



EYQI Updates

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Upcoming training announcements

Early Years Food Network.

A network bringing together early years practitioners, chefs, and anyone involved in preparing food in early years settings and schools — to explore allergy awareness, swap inspiring menus, and celebrate good practice in food provision.

Date Wednesday 5th November 2025

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Audience

Chefs, practitioners or anyone involved in the preparing of food in Early Years.

Venue Virtual via Microsoft Teams

Delivered by Gemma Oakes— Early Years Quality and Inclusion/Early Years Hub Team & Teresa Mercer from Public Health Team

Manual Handling in Early Years training

This training will include:

- Looking at bone development in young children.

- Correct support techniques for the handling of young children.
- When and how to support or develop independence in the handling of young children.
- Possible injuries that could occur if incorrect techniques are used during the handling of young children.
- When is a specific plan is needed to enable the safe handling of children with specific needs.

Date Friday 7th November 2025

2.00pm -3:00pm

Audience

Early Years Practitioners and Childminders

Venue- Sutton Family Hub

Delivered by Sharon Webster - Moving and Handling, Communication and Outreach Lead,
Lansbury Bridge School.

How to Support Children with Neurodevelopmental Difficulties and Developmental Delay Within Early Years

This training has been produced and is delivered by a multi-agency team including the Bridge Centre, Speech and Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Specialist Teacher and the Portage Service. During the day delegates will explore the impact for a child with Neurodevelopmental difficulties and how this can impact on their learning. Practitioners will gain useful ideas and strategies to adapt their practice when supporting children and explore behaviours linked to these difficulties.

The training covers

- Autism
- ADHD
- Attachment
- Sensory Processing, language disorder
- Behaviour

Date Tuesday 25th November 2025

9:30am – 3:00pm

Audience

Early Years Practitioners working with early years children

Venue Virtual - Microsoft Teams

Delivered by The Bridge

Safeguarding Awareness Wraparound

Safeguarding training for wraparound providers ensures the safety of children in before and after school care. It covers recognizing abuse, creating a safe environment according to Statutory guidance EYFS 2025.

Date Wednesday 2nd December 2025

9:15am -12:15pm

Audience

Practitioners working in Breakfast and Afterschool Clubs, Group Based and School Based Providers and Childminders.

Venue Board Room, Forster House, Waterside, St Helens WA9 1UB

Delivered by Kate Campbell & Gemma Oakes – Early Years Quality and Inclusion/EYHUB team

To book places on the remaining Autumn training dates click on- For all training, click onto this Try Booking link to book your individual training sessions:

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FDJU>



You're invited to The Wraparound Conference 2026

 **You're Invited to the Wraparound Conference!** 

Celebrating the Magic of Breakfast, Afterschool & Holiday Clubs

Calling all providers who run—or are thinking about starting—breakfast clubs, afterschool clubs, or holiday provision! We're thrilled to invite you to a day dedicated to celebrating *you* and the incredible work you do to support children beyond the school day.

Cost: Free

Venue- Brewdog Stadium- (St Helens RL)

Time- 9:00-15:00

Lunch Included!

Guest speakers- Rebekah Jackson Reece- covering out of school clubs, strategic/ business models & 2 workshops with Alice Sharp (Adventures with Alice)

Bookings now open.....

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FLJH>

Workshops with Alice Sharp will include- STEM and Story telling and Role play.

Rebekah Jackson Reece- Will be talking about the amazing role Out of School clubs have for young children and working parents. Business planning and strategic models will be discussed.



NSPCC Talk Pants- Competition.

Two week focus October 20th - 31st across St Helens

- ✓ Re read the book.
- ✓ Play and learn the song
- ✓ Learn the PANTS RULES
- ✓ Share messages with parents / families

Run a mini competition to decorate pants or make a Talk PANTS poster
#sthelens for social media posts

We would love to hear how your competition went and for prizes- email eyhub@sthelens.gov.uk

Recruitment in Early Years



Recruiting in Early Years?

If your setting currently has job vacancies, support is available to help you promote them effectively. The Early Years Hub – Information for Childcare Providers offers useful resources to enhance your recruitment campaign.

Additionally, if you would like assistance using the *Do Something Big* campaign website to advertise your vacancies, please contact the Early Years Quality and Inclusion Team at eyhub@sthelens.gov.uk. We are happy to provide guidance and support.

[Do something big - Early Years Careers](#)

What's on in November at St Helens Library (World of Glass)

St Helens library has some lovely Children events taking place free of charge.

If you would like the libraries to visit your setting or childminding groups, please get in touch with
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What's on November at St Helens Library

Under fives crafts Tuesday 4th November 10.15am Brave Little Firework Come along and join in with our under-fives craft session. Listen to our story and join in with some crafts 	Read and Rhyme Wednesday's 10.15 Thursday's 10.15 Come along and join us for a story and singing.	Road Safety week Crafts and Bingo Tuesday 18th November 3.30-4.30 Come along and join in with some Road Safety fun. Join in with a game of Bingo and make some crafts to take home 
Saturday Story and Songs Saturday 1st November at 10.30 Come along to our Saturday session, Listen to a favourite story and join in with songs and Rhymes. 	Bonfire night crafts Tuesday 4th November 3.30-4.40 Come along and join in with some bonfire night crafts and colouring 	CHAMPS Children and Men's Play Session Saturday 8th November 10.30 Storytime Anti bullying week Elephant me A session for children and their male carers to join in with activities. Listen to a story and join with a craft or Lego and K'nex
Local History Monday 3rd November at 10am-12 Stop by our Family History Helpdesk for guidance on starting your research and accessing free resources from St Helens library service and Archive Service No need to book, just come along		



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Schools MS Teams Forum: [Here](#)

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