Providers <i>Jennifer Eccles and Chenaye Hendricks-McCalla. We have a combined 26 years' experience working in Islington Children's Centres. We offer a wide range of activities - learning through play in line with the Early Years Foundation Stage 2014.</i>	Childminders	N5 1PW	07958 531 030 07984 837 771

<p>Highbury Brightstart Childminding</p> <p><i>Childminders Brian Marsh and Lai Marsh, and an assistant. Art, craft and design based learning environment. Garden relaxation and vegetable growing. Local playcentres, parks, ecology centre. Gallery visits. Can accept childcare vouchers.</i></p>	Childminders	N5 2JU	020 7226 3828
<p>Highbury Quadrant Primary School</p>	Primary School	Highbury New Park London N5 2DP	020 7226 6531
<p>Lavern Powell</p> <p><i>Tiny Angels Day Care Limited. 15 years experience. Early Years Foundation Degree. I offer a range of learning through play in line with the Early Years Foundation Stage 2014. Different outings each day to children's centres, parks, library. Garden.</i></p>	Childminder	N5 2HZ	020 7354 5320 07939 005 342
<p>Tessa's Tiny Tots</p> <p><i>Tessa Dummett. Garden. Experienced with special needs. Former playleader and teacher. English, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, German, Punjabi and Czech spoken, also basic Farsi, Hindi French and Russian. Working with two assistants.</i></p>	Childminder	N5 1AZ	07809 831 387
<p>Victoria Wilson</p> <p><i>22 years' experience. Ground floor property with garden. Outings to the zoo, museums, galleries, libraries, stay and plays. A range of indoor fun and craft activities. Organic, free range, freshly prepared food only. I provide a safe, friendly and fun environment for children to learn, play and explore.</i></p>	Childminder	N5 2DD	020 7704 0464

N7			
Name of setting	Type of setting	Address	Telephone Number
Andover Preschool	Nursery	49-50 Corker Walk Andover Estate London N7 7RY	020 7272 0921
Annette McGirr <i>Level 3 qualified. 19 years experience. I offer a friendly and safe environment. Garden with play equipment for under 5's. Daily visits to children's centres, stay and play sessions and libraries.</i>	Childminder	N7 7JB	020 7609 3387
Finsbury Park Community Hub Playgroup	Nursery	55 Corker Walk Andover Estate London N7 7RY	020 7272 3660
Jasmine Cassidy <i>A variety of activities to meet children's needs. Weekly visits to local children's centre, libraries, farm and other places of interest. 11 years' experience.</i>	Childminder	N7 7RG	020 7281 4137
Sam Morris Centre Nursery	Nursery	Parkside Crescent Isledon Road London N7 7JG	020 7609 1735
Robert Blair Primary School	Primary School	Brewery Road London N7 9QJ	020 7607 4115
Sandra Hepden <i>BA Children's Care, Learning and Development. Over 15 years experience working as a childminder and in playgroups. Garden. Outings to toddler groups, centres. 17 years' experience. Easy parking.</i>	Childminder	N7 9RT	07930 357 066

Bennett Court Playgroup	Nursery	Bennett Court Social Club Bennett Court Axminster Road London N7 6BN	020 7263 3288
Helen Catterwell <i>Outings to local playgroups, parks, libraries, farms, softplay and 1 o'clock clubs. Creative activities in the home. Trips to museums and zoos during school holidays. Working with an assistant.</i>	Childminder	N7 0EW	07737 498 541
Grafton Primary School	Primary School	Eburne Road Holloway London N7 6AR	020 7272 3284
Montem Primary School <i>Opening January 2014 please contact the school for further details</i>	Primary School	Hornsey Road London N7 7QT	020 7272 6556
Manor Gardens Pre-School	Nursery	Manor Gardens Centre 6-9 Manor Gardens Holloway London N7 6LA	020 7561 5261
Claire Punter <i>Rated 'outstanding' by Ofsted. Garden. 9 years' experience. Playroom. Different outings each day; library, farm, drop-ins. Freshly cooked meals. Easy parking.</i>	Childminder	N7 8RN	020 7607 7653 07791 865 153
Market Road Playgroup	Nursery	Community Hall 55 Tealby Court Roman Way London N7 8HY	020 7609 6088

<p>Lorraine Brown</p> <p><i>Outings to playgroups, soft play, games and libraries. Messy play and cooking. Working with an assistant. Can accept childcare vouchers.</i></p>	Childminder	N7 7HE	07595 223 574
<p>Marlene Gomes</p> <p><i>Garden. Outings to parks, playgrounds and a farm. Reliable and professional service. Emphasis on fun and learning. Working with an assistant.</i></p>	Childminder	N7 8SR	020 7607 7690
<p>Marlyn Etienne</p> <p><i>Will take children on outings and drop in sessions. Parks. Parking is quite good.</i></p>	Childminder	N7 7BG	07960 724 128
<p>Mary Timurlenkogu</p> <p><i>Has a garden. Easy parking.</i></p>	Childminder	N7 8RD	07941 081 444
<p>St Mary Magdelene Early Years Centre</p>	Early Years Centre	24 Bride Street London N7 8RP	020 7502 4740
<p>Tatiana Pozza Jackson</p> <p><i>I have created a beautiful and interesting learnwaing environment for children offering a wide range of activities. Due to excellent location we can enjoy regular visits to the library, park, animal farm, swimming pool and much more.</i></p>	Childminder	N7 8TW	07763 597 414
<p>Jahanara Chowdhury</p> <p><i>I take children to the park, offer creative activities with lots of toys and books.</i></p>	Childminder	N7 7PA	07835 533 720

N16			
Name of setting	Type of setting	Address	Telephone Number
The Factory Children's Centre	Children's Centre	107-109 Matthias Road London N16 8NP	020 7923 9879

N19			
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Archway Children's Centre	Children's Centre	Vorley Road London N19 5HE	020 7527 4827
Beverley Arrowsmith <i>Level 3 qualified. 27 years' experience. Garden. Outings to parks, play groups, meeting friends, feed ducks.</i>	Childminder	N19 5QL	07516 736 625
Donna Burrowes <i>Level 3 qualified. Outings, shows, structured play, swimming and educational games. Easy parking on pay and display.</i>	Childminder	N19 5JR	020 3592 1566
Hargrave Park Extended Community Primary School	Primary School	51 Bredgar Road London N19 5BS	020 7272 3989
Lisa Harvey <i>NEEB qualified with 26 years' experience in childcare. Friendly and fun environment for children to play, explore and develop. I offer interesting daily and weekly routines. Activities include cooking, gardening, arts and crafts, trips to the farm, library and stay and plays. I provide healthy cooked meals with vegetarian options. Can accept childcare vouchers.</i>	Childminder	N19 3XX	07593 248 598

<p>Sue Paine</p> <p><i>Rated 'good' by Ofsted. Large town house with garden in a quiet street in Tufnell Park. Parks, playing fields, one o'clock club and childminder stay and play within easy walking distance.</i></p>	Childminder	N19 4RR	07903 523 052
<p>Tina O'Toole</p> <p><i>Level 3 qualified. Car with business insurance and car seats for all ages. Daily outings, parks, playgroups, library, Sobell Centre, Castle soft play. Parking quite good.</i></p>	Childminder	N19 4EY	020 7263 1128
<p>Tracy's Tots and Co</p> <p><i>Ofsted registered childcare based in a home where four or more carers look after children at the same time. It is a small nursery operating on domestic premises.</i></p>	Childcare on Domestic Premises	N19 5DS	020 7272 6428
<p>Avis Rose Anderson</p> <p><i>Outings to parks, library, zoos, museum, various indoor activities, model making and board games.</i></p>	Childminder	N19 3LU	07961 816 592
<p>Little Haven Childcare</p> <p><i>Ofsted registered childcare based in a home where four or more carers look after children at the same time. It is a small nursery operating on domestic premises.</i></p>	Childcare on Domestic Premises	N19 3EP	07903 543 627
<p>Felicity Watson</p> <p><i>Level 3 qualified. 8 years' experience in childcare. Messy play, garden, stories, home cooked food, attends stay and play sessions.</i></p>	Childminder	N19 3RN	07930 871 459
<p>Debra Stones</p> <p><i>Light and spacious family setting. Lots of fun outings to playgroups, local parks, London zoo, farms and soft play centres. Can accept childcare vouchers.</i></p>	Childminder	N19 3JY	07801 236 359

Hornsey Lane Estate Community Nursery	Nursery	The Community Centre Hazellville Road London N19 3YJ	020 7263 4320 020 7272 5938
Margaret McMillan Nursery School and Children's Centre	Children's Centre	Hornsey Rise London N19 3SF	020 7281 2745
Dawn Newton <i>Provides child centred learning environment with many stimulating and educational activities, outings to local drop-in groups including library and children centre. Care is consistent, holistic and tailored to child's individual needs</i>	Childminder	N19 4LD	020 7686 4106
Sonia Humphreys <i>Level 3 qualified. 19 years' experience. I live in a 2 story part of house, have a big garden. I go to children's centres, libraries, leisure centres, parks and farms.</i>	Childminder	N19 5BG	020 7609 8948
Hornsey Day Nursery	Nursery	504A Hornsey Road London N19 3QW	020 7305 5744
Marie Doogan <i>Level 3 and 4 qualified. Rated 'outstanding' by Ofsted. Car. Garden. 12 years' experience. Speaks English and Greek. Can accept childcare vouchers.</i>	Childminder	N19 4QX	07949 204 459