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Good morning!

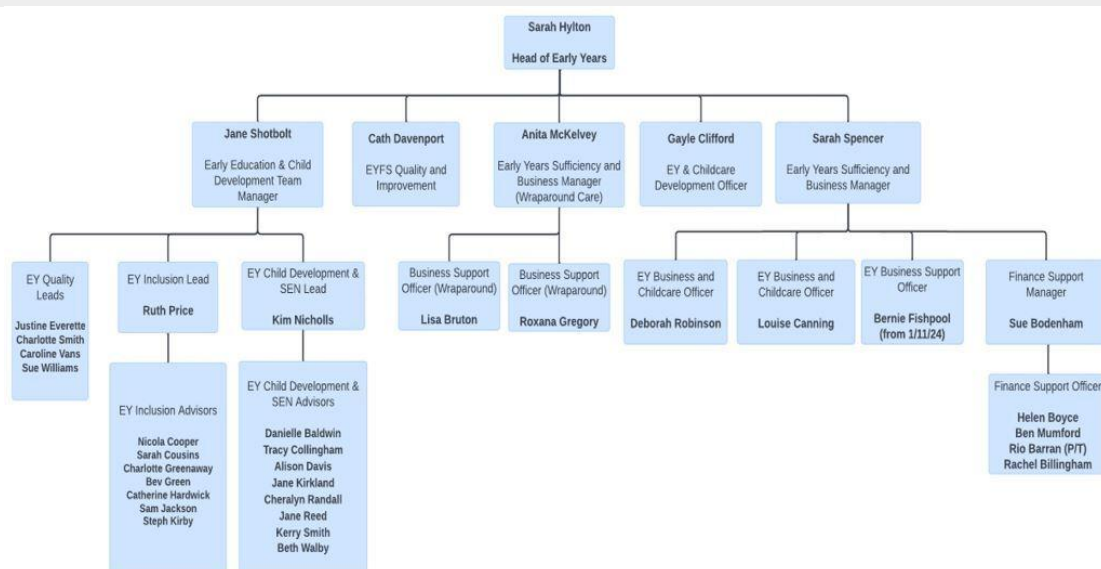
Welcome to this week's Business Newsletter.

If you have any questions, please email the [Early Years Administrators](#).

Business Support and Funding Team News

Welcome to the start of a new academic year!

A number of settings have contacted us and asked for an updated structure chart for the Early Years Team. Click [here](#) to access pdf copy.



New training courses from the Business Support and Funding Teams

We have developed a range of refreshed courses for the new year as follows:

In person training

Developing and Upskilling Your Team to Promote Staff Engagement and Retention -
18 November 2024 - 2pm to 4pm - Shire Hall - Book [here](#).

Developing Your Early Years Business in a Climate of Change - 11 November 2024 -
2pm to 4pm - Book [here](#).

Provider Portal - Claiming the funded entitlements and using the Self Update Portal - 25 October 2024 - 10am to 12noon - Shire Hall - Book [here](#).

Online training

Committee Roles and Responsibilities and their Role in Supporting Provision - 12 November 2024 - 4pm to 6pm - Online - Book [here](#).

Developing and Upskilling Your Team to Promote Staff Engagement and Retention -
22 November 2024 - 2pm to 4pm - Online - Book [here](#).

Developing Your Early Years Business in a Climate of Change - 26 November 2024 -
4pm to 6pm - Book [here](#).

Where the course is online delegates will receive the links to the training on the morning of the event.

Additional training will be offered under the title **Personal Development for Aspiring Leaders** designed for setting staff who are interested in taking Lead or Deputy roles. Look out for this in a future Business News Tuesday bulletin.

Don't Forget! Early Years Capital Grant

We have created a website with pages on the information/ guidance and application templates required to submit a grant application:

[Expanded entitlement | Early Years Service \(gloucestershire.gov.uk\)](#)

We are inviting grant applications from 1 September - 27 September 2024 with the grant panel on 11 October.

Business Team Network Meetings

As requested, please find below the details of the upcoming Business Team Network Meetings, including the focus for each meeting. If you have any queries or suggestions for other meeting topics, please email the [team](#).

Wraparound news from the team – Anita, Roxy and Lisa

Applications round 2: Now open until 27 Sept 2024.

The Grant Panel will meet to review these applications on the 11 Oct 2024.

From our first set of applications here are some reminders for those of you applying this time:

Remember to

- show how the wraparound care links to schools
- show that the wraparound care is covering 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, term time for school age children – Reception to Year 6
- make sure you have registered with Ofsted and HMRC
- show how you are providing care that is inclusive and meets the needs of SEND children.

Many thanks to those of you who attended our sessions on the application process – we hope you found it useful.

The business plan (NEW NWCP Application Business Plan) for applications is included [here](#) for you.

Please get in touch if you would like further support or help in completing the business plan or submitting your applications – please email the [Wraparound Team](#).

As well as the new **Parent Tile** with information for parents (links below) we have also put out a parent survey to gather information from parents about wraparound care they may use or want to use.



Use the link below to access the web page.

[Wraparound care childcare | Gloucestershire County Council](#)

Please share this survey link with your parents so we can gather as much information as possible to ensure we can support families to be able to have access to before and after school care across the county.

[Wraparound Childcare Feedback Survey | Have Your Say Gloucestershire \(engagementhq.com\)](#)

Provider survey - DfE Funding

For those providers who have/or will receive funding DfE have asked for a provider survey to be completed termly, starting from the Autumn Term 2024. We are in the process of sending links to the survey to providers with guidance on how to complete it. Please look out for this in the next few weeks.

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](#).

Please look out for the focus for the next meeting, our September meeting will focus on the EY capital grant funding process.

The dates and booking links are as follows:

19 September 2024 - 7pm to 8pm - book [here](#). **The focus will be: Sufficiency Grant 2024-25 Information- opportunity to find out more about the grant.**

15 October 2024 - 7pm to 8pm - book [here](#). **The focus will be: Nursery Funding Focus- opportunity to speak with Sue Bodenham regarding any queries.**

26 November 2024 - 7pm to 8pm - book [here](#). **The focus will be: Business Planning for SEND.**

10 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.

Out of School Alliance: Provides information and support to individuals and organisations setting up and running out of school clubs, including breakfast clubs, after school clubs, holiday clubs and playschemes. [Out of School Alliance | The web site of Out of School Alliance](#)

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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