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Early Years Newsletter

15 December 2023



Welcome to Provider Update 15 (2023/24)

Dear Provider,

We hope you are enjoying this busy time of the year. We have enjoyed seeing the Christmas spirit when out and about visiting.

Sue, Kim and Justine (The Early Years Service)

Early Years in Mind

Early Years in Mind is a voluntary panel of Early Years practitioners from across the UK. It aims to champion mental health and well-being in EY settings and local communities. If you would like to receive regular information, please sign up through the Anna Freud Centre UK website on [Early Years in Mind](#). In the meantime, take a look at the great work they are already doing below. We have some updates for you for the coming weeks and into the new year, including:

- [The launch of our latest resource Deafness and me](#)
- [An update on our Early Years in Mind Panel](#)
- [Details of our next webinar](#)
- [Parental Embodied Mentalizing Assessment \(PEMA\) training](#)
- [Free Campaign for Learning webinar](#)

DSL hub meeting

The Safeguarding in Education team will be delivering the last DSL support hub of 2023 on Wednesday 20th December 2023. 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 20th December 2023. The session will be re-run at 4.30pm (with minimum of 6 delegates). There is no need to attend both sessions as the 4.30pm session will be a repeat of 8.30am session.

To join the session:-

Please use the following log in details to access the session as a guest user:

<https://gccplustraining.org/course/view.php?id=374>

Password: SupportAll

Then, to join the event:

- click the 'BigBlueButton' (DSL Support Hub Meeting Room),
- click Join Session,
- choose to join with microphone option. Please allow the ECHO test to fully complete and you will enter the room.

Please do not set up your own account on GCCPlus Training as this account will not be enrolled to the training course. Access to the session is through the details above.

We advise that you take a moment to log on 24 hours before the event to ensure that you have access. Should you have any difficulties, please contact us via gsep@gloucestershire.gov.uk before the session. Unfortunately, once the session starts we are unable to sort queries as we shall be delivering the session.

This session will be recorded. The notes and recording will be made available on our Safeguarding in Education Traded Service page on the GCC Plus system later that day.

Early Years inspection handbook

Please note the Early Years inspected handbook has been updated and the latest publication to be used from January 2024 can be found using the link;

[Early years inspection handbook for January 2024 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-inspection-handbook)



Dingley's Promise Training Mark of Achievement

We are delighted to let you all know that Nuffy Bears Day Nursery are the first EY Provider in Gloucestershire to gain the Dingley's Promise Training Mark of Achievement!!



This is a fantastic accomplishment and I am sure you will all want to join us in congratulating the team on their hard work and commitment to the children in their setting.

Please sign up for this training if you have not already done so on the following hyperlink:

[Early Years Inclusion Programme - Dingley's Promise](#)



Training & Development

We have a number of Early Years training courses running in the New Year that are available to book now;

Business Planning 19 January 2024 [Book via: Business Planning Training](#)

Safeguarding Module for Early Years Practitioners 19 January 2024 [Book via: Safeguarding Module for EY Providers](#)

Sensory Integration Training 23 January 2024 [Book via: Sensory Integration Training](#)

Christmas Cover

If you need to contact us over the Christmas period, please see the attached [Early Years Christmas Cover Rota](#)



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