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## Early Years Newsletter

6 October 2023



### Welcome to Provider Update 5 (2023/24)

We hope everyone is well.

Here are your updates.

Have a great weekend!

The Early Years Team

## Early Years Entitlements – Early Years Apprenticeships campaign toolkit

Dear colleagues,

The Department for Education has launched a digital and social media campaign promoting Early Years Educator apprenticeships.

The campaign aims to raise awareness of Early Years Educator apprenticeships, showcase how varied and rewarding a career in early years and childcare can be, and highlight the added benefits of the Level 3 apprenticeship route. The social media adverts will run until mid-December 2023 and will be followed up by a larger scale multi-media campaign from early 2024.

We would be grateful for your support to promote the campaign, and have produced the attached toolkit that provides resources to help with your promotional and recruitment needs. It will help you to:

- **Support the campaign on social media:** social media graphics can be downloaded from the attached toolkit for you to post organically, or you can amplify our posts via our social media channels. (Assets can also be printed and used locally).
- **Share this toolkit with your own stakeholders:** please share this toolkit with your relevant contacts who may like to use the creative assets in their own recruitment activity.

We hope they are useful and thank you for your support.

[Early Years Educator Apprenticeships - Recruitment campaign toolkit 2023 \(pdf\)](#)

If you have any questions or comments on the campaign, please contact:  
[external.affairs@service.education.gov.uk](mailto:external.affairs@service.education.gov.uk)

## Domestic Abuse support for Children and Young People in Gloucestershire

As part of a consultation to explore the domestic abuse services for Children and Young People in Gloucestershire two surveys have been created, one for professionals and one for parents. We want to better understand the needs of children, aged 11 years or under, who have lived with, or are living with domestic abuse within their home in Gloucestershire and the local support we have on offer for these children. We wish to gain professionals' views and expertise on accessing and providing services to support children following them experiencing domestic abuse. Essentially we want to know what you think we have in place in the county and what children's needs are in relation to domestic abuse in Gloucestershire. We also want to gain an understanding of parents' experiences of accessing services to support their child/children and the support they feel their child/children needed in response to their experience of domestic abuse.

Please could you complete the professional's survey if appropriate and share it with any colleagues/partners that could give their views. If you work with parents and/or families that have been affected by domestic abuse could you please also share the link and QR code for the parent's survey with them if safe to do so.

- [Feedback - CYPDA for Parents](#)
- [Feedback - CYPDA for Professionals](#)

Thank you in advance for your support. If you have any questions please let me know.

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## Ready For Learning

As you are hopefully now aware, we have developed an exciting new tool to support early identification of children who may need additional help and input in their pre-school year as part of good quality, inclusive practice. The Ready for Learning questionnaire focuses on four key areas: cognition and language, emotional resilience, daily living skills and family support, and should be completed for each child in your setting throughout their pre-school year. We are hosting several online drop-in sessions as an opportunity for you to ask any questions, get clarification on any part of the process, and chat to other providers who are also using the RFL tool. There is no need to book; just join using the links below.

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October**  
**11.30am-12.30pm**

Microsoft Teams meeting

**Join on your computer,  
mobile app or room device**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October**  
**1.30pm-2.30pm**

Microsoft Teams meeting

**Join on your computer,  
mobile app or room device**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October**  
**7pm-8pm**

Microsoft Teams meeting

**Join on your computer,  
mobile app or room device**

[Click here to join the meeting](#) [Click here to join the meeting](#) [Click here to join the meeting](#)

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Passcode: sXKfq6

Meeting ID: 356 869 208 422  
Passcode: ZGetrm

Meeting ID: 366 439 163 342  
Passcode: ATgRFg

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Before attending a drop-in session please do watch the following video explaining the RFL toolkit:

- [RFL Toolkit Video](#)

The Ready for Learning resources can be found on our website:

- [Ready for Learning | Early Years Service \(gloucestershire.gov.uk\)](#)

## Strengthening Parents' relationships – Practitioner training – new dates available

Strengthening Parents' Relationships - Practitioner Training November 2023

### Who is the training for?

This training is for anyone who provides direct and targeted work with parents or families.

### What can I expect to learn?

Focusing on the causes of relationship distress, this workshop equips Practitioners with the skills to work with parents to identify and explore relationship distress.

- Engaging with fathers and other significant males
- An overview of the **Amity Relationship Toolkit** which is used by frontline family support workers in Gloucestershire.
- Understanding the difference between domestic abuse and conflict
- Identifying and managing risk with complex couple conflict

On completion of the training, practitioners will be provided an electronic version of the Amity Relationship Toolkit and a certificate.

### How is the training delivered?

This is a digital training, which takes place on Microsoft Teams.

### When is the training?

Next course 16/11/2023 09.30-13.00

### How do I book?

Please follow this link [Glofamilies Directory | Course Bookings](#)

[Parents' Relationships Matter Programme | Glofamilies Directory](#)

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## Childhood Immunisations

Childhood Immunisation invite letters are now available in **EasyRead, Braille Grade 1 and 2, Large Font (16, 20, 24 and 28) and Yellow Background**, in line with the Accessible Information Standard.

Providing information in a way that parents and carers will understand is key to increase immunisation uptake, promote health protection and reduce health inequalities.

[CHIS Accessible Letters Poster BGSW \(pdf\)](#)

## Dingley's Promise Mark of Achievement



### Dingley's Promise Training Mark of Achievement

As part of developmental changes to our training programme, we are proud to launch our new **Mark of Achievement**! Early years settings and childminders have the opportunity to earn this award and receive a certificate, window sticker to display in their setting, and notepads and pens to congratulate them on their success. Settings currently working towards the Mark of Achievement can carry on with the training as usual, there is nothing they need to do differently. We will also be sharing our new branding with settings who have previously earned an award from Dingley's Promise Training, and they will receive a new certificate and window sticker. For more information on requirements see our new leaflet:

[Mark of Achievement Guidance](#)



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