

The Home Education Benefits Check-Up

Eight checks to work through once. Tick each one off, note the date or any key dates, and put the important ones in your diary.

Check	Done	Date or notes
1 Child Benefit is claimed by the lower-income parent, or claimed with payment opted out if the High Income Child Benefit Charge applies	☐	
2 National Insurance record and State Pension forecast checked on GOV.UK	☐	
3 Date my youngest turns 12 written in the diary (National Insurance credits stop)	☐	
4 Plan for the gap: work, Carer's Credit, or voluntary contributions	☐	
5 Universal Credit: any agreed work limits written into my Claimant Commitment	☐	
6 Date my eldest turns 16 diarised (Child Benefit stops 31 August unless approved education is confirmed)	☐	
7 Weekly record of subjects and supervised study hours started for 16 and over	☐	
8 Carer's Allowance eligibility checked if my child receives a qualifying disability benefit	☐	

General information only, not financial advice. Benefit rules and rates change, so check GOV.UK or Citizens Advice for the current position.