

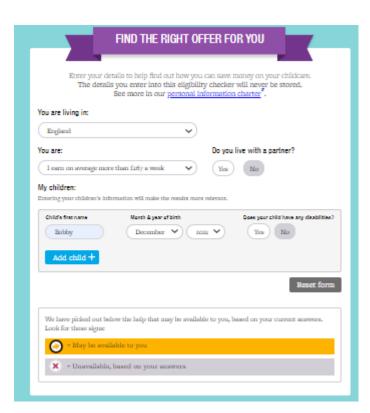
# **Early Years & SEND Monthly Update**

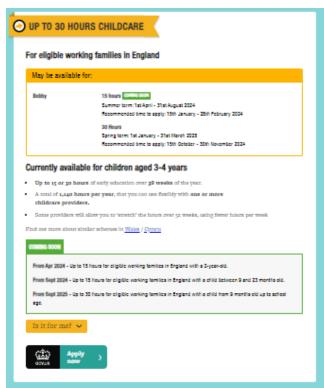


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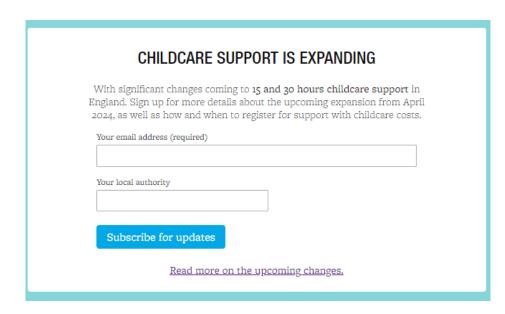
The childcare choices website has had a revamp and is now easier than ever for parents to see what they could be eligible for, from when and when to apply for it







Parents can also register and receive updates about the support available to help with childcare costs to ensure they don't miss out



Measles cases are rising across the country, with over 102,000 children starting

primary school in England being at risk of catching the disease. The DfE are asking you to share key messages from the NHS about measles / MMR and how to get vaccinated.

The <u>Back to school MMR Guidance</u> from the NHS includes information to share, as well as example social media posts which can be found here: <u>NHS</u> Vaccine Poster and NHS MMR Poster.

Measles is highly infectious and if left unvaccinated nine out of ten children in an early years setting can catch the disease if just one child is infectious. Please share these resources with colleagues, parents, and where suitable, community organisations to increase awareness and encourage parents to get their children vaccinated.



DEVELOPING THE CURRICULUM
TOGETHER FOR ALL

FOR EARLY YEARS
RESOURCES AND GUIDANCE

FIND OUT MORE

The 'Together for All' website has been developed specifically for professionals across all settings in the North East Lincolnshire area - early years, primary, secondary, post 16.

The site contains information and resources for early years, early help, relationships, health & sex education, curriculum for life (careers) and wellbeing plus information about CPD activities, local services, key dates, intelligence and guidance reports.

The site also hosts local newsletters including the Early Years and SEND monthly update, Health and Wellbeing Newsletter and Careers Network Newsletter.

Please check out the 'CPD activities' section as it contains dates for CPD coming up throughout this academic year and is updated frequently.

Check out the site at <a href="www.together4all.co.uk">www.together4all.co.uk</a> or it can be accessed via the home page of <a href="www.lincs2.co.uk">www.lincs2.co.uk</a>



This year's flu vaccination programme is underway. Children aged 2 and 3 years old (on 31 August before flu vaccination starts in the autumn) are eligible for a free flu vaccine given as a nasal spray.

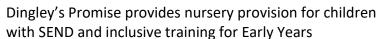
Those working in the early years sector have an important role to play in raising awareness amongst parents about the annual flu vaccination programme for preschool children.

Annual vaccination of children helps provide protection to each child and reduces the spread of flu to their families and the wider community, protecting others who are at increased risk of becoming seriously ill from flu. The flu vaccine also promotes a healthy working environment in nurseries and childcare settings by reducing the risk of flu being spread to others including staff.

<u>A leaflet for early years providers</u> giving information about the programme is available and it includes details about how to <u>order free resources to display or give to parents</u> including translations in multiple languages.

# Consultation/Survey's

Can you help Dingley's Promise to help shape the national picture for children in the Early Years with SEND?





practitioners. They are passionate about change and share concerns that our young children with SEND are not always supported as they should be in early years settings. They want to further explore the reasons why. This work is particularly pertinent as the new entitlement's rollout over the next few years and the attainment and access gap is at risk of widening. The surveys below have been designed to capture a broad picture of the current barriers faced in the early years and opportunities for improvement to ensure that all voices are heard. We know you are as committed as we are to driving change for children and families, and we appreciate your support. <a href="https://www.dingley.org.uk">www.dingley.org.uk</a>

Survey for Settings - https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/99V8MPP

Survey for Families - https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/M8KCPGK

# **Dates for your Diary**

Date	Event	Delivered By
From 13 <sup>th</sup>	Making Sense of Autism	
September 2023		
	Gain a better understanding and awareness of autism and the way it affects children I the early	Autism
	years. See the flyer below for more detail	Trust
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Early Help and Team Around the Family (TAF) information sessions	
10:00 to 11:30		Early Help and TAF
Or	The session will cover the updated procedures on how to make an early hep referral and the	team
17:00 to 18:30	TAF arrangements information.	team
	All sessions are the same you only need to attend ONE	
Online		
	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 10am – 11:30am Click here to join the meeting	
	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November – 5pm-6:30pm Click here to join the meeting	
7 <sup>th</sup> November 18:30 – 19:30pm	Alliance Connect: Supporting wellbeing in the early years: exploring a low-demand strategy	
	Join this free Alliance Connect to examine the different demands that children face in their everyday lives, understand the impact that these demands can have on a young child, and explore which demands can be proactively removed as part of our ongoing efforts to support child wellbeing.	early years alliance
	The session will be led by Laura Hellfeld, an independent nurse consultant who works to support the neurodivergent community and educate other care professionals to understand their unique support needs.	0
	This will be an engaging, interactive session where we will work through two case studies and a drawing and labelling exercise, so have a pen and piece of paper ready!	
	EYA Portal > Online training and networking > Event details (eyalliance.org.uk)	

Date	Event	Delivered By
14 <sup>th</sup> November Online 18:30 – 19:30pm	You're invited! Join the Alliance's new Early Years Leaders Network	early years alliance
	Calling all setting owners, managers, and childminding professionals!	<b>(</b>
	The Early Years Alliance is delighted to announce the launch of our new Early Years Leaders Network, a safe space for those in leadership roles in the early years to:	
	<ul> <li>connect, support, and share ideas about the current challenges facing the early years</li> </ul>	
	make links with colleagues in similar roles	
	<ul> <li>become part of a support network to share knowledge, experience, and good practice</li> </ul>	
	From recruitment and retention to sustainability concerns, staff management to managing relationships with families, no topic is off-limits.	
	So why not join us for a virtual coffee and a chat at our upcoming online event, <a href="EYA Portal">EYA Portal</a> <a href="Portal-norm">&gt; Online training and networking &gt; Event details (eyalliance.org.uk)</a>	

Date	Event	Delivered By

#### 22<sup>nd</sup> November 19:00 to 21:30

Online

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#### **All Things Sensory**

A workshop exploring the sensory needs of children with autism, social communication difficulties and sensory processing difficulties and practical strategies to support their needs

Suitable for: Parents or practitioners - early years and primary

Venue: Via Zoom Cost: £42

Please contact Jaci or Nikki on 01895649211

or allthingsautismltd@gmail.com to book your place on this course



# All Things Autism and Inclusion





#### Early Years Training Schedule Please book via Sue Bates – sbates@cambridgepark.het.academy

- 13th September 17:00 20:00 Assembly Room
- 27<sup>th</sup> September 17:00 20:00 Assembly Room
- 11th October- 17:00 20:00 Banqueting Suite
- 1st November 17:00 20:00 Banqueting Suite
- 15th November 17:00 20:00 Banqueting Suite
- 29th November 17:00 20:00 Banqueting Suite
- 13th Dec 23–17:00 20:00 Bremerhaven Room
- 10th Jan 24 17:00 20:00 Bremerhaven Room
- 31st Jan 24 17:00 20:00 Banqueting Room
- 7th Feb 24 17:00 20:00 Bremerhaven Room

# Early years Network Meeting 23/24



Term:	Venue:	Date:	Time:	Booking Link:
Spring Term '24	• Michelle Baynham (Speech and Language Therapist) • Sleep with Carol Bachelor	12 <sup>th</sup> 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
Summer Term '24	Grimsby Town Hall  Michelle Baynham (Speech and Language Therapist) Hearing and Vision team	11 <sup>th</sup> 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

# **Did You Know?**



Comprehensive support for settings and practitioners to help them address the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the youngest and most disadvantaged children



There is an array of free support available to the sector. Open the PDF below for more detail







### What's New?



# **Department for Education |** Early years child development training

## New module added to the DfE's Early Years Childcare Development training-Mathematics

The <u>Early years child development training</u> is free online training. It has been designed by early years professionals to help early years practitioners working with children aged 0-4 years strengthen their knowledge and understanding of child development. Other people may also find it useful.

**Module 6: Mathematics in the early years** is now available and covers:

- Nurturing mathematical development from birth
- Number including verbal counting, object counting and subitising
- Patterns and relationships
- Spatial reasoning, including shape, space and measures

This new module is now available along with 5 other modules including child and brain development, personal, social and emotional development, communication and language and physical development.

<u>The modules can be accessed in any order at any time</u>, however the DfE do recommend that the modules are completed in consecutive order as the training has been designed to build on previous modules, starting with child and brain development underpinning all the others.

If you are already signed up to the training, this module is available to start now and can be accessed from your <u>My modules</u> page in the training.

Further modules will be added in the coming months. If you haven't yet accessed the training, and would like to learn more and register, please visit <u>Early years child</u> development.

# **Latest Updates from Department of Education**

October 2023

**For Action: Early Years Settings** 

#### Support our Early Years Educator apprenticeships campaign

We would be grateful for your support with the department's newly launched digital campaign promoting Early Years (EY) Educator apprenticeships.

It aims to raise awareness of EY Educator apprenticeships, showcase how rewarding a career in EY and childcare can be, and highlight benefits of the Level 3 apprenticeship.

We have produced a <u>toolkit</u> with resources for your promotional and recruitment needs. It will help you to:

- Support the campaign on social media social media graphics can be downloaded from the toolkit for you to post organically, or you can amplify our posts via our social media channels. (Assets can also be printed and used locally).
- Share this toolkit with your stakeholders please share this toolkit with your relevant contacts who may like to use the creative assets in their own recruitment activity.

If you have any questions, please contact <a href="mailto:external.affairs@service.education.gov.uk">external.affairs@service.education.gov.uk</a>.

#### For Information: Early Years Settings and schools with early years provision

Updated Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Profile handbook and EYFS guidance on exemptions.

The Department for Education has published an updated <u>Early Years Foundation Stage</u> (<u>EYFS</u>) <u>Profile 2024 handbook</u> to support teachers and practitioners to complete EYFS Profile assessments in the 2023/24 academic year, in line with statutory requirements.

We have also published updated <u>guidance on exemptions</u> to support early years providers applying for exemptions from the EYFS. This simplifies, streamlines and clarifies the previous guidance, making it easier to follow and implement.

# **Latest Updates from GOV.UK**

#### Early years foundation stage profile handbook

**Page summary:** Guidance on completing the early years foundation stage (EYFS) profile assessment in the 2023 to 2024 academic year.

Change made: Updated the 'early years foundation stage profile handbook' for 2024.

Time updated: 1:34pm, 9 October 2023

#### **Early years foundation stage (EYFS): regulatory changes**

**Page summary:** We're seeking views on proposed changes to requirements in the early years foundation stage (EYFS).

**Change made**: Added 'Early years foundation stage (EYFS): regulatory changes – government consultation response'.

Time updated: 9:30am, 27 October 2023

## **Latest Updates and News from Ofsted**

#### **People connected with Ofsted-registered childcare**

**Page summary:** Guidance on checks we will carry out on anyone associated with Ofsted-registered childcare.

**Change made:** Clarified the checks we carry out on household members and visitors.

Time updated: 3:27pm, 4 October 2023

#### **Ofsted News**

October 2023

#### Early years and childcare

<u>People connected with Ofsted-registered childcare</u> - Guidance on checks we will carry out on anyone associated with Ofsted-registered childcare. We clarified the checks we carry out on household members and visitors.

<u>Consented addresses for childminders and domestic childcare</u> - Updated consented addresses for childminders and domestic childcare as at 30 September 2023.

We have published a new <u>blogpost</u> about the calls we make to people who have submitted an application to register as a childminder.

We have recently produced and published <u>a set of short FAQ videos</u> for early years providers, featuring Sam Sleeman-Boss, our Early Years Regulatory Inspector and Early Education Quality and Practice Lead. The videos are:

- Should I store my paperwork in a folder marked 'Ofsted'?
- What should I expect from the learning walk?
- Is the notification call the start of the inspection?
- How will inspectors consider the progress children make at my setting?
- Do I need a curriculum map?
- Do I have to use 'Development Matters'?
- How will inspectors prepare for my inspection?
- How will inspectors look at leadership and management?
- When will I have my early years inspection?

<u>Best start in life part 2: Ofsted's early years research review series</u> - In this podcast episode, Shreena Kotecha, Head of Strategy, talks to Lee Owston, Deputy Director, Schools and Early Education and Wendy Ratcliff, Principal Officer, Early Education about the <u>second part</u> of our early years research review series. Wendy and Lee explain how this report builds on the <u>first part</u> of the series and share what the next report will focus on.

You can subscribe to this newsletter here.

## And finally, some fun stuff

There has been a lot happening in our area over autumn. 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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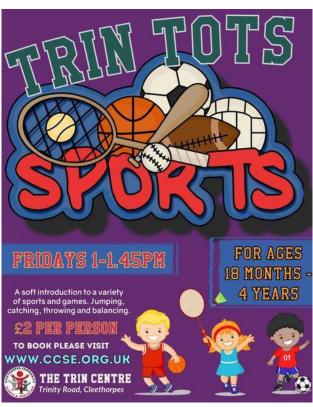


https://www.twitter.com/FF NELincs



https://www.instagram.com/familiesfirstnel/







## **ELFIE SELFIE 2023**

ELFIE SELFIE is an exciting event for all children on Sunday 10 December from 10am to 2.30 p.m. at
Oasis Academy Wintringham
Weelsby Avenue, Grimsby DN32 0AZ



Children will turn into an elf as they walk around the festive stations.
The event will finish with a visit to Santa and all children will receive a selection box and a medal.

Start times will be staggered during the day starting at 10am
Please email us your preferred time, child's age and name to elfieselfie2023@gmail.com

We will then confirm your start time.

The cost is £10 per child (payable on booking) to

justgiving.com/campaign/elfieselfie2023





All children must be accompanied by an adult
All proceeds for local children's and other local charities
www.cleethorpesrotary.org



