



EYQI Updates

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EYHUB Training

Last opportunity for Wellcomm Training



Extra Wellcomm training dates have been added for those pvi settings who did not attend last term. Wellcomm is a speech and language assessment resource which all St Helens settings are being asked to use for interventions and as a part of speech referrals. Funding has been provided through the Family Hubs so that each pvi setting can be given a free assessment pack.

Thursday 14th November 1:45 – 3:45

WellComm: A complete speech and language toolkit.

Objectives for the session will be:

- To understand the importance of developing communication and language within an EYFS setting.
- To understand each aspect of the WellComm toolkit.
- To develop an understanding of how to assess children by implementing the WellComm toolkit effectively.
- To understand how to assess children's communication and language using the screening document.
- To understand how to develop children's communication skills using the Big Book of Ideas.

WHERE: SUTTON FAMILY HUB

For all training, click onto this Try Booking link to book your individual sessions: <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DTEH>

Any problems, please contact us at eyhub@sthelens.gov.uk

Making Sense of Autism- Tuesday 19th November 2024 9.30am-11am Moss Bank Children's centre. This session is now full there will be further sessions in the Spring term

Moderation- Reception Class Moderation Wednesday 20th November, 1pm -4pm, at The Living Well. This event is for all Reception Class teachers.

For the moderation session, we'd like all schools to bring along evidence for two children, one who is working at the 'Expected' level of progress and one who is now quite there yet. This evidence can take any form, books, files, online learning journey trackers as well as your own teacher knowledge. Please use this link to book <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DTEM>

Oral Health awareness training dates

Hi All

A quick reminder to ensure all staff book onto one of the below dates in regards to oral health training and resources.

As you will be aware the Wellbeing Service have been commissioned to deliver increased support around oral health in St Helens, this includes:

- a training offer,
- working closely with identified settings in areas of most need
- and also providing oral health resources for St Helens children

Why is better oral health important?

Tooth decay is the most common reason for hospital admission in children aged six to 10, and children living in the most deprived communities are around 3.5 times more likely to have teeth extracted than those in the most affluent areas. On average 3 days of school are missed per year due to dental problems, which also can have significant impact on earning potential. Oral health and healthy teeth influence being able to eat a healthy diet to aid growth, speech development, and is key to social development and learning. Early habits of good oral hygiene need to be established to prevent these problems.

In St Helens, the percentage of 5-year-olds with any experience of tooth decay is worse than the England average. In 2021-22, 31.2% of 5 year olds in the borough had visual tooth decay compared to 23.7% in England and 30.6% in the North West . St Helens ranks as 31st highest in England and 13th highest in the North West.

Training Offer

There have been two training dates identified for all Family Hub partners and any agency working directly with families, you will only need to attend **one** of these. Please use the below link to book on and /or identify team members who work directly with families to attend.

For those attending the face to face sessions, oral health packs will be provided to take away with you and provide to families you are working with.

Please see below links to book on the training:

[Oral Health Awareness Training - 19th November 2024 1pm-3pm](#)

[Oral Health Awareness Training - 3rd December 2024 1pm-3pm](#)

Safeguarding Solutions

Safeguarding solutions is a drop-in session to discuss your early Safeguarding concerns. This is your opportunity have a conversation with Gemma Oakes and one of the Partnership Co-Ordinators about your early Safeguarding concerns where you will receive advice on how to progress forward and support your families.

The next sessions are:

Wednesday 13th November 1.30-3.30pm

Monday 9th December 1.30-3.30pm

To book a slot on any of the sessions, please email Gemmaoakes@sthelens.gov.uk

Registrations open for new childcare provider type- Childminders on non domestic premises.

Registration is now open for anyone wanting to apply to become a Childminder on non-domestic premises. You can find more information and guidance using these links:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ofsted-opens-registrations-for-new-childcare-provider-type>

[Register as a childminder without domestic premises - GOV.UK](#)

Do Something big- recruitment campaign

Action for early years settings: Advertise your vacancies on Find a Job for the 'Do Something BIG' campaign

The [Do Something BIG](#) recruitment campaign continues to highlight the huge impact early years educators have on young children and the rewards of working in the sector.

On average, the campaign website receives over 46,000 visits weekly, which directs potential applicants to DWP's [Find a Job](#) vacancy platform to search for early years roles.

Listing your early years vacancies on Find a Job, which is free to use, is a cost-effective way of ensuring visibility by a large pool of candidates.

If you don't have a Find a Job account and have current or upcoming roles in your setting, please watch these [video tutorials](#) to help you create an employer account and post your vacancies.

Please ensure you include the term 'early years' in your job advert titles and select 'Education and childcare jobs' as the job category.

Learning walks.

Would you like to host Learning Walk in your school or setting for professionals to visit you? If yes, please get in touch with lidiawolos@sthelens.gov.uk

There are number of Learning Walks available: LEARNING WALKS

Are you looking for a Learning Walk in another school or setting to see early years in action? We have the following on offer. Please email the Stronger Practice Hubs email if you would like to book on.

**Whitefield Primary School, visiting the EYFS Department, Boundary Lane, Liverpool, Merseyside, L6 2HZ.
Tuesday 19th November 2-4p.m.**

**Everton Nursery School and Family Centre, Spencer Street, Liverpool, Merseyside, L6 2WF. Thursday 5th
December 9.30a.m. – 11.45a.m.**

We have future learning walks in Wirral and Lancashire in January and February 2025.

If you wish to offer your setting for a learning walk to share practice especially linked to research in communication or early mathematics, let us know via email on sphubnw@evertoncentre.liverpool.sch.uk

Childminder conference- Sefton

Sefton are holding a childminder conference on 16th November and they are opening it out to other local authorities as they have some places available.

It is £20 which includes breakfast and refreshments. Greg Botrill is the guest speaker, so this is a great opportunity for childminders.

Sefton Council 

Early Years Conference for Childminders

Working in Partnership with Greg Botrill
'Education done with children, not to them'.

'Developing Lifelong Learners from Birth and Beyond'

OVERVIEW

We are delighted to welcome Greg Botrill to Sefton for a conference specifically aimed at the childminding sector.

Greg is an experienced early years practitioner and consultant who is committed to changing perceptions of the years.

Greg is dedicated to bringing about a new pedagogy that puts the child at the centre of the education universe.

WHAT WILL IT COVER?

Greg recognises that childminders are at the forefront of giving children a rich and meaningful childhood. During the conference, Greg will share a treasure trove of toolkits which are designed to support the co-play and adventures of childminders and their tribes.

PRICE

The conference is £20 to attend and includes the training event, breakfast and refreshments. The conference is open to all Sefton childminders until 30.10.2024, when it will then be shared wider across Liverpool City Region so please book quickly!

SESSION DATE

Saturday 16th November 2024
10am - 1.00pm

VENUE

The Lakehouse, Cambridge Rd, Waterloo, L22 1RR

AUDIENCE

Childminders and Childminder Assistants



WHY ATTEND?

- The session will most definitely empower childminders in their role and raise the profile of this valued sector across Sefton.
- The morning offers an opportunity to network and enjoy a breakfast sandwich together.



'An adventure with young people is the best kind and in Early years we have the opportunity to go on an adventure of a lifetime.'

Greg Botrill
Author of 'Can I Go and Play Now'

Early Years recruitment support

NEW EARLY YEARS EMPLOYMENT OFFICER

Kate is the officer in the area, her role consists of supporting you with recruitment and retention of staff in the early year sector.

Please get in touch with Kate if:

- If you have any vacancies that need filling
- Have issues with recruitment
- Wanting to develop existing staff
- Interesting in exploring training and development opportunities
- Support around costs to fill skills gaps
- Want to feedback any sector related issues

Kate, feels it is important to get to know and understand the uniqueness of each setting to find the right candidate for the position and is happy to pop along for a visit.

To contact Kate please email Kate.Morris@liverpoolcityregion-ca.gov.uk

PVI MS Teams Forum for private nurseries and childminders:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/l/channel/19%3a296c4d2f7039446a9e0aa281bd40e55a%40thread.tacv2/General?groupId=4f2a06e5-0991-4575-be27-b6cc16d97f34&tenantId=ef41c22b-1a60-4d86-a8bd-5d3a95f8abab>

Schools MS Teams Forum

<https://teams.microsoft.com/l/channel/19%3a2589ee5f1bd043fdbb67bec3cd7d3b1c%40thread.tacv2/General?groupId=9e33e316-91dc-4469-94d4-36a4da88746a&tenantId=ef41c22b-1a60-4d86-a8bd-5d3a95f8abab>