

Introduction

For families with teenagers, the end of high school opens up exciting new opportunities! However, we know the admin that goes alongside this can be challenging for both parents and their children.

This information pack can be used in your communications with parents, to make it easier for them to extend their Child Benefit payments and support their children with preparing for the future. Please feel free to share this information on any of your channels, including:

- [Email/newsletter copy](#)
- [SMS messaging](#)
- [Social media messaging](#)

Email/newsletter

Extend your Child Benefit claim for your teen today.

Parents can [extend their Child Benefit claim](#) if their 16-19-year-old is staying in full-time non-advanced education or approved training.

HMRC sent 1.4 million letters between 24 May and 17 July to parents, explaining how to extend their claim. If you haven't yet, you don't need to worry. You can still extend your Child Benefit via the [HMRC app](#) or [online](#) where eligible.

We know how important Child Benefit can be to families, so let HMRC know by 31 August if your teen intends to stay in approved education or training.

Extending your Child Benefit ensures you won't miss out on any payments from 31 August. However, if your child changes their mind about further education or training, you can simply let HMRC know online or in the app and [post or by phone](#).

Forgotten cash? Helping your teens to claim their Child Trust Fund

If your child was born between 1 September 2002 and 2 January 2011, they may have a surprise windfall waiting for them!

[Child Trust Funds](#) (CTF) are long-term, tax-free saving accounts worth an average of £2,000. If

If your teen is 16 or 17, they can take over responsibility for their CTF account. Once your child is 18, they can access and withdraw the money from their account.

SMS messaging

SMS copy

Is your teen staying in education or training next year? Update your Child Benefit claim to keep receiving payments: <https://ow.ly/VPv550SwWCS>

Help your child check if they have a Child Trust Fund account and make the claim online. Worth an avg. of £2000: <https://ow.ly/PWiA50SwWI3>

Social media messaging

on your own channels. Here is some of our social media messaging:

Social media copy

Starting to get ready for the new school year?

Check if you have forgotten savings in a Child Trust Fund . worth around £2,000 on average.

Claiming Child Trust Fund is easy.

Go to <https://ow.ly/VPv550SwWCS>

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Find out how they can do it themselves and keep every penny: <https://ow.ly/PWiA50SwWI3>