

North Wiltshire

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| Calne Children's Centre | 01249 823247 |
| Spring Rise Children's Centre, Chippenham | 01249 464008 |
| The Rise Children's Centre, Chippenham | 01249 463040 |
| Wootton Bassett Children's Centre | 01793 851224 |

East Wiltshire

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| Devizes South Children's Centre | 01380 739835 |
| Windmill Hill Children's Centre, Tidworth | 01980 843010 |

South Wiltshire

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| Bulford Children's Centre | 01980 632660 |
| Little Folly Children's Centre, Salisbury | 01722 414301 |
| Tisbury Children's Centre | 01722 414301 |

West Wiltshire

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| Canberra Children's Centre, Melksham | 01225 705225 |
| Studley Green Children's Centre, Trowbridge | 01225 719753 |



Not sure where your nearest centre is located?

If you are in any doubt about where services are accessible – for example if there is not a permanent building near you – or if you have any questions regarding services on offer, you can contact one of the four central numbers below for swift and friendly information. Advice is also available on employment issues, benefit entitlements and how to access free childcare funding. Don't worry if you aren't sure which area of the county you are in – all the centre staff on hand will be able to help you – wherever you are.

North **01249 463040**

South **01722 414301**

East **01380 739835**

West **01225 719753**

For more information about this service or other Wiltshire Council services can be made available on request in other languages and formats such as large print and audio.

Please contact the council
Tel: **0300 456 0100** or
Email: customerservices@wiltshire.gov.uk

Children's centres in Wiltshire



Getting the best start in life



What are children's centres?

Children's centres and their services in the community are places where parents with children aged 0-5 years can share the challenges and joys of parenthood.

They offer a range of activities and support services to help you with all aspects of parenting to make sure your child gets the best start in life.

Children's centre services in Wiltshire are run on behalf of Wiltshire Council by two voluntary organisations: Spurgeons and The RISE Trust. These two charities receive funding from Wiltshire Council to help all children get the best start in life.

Services offered from centres include:

- General information, advice and support for parents of young children
- Information on how to access childcare provided by nurseries or childminders
- Family support services
- Easy access to children's health services, including midwives and health visitors
- Support for children with special needs including sensory rooms
- Links with Jobcentre Plus, local training providers, further and higher education institutions
- Messy Play and Fun Play Sessions

For more information on your local children's centre and the services provided, please contact the centre on the telephone numbers listed overleaf.

If you are pregnant or have a baby, children's centres can offer you:

- Advice and support on what to expect when you have a new baby and help with infant feeding
- Baby massage classes
- Fun activities to do with your baby such as music and rhyme
- The opportunity to access Baby Steps classes in some centres and community areas



If you have a toddler, children's centres can offer you:

- Parenting programmes and advice to help you understand your child's needs and build your confidence as a parent
- Fun activities to do with your toddler such as play sessions. Some centres and community venues have outside play areas where children can explore and learn.
- Advice on the different types of childcare available in your area
- Access to free early education for two year olds whose families receive particular benefits
- Information about free early education for three or four year olds
- Help with gaining qualifications and considering employment opportunities and benefits

Dads

Dads are really important in children's lives and are welcome to come along and enjoy all the services provided by children's centres.

Families with children with additional needs

- Children's centres can provide support to parents and children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).
- Each children's centre will be able to provide information on Wiltshire's SEND Local Offer
- Some centres hold support groups, and most have sensory rooms fully equipped to provide a safe, comfortable and colourful environment for you and your child to play together.