

CHANGES INTRODUCED IN BUDGET 2020

AMENDMENT SHEET TO TREOIR INFORMATION PACK 2019

Increases to social welfare payments in January 2020

Page 21 **PARENTAL LEAVE**

Parents are entitled to 22 weeks of parental leave for each eligible child.

Page 22 **ONE-PARENT FAMILY PAYMENT (OPF)**

The current maximum rate of OPF per week for a parent and one child under 12 is **€239**

The current maximum rate of OPF for a parent and one child over 12 is **€243**

For each additional child under twelve you get €36 a week, and for a child over twelve €40

Page 24 **MEANS TEST: What counts as means for OPF**

The first €165 of your gross weekly earnings is disregarded.

If you earn between €165 and €425 per week you may qualify for a reduced payment.

Page 24 **BACK TO WORK FAMILY DIVIDENT (BTWFD)**

BTWFD is €36 for a child under 12 and €40 for a child 12 and over.

Page 24 **WORKING FAMILY PAYMENT**

For a family with one child, wages after tax, OPF and maintenance must be less than €531 a week.

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FULL TIME THIRD LEVEL EDUCATION

No funding has been allocated for the 20/21 academic year for the 1916 Bursary Scheme

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CETS AND THE NATIONAL CHILDCARE SCHEME (NCS)

CETS is closed to new entrants but you can apply for support to [ncs.gov.ie](https://www.ncs.gov.ie)