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Good morning!

Welcome to this week's Business Newsletter.

If you have any questions, please contact [Business Support Team](#), [Wraparound Support Team](#) or [Early Years Admin Team](#).

Early Years Capital Grant Applications

The grant application form for the early year's capital grant has been finalised and you can access the link [here](#).

We have also set up a dedicated email address for any queries regarding applications. Please click [here](#).

Childminders

Please ensure if you are a registered childminder offering additional child-minding services from another address that Ofsted have all relevant addresses on record.

Coming soon there will be a short survey for childminders who work with assistants, please look out for this in the coming weeks.

Reviewing Menu Costs

Many settings are reviewing their cash flows currently, for those calculating menu costs these government documents are useful to ensure menus are both nutritionally balanced and correctly costed.

[Early Years Menus - Part 1](#)

[Early Years Menus - Part 2](#)

Jobcentre Plus- Staff Recruitment

Are you having trouble recruiting staff for your business? It's a national problem, with the potential for it to get worse as government funding offers expand.

Here at Jobcentre Plus we are keen to understand your recruitment issues and work with you to help fill your vacancies.

We would like anyone interested in attending an online event, to share your views, talk about the issues, learn from others, and agree some ways forward to work with Jobcentre Plus to contact [Deborah Robinson](#) and [Lucy Martin](#) by 31 August 2024.

Wraparound news

The deadline for all applications for the wraparound funding is 19 July.

Please take a look at the [Wraparound web pages](#) as we have added in more support documents and guidance. We are going through applications for funding as they come in to check they are meeting the criteria.

Can we ask that you read the guidance carefully and include everything that is needed to meet the funding criteria. We will contact you if there is anything that we need you to add or if there is information missing.

To help we have created this [form](#) that you can use alongside business plans to make sure that we get the full information needed to support your applications.

If you would like to discuss anything further or have a face to face meeting please email the [Wraparound Team](#).

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Business Team Network Meetings

We look forward to welcoming more of you to these meetings over the coming months. Please let us know of any specific areas you would like to discuss, send any suggestions to the [EY business inbox](#).

The dates and booking links are as follows:

9 July 2024 - 7pm to 8pm - book [here](#).

20 August 2024 - 7pm to 8pm - book [here](#).

19 September 2024 - 7pm to 8pm - book [here](#).

15 October 2024 - 7pm to 8pm - book [here](#).

26 November 2024 - 7pm to 8pm - book [here](#).

17 December 2024 - 7pm to 8pm - book [here](#).

As these are online meetings and bookings will close the day before. We will send out the links on the morning of each event. If you need to book late at any time, please email the [Early Years Admin Team](#).

Useful Contacts

Gloucestershire Early Years: [Early Years and Childcare | Early Years Service](#) (gloucestershire.gov.uk)

Childcare Works: Useful tools for settings regarding business: [HUB for Providers - childcareworks.org.uk](#)

Office for Standards in Education (Ofsted): Ofsted inspects and regulates services that care for children and young people [Ofsted - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

PATA: PATA now has support tools available to purchase for non-members as well as members, including sample policies tailored specifically for Gloucestershire. [PATA \(UK\) - Home \(pataglos.org.uk\)](#) These and other resources are available at [\(PATA \(UK\) - Shop \(pataglos.org.uk\)\)](#) We'll be adding more policies and other bundles of documents over the next few months.

The Early Years Alliance: This charity is the largest early year's membership organisation that offers information and advice to the early years sector [Early Years Alliance | \(eyalliance.org.uk\)](#)

National Day Nurseries Association (NDNA): A charity and membership association for the nursery sector and people working in early years [National Day Nurseries Association - NDNA](#)

Professional Association for Childcare Professionals (PACEY): A charity providing membership support that represents childminders and childcare professionals [Professional Association for Childcare and Early Years | PACEY](#)

Childcare Choices: A website that provides information to parents and the early years and childcare sector on support available to pay for childcare [Homepage | Childcare Choices](#)

GOV.UK: A sector information website where parents and the early years sector can find details of government services [Welcome to GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC): Provides information, advice and targeted financial support to families and individuals [HM Revenue & Customs - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Charity Commission: The commission registers and regulates charities in England and Wales [The Charity Commission - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Companies House: Companies house incorporates companies and makes company information available to the public [Companies House - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (ACAS): Provides free and impartial information to employers and employees on all aspects of work-based relationships and employment law [Acas | Making working life better for everyone in Britain](#)



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