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Supporting Parents and Carers @ Cambridge (SPACE)

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A support and information network for members of the University with caring responsibilities for children or other dependents.

- The aims of the SPACE network are to:
- provide an informal point of information and points of contact
- meet others and share experiences, e.g. do's and don'ts and best practice
- have opportunities to engage with staff from different University support services to find out more about what they can offer

SPACE Resources

- SPACE website bringing together University policy, procedures and other information to support parents and carers at the University

www.space.admin.cam.ac.uk/

- Moodle virtual chat forum (to come)
- SPACE buddies scheme
- Finding good practice survey of departments and campuses
- Athena SWAN
- Family Leave survey – your experiences and feedback

My Family Care

The screenshot shows the landing page for the University of Cambridge's Work+Family Space. At the top left is the logo 'WORK+ FAMILY space' with 'WORK+' in grey, 'FAMILY' in red, and 'space' in blue script. To its right is the University of Cambridge crest and the text 'UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE'. On the top right are two buttons: a blue 'Join today' button with a person icon and a green 'Sign in' button with a lock icon. The main content area features a green background on the left with the text: 'Whatever work+family means to you, we're here to make it *better*'. Below this, it says: 'Whether you need help and support on a regular basis or you just want to be prepared for the unexpected...'. To the right of the text is a photograph of several colorful rubber boots (light blue, red, and dark blue) lined up on a wooden floor. At the bottom of the page, a blue banner contains the text: 'Create *your* Work+Family Space today and discover all these services'.

Your tailored Dashboard

Our services and content is prioritised based on your Life Stages

The dashboard is divided into a sidebar on the left and a main content area on the right. The sidebar has two main sections: 'My Dashboard' and 'My Life Stages'. 'My Dashboard' includes links for 'Benefit Overview', 'My Details', 'My Children', and 'My Topics'. 'My Life Stages' includes 'Planning for Parenthood', 'The Early Years (0-3)', 'Pre-School', 'Primary School', '11+ to Teens', 'My Care', 'Ageing Parents', 'Eldercare', and 'Managers'. The main content area features a red header for 'Emergency Childcare' with a sub-header 'Be prepared for life's little emergencies'. Below this is a text block about booking emergency childcare and a list of categories: Nannies, Nurseries, Childminders, and How to Book. To the right is a 'Book childcare' section with a dropdown menu for 'All childcare', a 'Enter postcode' field, and a 'Search' button. Below the main content area are three smaller tiles: 'Speak to an Expert' with colorful speech bubbles, 'Webinars' with a laptop showing 'Work+Family Webinar' and a teddy bear, and 'Backup Adultcare' with an image of a person's legs in a walker.

My Dashboard

- Benefit Overview
- My Details
- My Children
- My Topics

My Life Stages

- Planning for Parenthood
- The Early Years (0-3)
- Pre-School
- Primary School
- 11+ to Teens
- My Care
- Ageing Parents
- Eldercare
- Managers

Emergency Childcare

Be prepared for life's little emergencies

Book an emergency nanny, nursery or childminder across the country with as little as 2 hours' notice.

Nannies Nurseries
Childminders How to Book

Book childcare

Whichever backup childcare option you choose, it all starts with a simple search:

All childcare

Enter postcode

Search

Speak to an Expert

Webinars

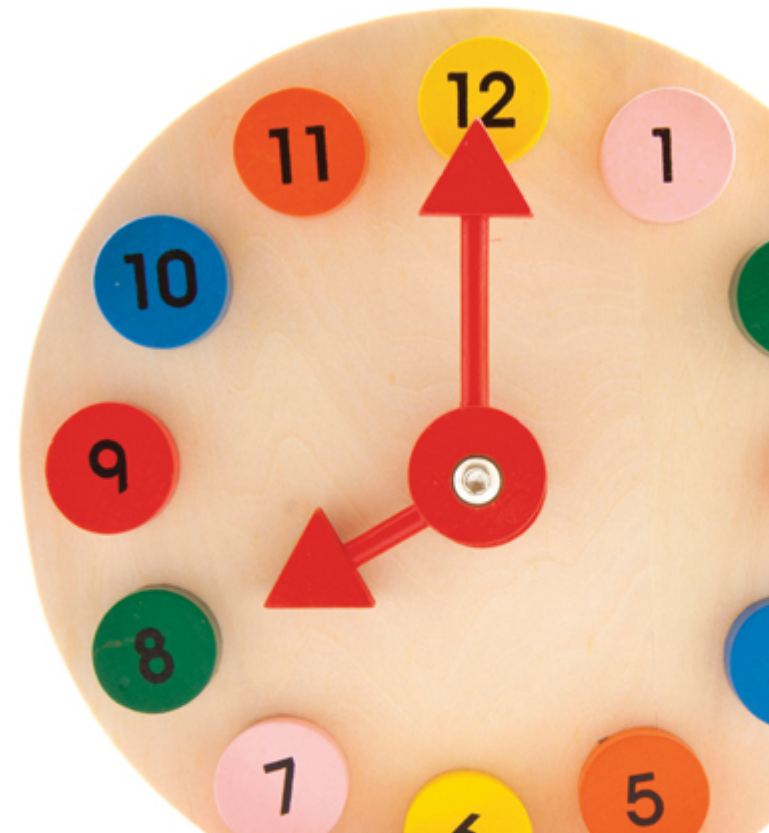
Work+Family Webinar

Backup Adultcare



Backup Care through MFC

- **Emergency Childcare**
 - 1,450+ Ofsted-registered nurseries
 - 2,000+ Ofsted-registered childminders
 - Hundreds of high-calibre, fully vetted nannies
- **School Holiday Cover**
 - 500+ fun packed holiday clubs
- **Backup Adult & Eldercare**
 - Book fully regulated domiciliary care



Financial Matters for Carers

- **Extension of grants**

The Research Councils UK have acknowledged that students and researchers may have family commitments that require them either to go on leave for a prolonged period of time, or to change to a flexible working arrangement. The Wellcome Trust has made similar commitments.

- **Returning Carers' Scheme**

The University introduced the Returning Carers Scheme to aid research and academic staff with caring responsibilities in their career and professional development.

- **Independent Fellowships**

Multiple independent organisations have established fellowships which are awarded to recognise caring responsibilities outside work.

SPACE Mailing List

- Provides information about forthcoming initiatives and events
- To join go to:

www.equality.admin.cam.ac.uk/spacenetwork