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Gloucestershire
COUNTY COUNCIL

Early Years Provider update

Provider Update 60 - 24 January 2025



Dear provider,

We hope everyone is well. We can't believe that it's just 1 more week until the end of January! The service is busy out visiting settings and children. There is a lot of information and training to share this week so do read to the bottom of the email.

Early Education and Child Development team

Ben Kingston-Hughes – Mathtastics in Early Years

Many of you were lucky enough to meet Ben at the Early Years conference back in 2024 and some of you attended his hands on session learning about maths in early years. Ben has agreed to come back to

Gloucestershire and offer another 2 sessions which can be booked now;

[Wednesday 14th May from 10-12](#) or [Wednesday 14th May 1-3](#) at Gloucester Farmers Club. Don't delay booking as we know this is going to be popular.

Safeguarding training – more dates added, including Saturdays.

The GSCP training team have just released more training dates (including Saturdays on CPIA level 3) These can be booked [here](#)

GSCP Prevent webinar – 21st January

A huge thanks to everyone who was able to join the Prevent webinar delivered by Cheri Fayers from the DfE. Unfortunately, the team were unable to record this morning's session due to the sensitivity of some of the information on the slides used in the presentation. Cheri has sent an amended presentation which you can obtain by emailing and given permission for the slides to be shared, and you can use them in staff meetings etc but they must not be posted anywhere that is public facing as they are security marked Official. If you would like copies of these please email EarlyYearsQuality@gloucestershire.gov.uk

DSL hub meeting Wednesday 29th January

The Safeguarding in Education team will be delivering the first DSL support hub of 2025 on Wednesday 29th January 2025. These 30 minute sessions run every other Wednesday throughout the academic year (term time only) – there will be input from GHLL, Early Help, Community Social Workers and Police decision makers within the MASH, who alongside the GSEP team will be passing on current information, guidance and policies.

The next DSL Support Hub meeting is at 8.30am on Wednesday 29th January 2025. Log in details below;

Microsoft Teams [Need help?](#)

[Join the meeting now](#)

Meeting ID: 370 572 300 844

Passcode: BLozNB

Join on a video conferencing device

Tenant key: gloucestershire@m.webex.com

Video ID: 123 889 287 7

[More info](#)

Have you completed your safeguarding declaration? (previously known as the audit) Reminder

This audit is to be used as a reflective tool in your setting where areas for improvement can be identified and used to make changes to keep children safe. The Early Years Quality team have been given access to the spreadsheet which shows who has completed the audit so far, who has made a good start, and who is yet to log on. We understand some of you do not have a log in yet and would advise you to [register](#) as soon as possible. *For those of you who have requested a log in, please be patient as this may take a few days to be set up.* If you do require any support in completion, or need any further guidance please contact EarlyYearsQuality@gloucestershire.gov.uk and one of the EY Quality leads will contact you.

Training and other opportunities!

SIOT Level 1 - 30 January 2025 16:00 - 18:00 - Oakwood Primary School, Cotswold Road, Cheltenham, GL52 5HD [**Book here**](#)

Behavioural Change in Early Years: Supporting Children with Additional Needs - 5 February 10:00 - 12:00, Gloucester Farmers club (FAR01 / Main reception) , Agricultural House, Greville Close, Gloucester, Gloucestershire, GL2 9RG - [**Book here**](#)

Behavioural Change in Early Years: Supporting Children with Additional Needs - 5 February 13:00 - 15:00, Gloucester Farmers club (FAR01 / Main reception) , Agricultural House,

Greville Close, Gloucester, Gloucestershire, GL2 9RG - [Book here](#)

SIOT Level 2 - 13 February 2025 - 16:00 - 18:00 - Chesterton Primary School, Apsley Road, Cirencester, Gloucestershire, GL7 1SS [Book here](#)

Childminder Network Meeting (Teams) - 25 February 7.00 - 8.00pm (via Teams) [Book here](#)

Early Years SENCO Cluster Meeting - 4 March 4.00 - 5.30pm - Mary P's Day Nursery (Ashchurch Parkway, Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire, GL20 8TU) [Book here](#)

Leaders and Managers Network Meeting - 5 March 1.00pm - 3.30pm - University of Gloucestershire Oxstalls Campus, Oxstalls Lane, Longlevens GL2 9HW [Book here](#)

Early Years SENCO Cluster Meeting - 6 March 6.30pm - 8.00pm - Chesterton Primary School, (Aspley Road, Cirencester, GL7 1SS) [Book here.](#)

Mathtastics in Early Years - Wednesday 14th May - Gloucester Farmers Club. 10am - 12noon - [Book here](#) or 1pm - 3pm - [Book here](#)

Total Communication Training in the Early Years

You can book Total Communication in the Early Years training through GCC+. To do this you will need to log into your setting's GCC+ account and then type Total Communications into the search bar. You will then see the link for this service.

Once you have booked and checked out, please contact eyesadvice@goucestershire.gov.uk to arrange a date and time for delivery of the course.

Please note - most training and all events (excluding some meetings) are subject to a charge. Please check the price when you make your booking. If you are in any doubt, please email eyservice@goucestershire.gov.uk

The standard GCC Cancellation Policy will apply:

- 100% refund 10 days or more before the course starts.

- 50% refund between 9 and 5 days before the course starts.
- 0% refund between 4 and 2 days before the course starts.
- 0% refund between 1 day or fewer before the course starts.



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