

Early Years News

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Summer Final Payment

You will have received your final payment breakdown for the summer term. Please ensure that you check this is correct and if not please amend the adjustment task accordingly.

Summer adjustment task live

You can now make adjustments to the Headcount. This will be open until 5pm on Wednesday 12th June.

Autumn period calendar

Headcount and payment dates are included in the calendar, which can be downloaded here.

School Leavers

Please remember to add an end date to all children who will be leaving your setting for school. To ensure you have a sustainable cashflow, you will receive 100% initial payment for all children remaining in your setting.

You will need to consider the amount of leavers in the summer period and the starters for the autumn period. If you have 20 leaving in July, but 20 starting in September roughly doing the same hours, you may not wish to add an end date at this stage, so that you can remain sustainable at the beginning of the autumn.

Autumn period validation

Please remind new parents that they must apply with the HMRC by the 31st August to be eligible for 30 hours in the autumn period. We would recommend them applying by end of July.

There continues to be a relatively high number of codes that have not been re-validated and have passed their grace period. Although we know this is the parent's responsibility you can use the expiration dashboard to keep you up to date with the current situation.

Training

Courses running this term available to book now

Course Code	Course Title	Day	Date	Time	Venue	DirectBook link
8215	Safeguarding Children: Designated Safeguarding Lead	Thurs	6.6.19	9.30am - 4.30pm	Gorse Covert, Loughborough	Book Now
8217	Safeguarding Children: Childminder Designated Safeguarding Lead	Sat	8.6.19	9.00am - 2.00pm	The Samworth Centre, Melton	Book Now
8244	SEND training for EY SENCOSs and Managers	Mon	10.6.19 & 17.6.19	9.30am - 12.30pm followed by 9.30am - 4.30pm	Syston Town Council	Book Now
8210	Essential Safeguarding Awareness	Tues	11.6.19	9.30am - 4.30pm	The King's Centre, Wigston	Book Now
8257	SEND Drop In Event	Tues	11.6.19	9.30am - 12.30pm	Hinckley Golf Club	Book Now
8225	Paediatric First Aid in Childcare - 12 Hour	Wed	19.6.19 & 26.6.19	9.30am - 4.30pm	George Ward Centre, Barwell	Book Now
8221	Committee Workshop	Sat	22.6.19	9.30am - 12.30pm	DBS Managed Offices, Glenfield	Book Now
8211	Essential Safeguarding Awareness	Wed	26.6.19	9.30am - 4.30pm	DBS Castle Donington	Book Now

8216	Safeguarding Children: Designated Safeguarding Lead	Sat	29.6.19	9.30am - 4.30pm	George Ward Centre, Barwell	Book Now
8200	Observation Assessment & Planning	Sat	29.6.19		Marlene Reid Centre, Coalville	Book Now
8212	Essential Safeguarding Awareness	Mon	1.7.19	9.30am - 4.30pm	Melton Carnegie Museum	Book Now
8253	SEND training for Childminders	Sat	6.7.19	9.30am - 11.30am	The Belmont Hotel	Book Now

Partner training

Early Years Physical Activity, Health and Wellbeing Conference 2019

Including the Early Years Physical Activity Awards

Saturday 15th June 2019 King Power Stadium, Leicester 9:00am - 2:00pm

The Conference is an opportunity for Early Years practitioners to come together to learn from experienced professionals around the importance of keeping children active and improving their health and wellbeing.

https://www.lrsport.org/earlyyearsconference

Loughborough College has a fantastic range of Distance Learning Courses available FREE OF CHARGE*
These are self-study knowledge based short courses lasting 12-16 weeks. You will receive distance learning resources and assessment papers which can be completed paper based or electronically. Courses are offered as paper-based, online assessments with paper resources and fully online.

Free Funding* - Funding is free subject to availability based on the below criteria;

- Learners must be over 19 years old at the start of the current academic year
- Learners must have been in the UK for 3 or more years
- · Learners must not have completed the course previously with us or another provider
- · Learners complete all assessments enabling the certification to be claimed

Charges will apply if after enrolment, it is advised that the course has been completed previously. Learners sign a declaration on enrolment to confirm that failure to complete the course will result in charges.

For further details please refer to the flyer attached.

Safeguarding

Online safety resources

The National Crime Agency (NCA) has launched new resources aimed at helping 4- to 7-year-olds stay safe online. <u>Jessie & Friends</u> involves three animated videos, each aimed at a different age group, covering: watching videos, sharing pictures and playing games. Accompanying resources include: lesson plans, information for parents and carers and storybooks.

Photography and sharing images

The NSPCC has updated its guidance on photography and sharing images of children. The guidance covers: the risks of sharing images, seeking consent to take photographs and storing images. MSPCC Learning: Photography and sharing images guidance

Local News

Chatty childminder surgeries

The chatty childminder surgeries will be running again this term. The surgeries are specifically for childminders. The aim of the surgery is for childminders to come together to share good practice, discuss any issues, share experiences of Ofsted in particular the new Education Inspection Framework that comes into force in September and to find out about new initiatives.

There will be advisors from the Early years and inclusion and childcare service there to answer queries and give advice. There will be a flyer sent to you before the meeting, however you can call Helen Kruse on 0116 305673 or email helenkruse@leics.gov.uk to book on. If you have any specific questions you want to ask at the meeting please let Helen know.

Chatty Childminders Surgery	Tues	11.6.19	7.00pm - 8.30pm	Thomas Estley Broughton Astley
Chatty Childminders Surgery	Wed	12.6.19	7.00pm - 8.30pm	Syston Town Council
Chatty Childminders Surgery	Wed	12.6.19	7.00pm - 8.30pm	The King's Centre, Wigston
Chatty Childminders Surgery	Mon	17.6.19	7.00pm - 8.30pm	Blaby Westfield House Hotel
Chatty Childminders Surgery	Tues	25.6.19	7.00pm - 8.30pm	Marlene Reid Centre, Coalville
Chatty Childminders Surgery	Tues	25.6.19	7.00pm - 8.30pm	The Samworth Centre, Melton
Chatty Childminders Surgery	Wed	26.6.19	7.00pm - 8.30pm	St Francis Community Centre

Writing effective progress summaries

The EYFS requires practitioners to review children's progress and share a summary with parents at two key points, between the ages of 24 and 36 months and at the end of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) in the EYFS profile.

Beyond this, the progress summary is a valuable document which celebrates children's development; offers parents an opportunity to further discuss with practitioners and other professionals; and provides practitioners with an opportunity to reflect on success, next steps and future goals.

An effective progress summary will share accurate levels of development, will be informed by holistic knowledge of the child both at the setting and at home, and will reflect a practitioner who is highly attuned to the child.

Progress from the Start is a programme designed by Leicestershire County Council which will support you in tracking children's progress and planning for their development in the EYFS.

For further information and sample progress summaries, please visit www.leics.gov.uk/pfts

Children in Care

Those of you who have Children in Care in your setting will be familiar with the PeP process and will have attended a PeP meeting facilitated by either Jill Thompson or Helen Moses. In September the responsibility of Children in Care will be passed over from the Early Learning Inclusion and Childcare Service to the The Virtual School who currently support Children in Care in Primary schools. This will mean that the Peps will be carried out by that team from September. In the meantime, the peps will continue as usual as will the support from your Improvement Advisor. We will inform you nearer the time with more details.

National News

Ofsted: Early Years Inspection Myths

Ofsted has produced a <u>document</u> to confirm the facts about early years inspections and to dispel myths that can sometimes result in unnecessary workload for registered child carers.

It should be read alongside the early years inspection handbook.

Calls for more men in childcare

More men are to be encouraged in to a careers in nurseries and early years settings, in a new project to provide more diverse role models for children before they start school.

<u>Children and Families Minister Nadhim Zahawi has announced a £30,000 grant to support the scheme</u> and help provide more male role models for children in the early years.

