

Family Advice Service – Money, benefits and debt advice for parents and carers

We know money worries can have a big affect on people's lives. We also know that it can be difficult to take the first steps to sort out your finances. To make it easier for parents and carers with children in primary school, nursery or younger, Renfrewshire Council's Advice Works team is offering free, friendly, confidential and impartial advice for families.

What advice is provided?

Advice Works can assist with a wide variety of enquiries, including but not limited to money, debt, budgeting and benefits. If you have money worries of any kind, please make an appointment and find out if they can help you. They will also be happy to check if you're getting all the benefits you're entitled to, including the new Scottish benefits and things like Council Tax Reduction.

Where can I get advice?

Advice is generally provided over the phone, giving families greater flexibility and choice of where and when suits best to discuss issues and receive the appropriate advice and support without having to travel anywhere. They can also offer online appointments if you're prefer.

How do I make an appointment?

Contact the team by submitting an [online referral form](#), or calling their helpline on 0300 300 1238, or emailing adviceworks@renfrewshire.gov.uk.

If you have any questions at all about the service, please contact Advice Works on 0300 300 1238.

The Goethe-Institut offers a range of initiatives to support the teaching and learning of German in schools. The following opportunities for teachers are available this term:

- [German Teachers' Day for Primary School Teachers](#) - in-person event at the Goethe-Institut Glasgow, 14 September 2024, 10:00-16:00. Register by 6 September.
- [Let's Give German a Go - in Berlin!](#) - fully-funded trip to Berlin 10-16 November for primary and secondary school teachers and head teachers that is geared towards introducing German in schools or strengthening its status. Apply by 31 August.
- [Teaching German to Children with Felix and Franzi](#) - six-week online training course commencing 9 September teaches educators to effectively incorporate "German with Felix & Franzi" into primary education. Experience interactive learning and enrich your teaching through peer collaboration. Register by 3 September.