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Welcome to the April issue of our 'Thinking about Fostering' newsletter!

We're pleased to announce an increase in our fostering payments and allowances, alongside an increase to the tax-free allowance level, as decided by the UK Government.

Plus, join us at our upcoming in-person fostering information event to learn more from current fostering households who specialise in different types of fostering.

With best wishes,

Denise



Thinking
about fostering
but worried
about
finances?



We're pleased to announce our new fostering payments and allowances!

Our fostering payments have increased an average of **3.5%**, and the tax-free allowance for foster carers in England has been raised to **£20,440** by the UK Government.

The **minimum weekly allowance** for a foster carer has increased to **£182 per week**, with the **maximum weekly allowance** going up to **£267 per week**.

Additional weekly skill fees, paid in addition to the weekly allowance, have also increased. These payments are in recognition of our carers' skills, experience and dedication to continuous learning and development.

[Learn more about fostering payments](#)

[Chat to us about payments and allowances](#)

Find Out About Fostering information sessions

Join us at our upcoming in-person information event and learn more about fostering - including eligibility criteria, available payments and allowances, and our 'consistent and reliable' support and guidance (Ofsted, 2024).

Plus, hear real stories and advice from current foster carers who have experience of:

- fostering school aged children
- fostering teenagers
- emergency fostering
- parent and child fostering

All information sessions take place between 6:30pm – 8:30pm.

[In-person: Tuesday 28 April](#)

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