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Gloucestershire
COUNTY COUNCIL

Early Years Provider update

Provider Update 64 - 21 February 2025



Dear provider,

We hope you are all enjoying the week. Some of you would have been on a half term break recharging before starting the 2nd part of the Spring term.

Early Education and Child Development team

DSL support hub - Wednesday 26th February

The Safeguarding in Education team will be delivering the next DSL support hub on Wednesday 26th February 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 26th February 2025. Log in details below.

Microsoft Teams [Need help?](#)

[Join the meeting now](#)

Meeting ID: 370 572 300 844

Passcode: BLozNB

Families in Partnership Newsletter-February.

The latest Families In Partnership newsletter was published on 7 February: [Families in Partnership newsletter February 2025 | Gloucestershire County Council](#).

Please email us at familiesinpartnership@gloucestershire.gov.uk with any feedback, queries or additions to the mailing list.

When do you need to notify Ofsted

A new post, “When do you need to notify Ofsted?” has just been published on the Ofsted: early years blog.

We know that keeping children safe and happy is the biggest priority for all of you in helps them to develop the skills they need as ...

Read the new post: <https://earlyyears.blog.gov.uk/2025/02/14/when-do-you-need-to-notify-ofsted/>

Training and other opportunities!

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.](#)

SIOT Level 2 - 6 March 4.00pm - 6.00pm - Alderman Knight School (46 Ashchurch Road, Tewkesbury, England, GL20 8JJ) [Book here](#)

Early Years SENCO Cluster Meeting - 10 March 4.00 - 5.30pm Hesters Way Children Centre (Dill Avenue, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL51 0ES) (Elliott Building) [Book here](#)

Early Years SENCO Cluster Meeting - 11 March 6.00pm - 8.00pm Slimbridge Primary School, St John's Road, Slimbridge, GL2 7DD [Book here](#)

Early Years SENCO Cluster Meeting - 12 March 4.00 - 5.30pm Stow Nursery, Stow on The Wold Primary School (St Edwards Drive, Stow-On-The-Wold, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL54 1AW) [Book here](#)

Early Years SENCO Cluster Meeting - 13 March 4.00 - 5.30pm Great Oldbury Primary Academy (Great Oldbury Primary Academy Veterans Way, Stonehouse, England, GL10 3WH) [Book here](#)

Early Years SENCO Cluster Meeting - 18 March 4.00 - 5.30pm Longford Park Primary Academy (Clock Tower Road, Gloucester, Gloucestershire, GL2 9FP) [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

Exciting news to all providers! You can now book Total Communication in the Early Years through GCC+. To do this you will need to log into your setting's GCC+ account. Go to the **search bar** on the **home page**, and

type in Total Communications and **press the search key**. You will then see the link for the Total Communications for you to book. ***(Please note – if you search in the ‘training section’ or the ‘services’ section, you won’t find it. It must be searched for in the home page search and the search key pressed).*** ***NB - If you just press enter, it won’t find it.***

The training will help your staff to develop their skills by exploring:

- How children develop their communication skills
- How to provide good quality adult:child interactions
- How to provide a communication friendly environment, using a range of communication methods including signs
- Why and how to use visuals

This session will also enable you to add resources to your practitioner communication tool kit and each delegate will receive a certificate for their CPD.

Once you have booked and checked out your training, you will be contacted by an EY Inclusion Advisor to arrange the date and time for the delivery of your course. If you have not heard from us within 2 weeks, please contact the EY Admin Team: eyservice@gloucestershire.gov.uk.

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@gloucestershire.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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