**Early Years Increased Hourly Funding Rates from September 2023**

Further to the governments Spring budget announcement made on 15th March 2023 regarding an additional £204m funding payable to the Early Years sector it was confirmed by the Department for Education (DfE) on 7th July 2023 that the Early Years Funding rates will increase from September 2023. This will be through the introduction of a new one-off Early Years Supplementary Grant (EYSG) payable to LA’s from 1st September 2023 to 31st March 2024. The full information about the grant and funding rates for individual local authorities can be found here: [Early years supplementary grant 2023 to 2024 - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fpublications%2Fearly-years-supplementary-grant-2023-to-2024&data=05%7C01%7CCorrinne.wilson%40nelincs.gov.uk%7Ca3bb862ab32a4dc07df208db7ec46ced%7C2000653ac2c64009ac5a2455bfbfb61d%7C0%7C0%7C638243154325749232%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=amwDpaOEBSTI3aJKyq6oN0zJCwb8kwp6lttBJ0Ceohw%3D&reserved=0)

NELC is passporting the full increase of the EYSG, to providers via the base rates, as prescribed by the guidance. NELC has been able to pass on all increases over recent years without the requirement to do so, and would hope to continue this in the future, but it is not guaranteed.

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| Funding Stream | **2022-23** | **From April 2023** | | | **From September 2023** | | |
| **Base Rate** | Actual increase | % | **New rate** | Actual increase | % | **New rate** |
| 2 Year Funding | **£5.37** | £0.06 | 1.1% | **£5.43** | £1.56 | 27.7% | **£7.00** |
| 3&4 year funding | **£4.31** | £0.16 | 3.4% | **£4.57** | £0.33 | 6.8% | **£4.90** |
| EYPP | **£0.60** | £0.02 | 3.3% | **£0.62** | £0.04 | 6.5% | **£0.66** |
| DAF | **£800** | £28 | 3.5% | **£828** | £53 | 6.4% | **£881** |

Some providers have raised concerns about the difference in increase between 2 and 3 &4 year funding and have asked if the increase can be shared more equally. Unfortunately, the funding and rates that NELC receives is determined by the Government and not NELC.

The EYE Provider handbook has been updated to reflect the changes to the base rates. The EYE team will also be updating each providers indicative budget for 2023-24 and will send these as soon as they have been completed.



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**Consultation**

**Early Years Funding Entitlements Extension Consultation 2024-25**

At the 2023 Spring Budget, we announced that we are extending our 30 hours free childcare offer so that even more parents and children will benefit. We confirmed that we expect to provide over £4.1 billion by 2027-28 to fund the new entitlements of 30 hours of free childcare per week (38 weeks per year) for working parents with children aged nine months to three years in England.

Today (21/07/2023) we have published a consultation on our proposed approach to funding for 2-year-olds and under from 2024-25. With the introduction of the new entitlements for working parents of children aged 9 months to 2 years, it is important that the funding system in place supports the delivery of these entitlements and ensures that we are continuing to distribute funding fairly and efficiently to local authorities across the country.  Please follow the link [here](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fconsultations%2Fearly-years-funding-extension-of-the-entitlements&data=05%7C01%7CCorrinne.wilson%40nelincs.gov.uk%7Cd83081d98c544de88b1808db89d9fc7e%7C2000653ac2c64009ac5a2455bfbfb61d%7C0%7C0%7C638255341553385930%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=E3dSluZ1Fu6X4JOlZ5WuQbDcNH7wTJk0jx6OT0%2FFn2M%3D&reserved=0) to access the consultation.

The consultation also sets out our proposals for the local funding framework within which local authorities will be expected to pass the money on to early years providers. This is intended to give local authorities the support and flexibility they need to support delivery of the childcare offers whilst ensuring the great majority of funding reaches providers in a fair and transparent way.

As part of the consultation, we have also published modelling with illustrative local authority hourly rates for the entitlements for 2-year-olds and under for 2024-25. These rates are illustrative only. We will confirm final funding rates for 2024-25 in the autumn.

**NELC Parents Childcare 2023 Survey**

Each year North East Lincolnshire Council has a duty to assess the childcare sufficiency in the local area. This assessment includes asking families about their childcare needs, now, in the future and any barriers that stop them from using childcare. Whether families are using childcare or not, their voices count. The answers provided in this short survey will help the early years and childcare team in North East Lincolnshire Council to plan and make sure there is enough childcare for families to work or train. The survey will run until 30th September 2023. The results will be published in the autumn at Become a childcare provider | NELC ([nelincs.gov.uk](http://nelincs.gov.uk/?fbclid=IwAR3uDbP-SFiWaQcs1su45wX6OHb5S5TG9bZz3GlTo1l3t-1PXcmaF9iZs6s))

[Parent Childcare Survey 2023 - This survey is created by QuestionPro | QuestionPro Survey](https://tell-us.questionpro.eu/a/TakeSurvey?tt=hKqL7uGa2kULLCHpCP0O%2FQ%3D%3D&fbclid=IwAR1NdRQLUq4e9-Ru8W8lmkPeHDNaTAhXVueeS-CG3YonYpUAohhtAhrqros)

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**Early Years SENCO level 3**

The Department for Education is delighted to announce that we are expanding our fully-funded, accredited Level 3 Early Years SENCO training offer.

An additional 2,000 places are available between now and August 2024, with particular focus on training SENCOs in areas currently underrepresented in training uptake, including the North East and North West of England.

This offer is part of the early years education recovery programme and will mean up to 7,000 SENCOs will be trained by August 2024.A pink and white logo with black text

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Existing Early Years SENCOs with a Level 3 EY educator qualification, or those due to take up the role of SENCO, including childminders, are eligible for the training.

To apply and find out more, please visit: [Early Years SENCO - Level 3 | Best Practice Network](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.bestpracticenet.co.uk%2Fearly-years-SENCO&data=05%7C01%7CCorrinne.wilson%40nelincs.gov.uk%7Cd24fdfb4bc7c401db21108dba3e40b5d%7C2000653ac2c64009ac5a2455bfbfb61d%7C0%7C0%7C638283972062228637%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=NZUKjfzGyzEMMBhAlQr1E6jrr7XjvzLVOksMH6Zrpaw%3D&reserved=0)

**Dates for your Diary**

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| **Date** | **Event** | **Delivered By** |
| **From 13th September 2023** | **Making Sense of Autism**  Gain a better understanding and awareness of autism and the way it affects children I the early years.  See the flyer below for more detail |  |
| **13th September**  **18:00 – 20:00**  **Online** | **Foundation Years Online Event**  This event will include   * an Early Years Foundation Stage profile update from DfE, * London Early Years Stronger Practice Hubs on the ShREC approach and * Ofsted will lead a two years on from the EYFS 2021 reforms discussion.   [Foundation Years Online Event Tickets, Wed 13 Sep 2023 at 18:00 | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/foundation-years-online-event-tickets-694784869247) | [A blue background with white text  Description automatically generated](https://foundationyears.org.uk/) |
| **15th September**  **12 noon to 13:00**  **via Teams** | **ICON: Babies Cry, You Can Cope**  If you work with families and you are interested in how you can support them to understand and cope with a crying baby, you may be interested in our lunchtime training/briefing sessions. This will support you to understand how to use ICON to support families in managing a crying baby and ultimately in keeping babies safe.  You can find information about ICON prior to attending a session at <https://iconcope.org/>  Please email Sue Major at [sue.major@nhs.net](mailto:sue.major@nhs.net) to book your place. You will then be sent to the Teams invitation to the session. | **ICON** |
| **22nd September**  **10:15 to 15:15**  **Manchester Crowne Plaza** | **Foundation Years Face to Face Event**  This in-person event will feature an update from DfE, an EYFS practice session on early maths with Karen Wilding, and discussion on physical development with Jackie Musgrave. | [A blue background with white text  Description automatically generated](https://foundationyears.org.uk/) |
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| **22nd & 23th September** | **The Joy of Doing**  Childcare & Education Expo Midlands returns to Coventry Building Society Arena  See information below for more detail |  |
| **26th September**  **Online** | **Information Session- New Extended Early Years Entitlements**  The 1 hour session will include   * What we know so far * What we need to know * Next steps and how to get involved. * Questions?   **10:00 AM session** [book your place here](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/information-session-new-early-years-entitlements-tickets-705948469877?aff=oddtdtcreator)  **2:00 PM session** [book your place here](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/information-session-new-early-years-entitlements-tickets-705975761507?aff=oddtdtcreator)  **6:00 PM session** [book your place here](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/information-session-new-early-years-entitlements-tickets-705982140587?aff=oddtdtcreator) | **Early Years Entitlements Team** |
| **7th October**  **10:00 to 15:15**  **Mercure Nottingham Sherwood Hotel** | **Foundation Years Live: Nottingham**  In this session, we will be joined by Jamel Carly Campbell to discuss positive relationships in EYFS practice, Ofsted to discuss EYFS reforms 2021 two years on and Early Years Education specialist Jan Dubiel.  [Foundation Years Live: Nottingham Tickets, Sat 7 Oct 2023 at 10:00 | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/foundation-years-live-nottingham-tickets-698324406097) | [A blue background with white text  Description automatically generated](https://foundationyears.org.uk/) |
| **17th October 2023**  **2:00pm to 16:30**  **Grimsby Town Hall** | **Early Years Network Meeting**   * *Update on EYIF/graduated response paperwork* * *A settings view on inclusion funding* * *Michelle Baynham (Speech and Language Therapist)*   Book your place at [Early Years Network Forum Autumn Term Tickets, Tue, Oct 17, 2023 at 2:00 PM | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/early-years-network-forum-autumn-term-tickets-705184575047?aff=oddtdtcreator) | **Early Years Team** |

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| **Autumn Term ‘23** | **Grimsby Town Hall**   * *Update on EYIF/graduated response paperwork* * *A settings view on inclusion funding* * *Michelle Baynham (Speech and Language Therapist)* | 17th October 2023  2:00pm start  4.30pm finish | 14.00- arrival  14.15-14.30- Finance update from Corrinne  14.30- 14.45update on EYIF and graduated response  14.45-15.10- Butterflies  (A settings view on Inclusion)  15.10-15.25 Break  15.30- 16.30 Speech and Language training; speech sounds | [Early Years Network Forum Autumn Term Tickets, Tue, Oct 17, 2023 at 2:00 PM | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/early-years-network-forum-autumn-term-tickets-705184575047?aff=oddtdtcreator) |
| **Spring Term ‘24** | **Grimsby Town Hall**   * *Michelle Baynham (Speech and Language Therapist)* * *Sleep with Carol Bachelor* | 12th March 2024  1.00pm start  4.30pm finish | 12.45-1.00 arrival  1.00-1.15 Finance update from Corrinne  1.15-3.15 Sleep training  3.15-3.30 Break  3.30-4.30 Speech and language training; receptive language | [Early Years Network Forum Tickets, Tue, Mar 12, 2024 at 1:00 PM | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/early-years-network-forum-tickets-705272548177?aff=oddtdtcreator) |
| **Summer Term ‘24** | **Grimsby Town Hall**   * *Michelle Baynham (Speech and Language Therapist)* * *Hearing and Vision team* | 11th June 2024  1.00pm start  4.30pm finish | 12.45-1.00 arrival  1.00-1.15 Finance update from Corrinne  1.15-3.15pm Hearing and Vision support strategies.  3.30-4.30 Speech and language training; using Lego to support talking and understanding words | [Early Years Network Forum Tickets, Tue, Jun 11, 2024 at 1:00 PM | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/early-years-network-forum-tickets-705329929807?aff=oddtdtcreator) |

Childcare & Education Expo Midlands returns to Coventry Building Society Arena on **22 & 23 September 2023**!

Offering 100 exhibitors, 40 expert speakers, interactive and wellbeing workshops, this event is a treasure trove of cutting-edge insights and innovations in early years education. Engage with industry leaders, discover the latest trends and develop invaluable connections. Whether you're building your business knowledge, seeking fresh ideas or broadening your CPD, Childcare & Education Expo is the ideal platform. Join us to explore, network, and elevate your understanding of childcare and education.

**Register for your free ticket** [**here**](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Femail.eyalliance.org.uk%2F6L45-UWG0-1HSZZO-MNUCZ-1%2Fc.aspx&data=05%7C01%7Ccorrinne.wilson%40nelincs.gov.uk%7C197e3f4c5e2643ee1f3d08db9e312e79%7C2000653ac2c64009ac5a2455bfbfb61d%7C0%7C0%7C638277706289013403%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=7FbgjCoIGx3G%2B10aZRSAybvXYo3xWdDw89Y3J%2FgSpX0%3D&reserved=0)

**Join us at the creative feature area**

As we know, children need the chance to experiment at their own pace with a range of open-ended resources such as glue, paint, collage pieces and fabrics, exploring the possibilities of the materials and making their own discoveries about what it can and cannot do.

By allowing children to be creative, we are supporting them to express themselves, think of their own ideas, and enjoy the process of 'doing'.

Find out more about the joy of doing in our latest [blog](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Femail.eyalliance.org.uk%2F6L45-UWG0-1HSZZO-MOIRO-1%2Fc.aspx&data=05%7C01%7Ccorrinne.wilson%40nelincs.gov.uk%7C197e3f4c5e2643ee1f3d08db9e312e79%7C2000653ac2c64009ac5a2455bfbfb61d%7C0%7C0%7C638277706289013403%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=CUUVf7EtFOoiv3DlMNMZ2Gm%2F7c4LcMcI6JF4JFKGW7U%3D&reserved=0), and join us at the creative area to explore all things process over product!

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Our Childcare Business Program is designed to provide business insight to established childcare entrepreneurs for home and center-based businesses.

Elevate program participants will follow a process to grow their business, develop a marketing strategy, learn operational best practices, and sound methods for managing their childcare business financials.

During this cohort you will learn how to grow outside from your home to a center and how to be more profitable and efficient.

At the end of this cohort, you will leave with a 1 year growth plan.

More details and to book your place [HERE](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/elevate-grow-your-childcare-business-tickets-663073208817?aff=erellivmlt&keep_tld=1)

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Description automatically generated](https://foundationyears.org.uk/)**What’s New?**

# **New vodcast on the Early Years Professional Development Programme** We are pleased to share the new Foundation Years vodcast with Lyn Challender from [Education Development Trust](https://www.edt.org/). In the session, Lyn provides an overview of the Department for Education's [Early Years Professional Development Programme](https://www.earlyyearspdp.com/). The EYPDP is focused on supporting practitioners who work with children aged 2-4 in order to improve outcomes in three areas:

* Communication and Language
* Early Mathematics
* Personal, Social and Emotional Development

## To find more information and to register your interest, please [visit the website](http://www.earlyyearspdp.com/). Cohort 2 starts in September and Cohort 3 starts in January 2024

## Watch here [EYPDP vodcast - Foundation Years - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9rWcOOPGXiM)

# **New vodcast: EYFS changes on 4 September**

## In this new vodcast, Jade Gilks (Head of the Early Years Qualifications Unit at the Department for Education) sets out the three changes being made to the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Statutory Framework from 4 September 2023.  She is joined by Wendy Ratcliff (HMI, Principal Officer for Early Years Education at Ofsted), and both answer some frequently asked questions about what the changes mean in practice for settings.

## You can watch the [vodcast here](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffamilyandchildcaretrust.us21.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3D7f85e9e49a890f812d73886ed%26id%3D021c4de39d%26e%3Dbe673f5df7&data=05%7C01%7Ccorrinne.wilson%40nelincs.gov.uk%7C6f7f6f35469748b4df9a08dba481e6a2%7C2000653ac2c64009ac5a2455bfbfb61d%7C0%7C0%7C638284650488635578%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C2000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=ucFgXpX8J4joUliFOo2JIoGpw6nk8hRztrNW2FAR06A%3D&reserved=0) and [download the slide pack here](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffamilyandchildcaretrust.us21.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3D7f85e9e49a890f812d73886ed%26id%3Df70683b846%26e%3Dbe673f5df7&data=05%7C01%7Ccorrinne.wilson%40nelincs.gov.uk%7C6f7f6f35469748b4df9a08dba481e6a2%7C2000653ac2c64009ac5a2455bfbfb61d%7C0%7C0%7C638284650488635578%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C2000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=4BSGzUMRQ8twhE6nG2%2BI91Ioql9hJRa64XYtH4WXSPQ%3D&reserved=0).

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## A new coalition launches 7th September

## Working together for an early education and childcare sector that delivers for our children, for parents, and for the economy.

The Early Education and Childcare Coalition unites the voices of parents, children, providers, those working in the sector and the wider business community.

Our vision is of an early education and childcare sector that provides high-quality, affordable provision for all families in all communities, and with it, good pay, conditions, and funding for those providing that education and care.

Together we’re using our collective voice and robust research to build public and political support for a sector that underpins all of our lives.

<https://www.earlyeducationchildcare.org/>

## A green and black text Description automatically generatedDid You Know?

# Is North East Lincolnshire's Professional Learning Community

We’ve created an area for you that has a range of local information and resources to support and develop the curriculum. **Together For All embraces collective responsibility for improving life chances.**

## [Welcome - North East Lincolnshire's Professional Learning Community (together4all.co.uk)](https://www.together4all.co.uk/)

## See the source imageThere are lots of training and events available via Eventbrite. These include business planning, marketing, developing policies, CPD courses etc

## [Online childcare Events | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/d/online/childcare/?page=1)

## [Online early years Events | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/d/online/early-years/?page=1)

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**Latest Updates from Department of Education**

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**Latest Updates from GOV.UK**

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**Latest Updates and News from Ofsted**

## [Ofsted handbooks and frameworks](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fcollections%2Fofsted-handbooks-and-frameworks%3Futm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dgovuk-notifications-topic%26utm_source%3Dc37cffbb-e547-48f4-a3a1-29f42359f962%26utm_content%3Dimmediately&data=05%7C01%7Ccorrinne.wilson%40nelincs.gov.uk%7C750d83eecd234bb31d5d08db9a455246%7C2000653ac2c64009ac5a2455bfbfb61d%7C0%7C0%7C638273394738035461%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=WZaSyfThn24oizQt0ujQ2IY%2FRHSbvax0oX44CHew9zk%3D&reserved=0)

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Page summary: Management information aggregating registered childcare providers and inspections and their outcomes.

Change made: Published management information as at 30 June 2023.

Time updated: 9:30am, 8 August 2023

## Ofsted News

Nothing to report

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## And finally, some fun stuff

There has been a lot happening in our area over the summer. Here is a selection of some of the activities and events that have recently been shared by FFIS. To keep up to date with what’s going on follow FFIS on social media

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<https://www.twitter.com/FF_NELincs>

[](https://instagram.com/nelcouncil/) <https://www.instagram.com/familiesfirstnel/>