



Services for Young Children (SfYC) Newsletter

New Forest

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Welcome to the New Forest spring term newsletter, keeping you up-to-date with local developments and support opportunities, dates for your diary and opportunities for training.

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The Services for Young Children's blog gives you the latest news:

<http://www.sfycblog.hants.gov.uk/>

Parents and carers who are looking for childcare, early years education and family support services should seek information and help from the Services for Young Children website: <http://www.hants.gov.uk/parents/cis.htm> or alternatively call the Family Information Service helpline on 0300 555 1384.

Training and subscriptions

The SfYC website displays the training information. Go to: www.hants.gov.uk/childcaretraining. If you/your setting did not join the 2015/16 Training subscription scheme the EYFS/Safeguarding courses on offer can be accessed by paying £100 per person per course. All the information is available on the SfYC website or if you know the course code you can book direct through The Learning Zone. Information about setting up an account on the Learning Zone can also be found on the web page.

Staffing news

We would like to warmly welcome back Jo Fulton as District Advisory Teacher for the Eastern area of the New Forest district. Many of you will know Jo from when she previously worked in the New Forest and has since worked in a number of other districts most recently East Hants. Jo will be working alongside Elizabeth Knowles for 0.5 of the week.

Local update

Childcare Sufficiency

The start the New Year will see minimal change to the childcare market in the New Forest. During the autumn term we had closure of two preschool provisions in the Ringwood and Fordingbridge areas of the district. Children attending these settings have been able to be accommodated in other local provision and in Wiltshire and Dorset for their EYE entitlement. We were very pleased that places were offered quickly to these families. We will be working with the local community to ensure that the market is still able to meet the demands in this area. We continue to work to address the gaps in the childcare market in the New Forest, and there are the continued areas of the district in the Lymington and New Milton as well as Totton where we are anticipating an increase in demand due to additional new housing developments.

Occupancy has generally been good in most settings but we are still aware of some families not taking up the full 15 hours in some ward areas. We would like you to encourage families to take up the full entitlement at your setting or shared with another provider to enable them to make a good level of development at the end of the Foundation Stage. The Hampshire target is 13.8 hours for two year olds with at least 14 hours available for three and four year olds.

During the autumn term there were 2122 children in the New Forest claiming EYE funding, with an average hourly take-up of 12.98 hours a week. Children also took up an average of 2.6 additional hours each week. This shows a lower take up than the summer term when there were 3147 children accessing provision and the hourly take up has not significantly increased. We continue to promote families taking up all of their 570 hours entitlement, either 15 hours a week standard offer or by stretching the entitlement over the year.

There continues to be an increase in the take up of places by eligible two year olds; in the autumn term there were 366 two year olds taking up an average of 11.98 hours which is lower than the 12.6 hours taken up during the summer term.

Thank you all for your participation in the autumn term briefing activities. We spent time exploring the issues around the Childcare Bill 2015 with the increase to the 'free' offer to be 30 hours for working families of three and four year olds. There has

also been some settings offering to be part of an early implementation pilot and attended a session with Hampshire for a joint application to be made to be part of a small number of local authorities who will implement 30 hour processes in September 2016. It will be later in the spring term when the local authority will hear if they have been successful in this bid. We will work with those settings interested, probably in a geographically phased way. We continue to encourage you to consider the impact of the 30 hours in your settings, looking at the provision of a stretched offer or developing their premises so that they continue to meet the needs of the local community.

Should you not be able to provide the full entitlement to families, please make Sarah Davey, (CDBO) aware. Sarah will be pleased to discuss with you any issues that are challenging for your setting or market changes to the local area. The local authority is keen to ensure that the statutory duty for sufficiency is met in each district of the county.

There have been 337 EYPP payments made for children in the New Forest to day nurseries, preschools and several EYE registered childminders. There was a very successful workshop session held in the autumn term when we were able to consider the research behind the introduction of this funding, suggested ways for processes to encourage families to make applications, creatively how we can use the additional money, and how by using the data we can show the evidence of impact.

Most of the children that have been eligible for 2 year old funding will probably meet the criteria for EYPP so once again please can we urge you to promote EYPP to families who are attending your setting so that you can use the funds available to support them making accelerated progress.

Funding for Children in Care

Were you aware that if you have a Child in Care in your setting who is looked after by another Local Authority, you will need to submit a form to SfYC? This will alert Hampshire about this child. These are only the Children in Care in receipt of EYE funding for 3 and 4 year olds.

Forms and further guidance can be found on the SfYC and Virtual School websites. <http://www.hants.gov.uk/childrens-services/childcare/providers/sfyc-cic.htm>

Briefings and workshops

Provider briefings

At the briefing, we are expecting to include up-to-date information on local and county issues including training input, the 2 Year Old Offer, local trends EYFSP data, and take-up of EYE funding.

Please note we will be unable to provide hand-outs at the briefings; the presentation will be emailed to your business email account afterwards. Please bring something with you to make notes on at the briefing if required.

Open to: all management in early years.

To book: email sfyc.nf@hants.gov.uk stating name of person wishing to attend.

Course Code	Date	Time	Area
Spring term 2016			

1516BPBNF06	Wednesday 24 February	13.30 - 15.30	Lyndhurst
1516BPBNF07	Friday 26 February	10.00 - 12.00	Lyndhurst

Summer term 2016			
1617BPBNF01	Tuesday 7 June	10.00 - 12.00	Lyndhurst
1617BPBNF02	Tuesday 7 June	14:00 - 16:00	Lyndhurst

LDT drop-in sessions

These are optional, bookable, 'drop-in' sessions that give an opportunity for practitioners to bring a specific issue for discussion with a member of the New Forest Local Development Team. The sessions have been arranged around the provider briefings to give the chance either before, or after, the briefing to speak to representatives from the Early Years Advisory Team, Inclusion Team or Prospects Services. To book an appointment with one of the team at the drop-in support session, please make your booking in the usual way but specify the team you would like to speak with and the topic you wish to discuss so that we have appropriate resources available.

Open to: all early years practitioners.

To book: email sfyc.nf@hants.gov.uk stating name of person wishing to attend.

Date	Time	Area
Spring term – please note there are no specific times allocated, but if you would like to see a member of the team, please contact us and we will endeavor to accommodate this.		
Summer term		
Tuesday 7 June	12.15 - 12.45	Lyndhurst
Tuesday 7 June	12.45 - 13.15	Lyndhurst
Tuesday 7 June	13.15 - 13.45	Lyndhurst

Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP) – free practical workshops

There is another opportunity to attend an EYPP workshop. If you were unable to attend in the autumn term or have just started claiming EYPP funding this is an essential workshop to attend.

Who are they for?

The workshop is for the practitioner who has the lead responsibility for monitoring children's progress, improving quality and implementing developments.

What is the content?

The workshop will support providers in a very practical, hands-on way to:

- use own settings data and information (which you will need to bring with you) to identify needs and appropriate ways to spend EYPP funding,
- find training and intervention programmes to meet needs,

- show the difference it has made to outcomes for children and the quality of provision.

It will also look at the latest Ofsted and self-evaluation expectations.

At the end of the 2 hour workshop you will be in a better position to analyse your own data, compare it to local and national trends, review your own organisations needs and development plans and have ideas for staff training that improves the outcomes of individual children - all in line with Ofsted expectations.

How do I book on?

Priority will be given to providers who did not attend the autumn workshops, are currently in receipt of EYPP funding and who are likely to be receiving funding in the coming term. Some providers will receive a personal invitation.

To book: email the appropriate office stating name of person (and their setting) wishing to attend.

Course Code	Date	Time	Venue
1516BPBBD07	Tuesday 2 February 2016	10.00 – 12.00	DMFH Basingstoke
To book a place email sfyc.bd@hants.gov.uk			
1516BPBTV11	Tuesday 1 March 2016	13.00 – 16.00	The Wedge Andover
To book a place email sfyc.tv@hants.gov.uk			
1516BPBHR07	26 February 2016	10.00 – 12.00	Rushmoor Borough Council, Farnborough
To book a place email sfyc.hr@hants.gov.uk			
1516BPBEH13	26 February 2016	13.00 – 16.00	Bushy Leaze, Alton
To book a place email sfyceh@hants.gov.uk			
1516BPBEW08	22 February 2016	13.30 – 15.30	Pavilion on the Park, Eastleigh
To book a place email sfyc.ew@hants.gov.uk			
Other dates and venues yet to be finalised			

Lead Practitioner Safeguarding Briefing

This session offers an opportunity for your Lead Practitioner (Safeguarding) to meet your Childcare Development Business Officer (CDBO) and Inclusion Team Leader (ITL), to network with other LPs and share good practice.

Open to: Lead Practitioner or supervisor in PVI provision or chairperson of committee-run group (if more appropriate.) Please note this session has to be restricted to only one person per provision).

To book: email sfyc.nf@hants.gov.uk stating name of person wishing to attend.

Course Code	Date	Time	Area
1516BLPSSGNF02	Monday 14 March	13.00 – 15.00	Lyndhurst

Online Headcount Seminar

This session will explain the online claim process to enable you to make your January claim online, if you are still making paper claims. Places **must** be booked.

To book: email sfyc.nf@hants.gov.uk stating name of person wishing to attend.

Course Code	Date	Time	Area
1516BOHNF05	Tuesday 12 January	10.00 – 11.30	Totton

Termly meetings and support sessions

New provider module and local Early Years Education (EYE) funding briefing

Open to: people wishing to set up a new business, new management without childcare experience or committee members wishing to improve their knowledge of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) and EYE Funding Terms and Conditions.

To book: email sfyc.nf@hants.gov.uk stating name of person wishing to attend.

Course code	Module	Date	Time	Area
1516EYEM03	EYFS module	Tuesday 8 March	16.00 – 18.00	Winchester
1516EYESEM03	EYE seminar	Tuesday 22 March	17.00 – 19.00	Basingstoke

Business Support meetings

One hour meeting slots (sessions 10.30 – 15.00) to discuss any issues relevant to running your business, for example, sustainability issues or EYE claiming.

Open to: New management and providers.

To book: email sfyc.nf@hants.gov.uk

Date	Venue	Area
Thursday 4 February	Totton Hub	New Forest

Birth to three (B23) meetings

The focus of this termly network meeting is the implementation of the integrated two year old check which is a statutory obligation for all Early Years providers. This termly network meeting is for practitioners working in pre-schools and nurseries with children under three years old. It will provide an opportunity to network with others, share expertise and hear relevant updates. The Health Visiting Team co-deliver these sessions and are available to practitioners to discuss individual concerns.

Booking is essential due to limited capacity at venues and so that we can update you if there are any changes to the advertised details. **We advise you attend one B23 meeting per term.**

To book: email sfyc.nf@hants.gov.uk stating name of person wishing to attend

Course code	Date	Time	Area
Spring term			
1516B23NETNF07	Tuesday 8 March	14.00-16.00	Lymington

1516B23NETNF08	Tuesday 8 March	16.30-18.30	Lymington
1516B23NETNF09	Thursday 10 March	15.30-17.30	Hythe
1516B23NETNF10	Thursday 10 March	17.45-19.45	Hythe

Summer term			
1617B23NETNF01	Tuesday 21 June	14.00-16.00	Lymington
1617B23NETNF02	Wednesday 22 June	13.00-15.00	Ringwood
1617B23NETNF03	Thursday 23 June	15.30-17.30	Hythe

Year R Network Meetings

The Year R Network Meetings provide opportunities for Year R teachers and Learning Support Assistants to meet with colleagues from other schools to share professional expertise, analysis of local data, identification of trends, needs and vulnerable groups. At each session we look at an Early Learning Goal in detail and discuss the sort of evidence you need to support your judgements. Moderation of Early Learning Goals with local schools is a statutory requirement.

The focus for the Year R network is moderation and transition. There will be opportunities for agreement trialling and networking. **Please bring the exemplification materials and evidence for the agreement trialling element of the meeting. The focus of spring term meeting is reading.** Evidence can include learning journals, work samples, Tapestry, etc.

Booking is essential due to limited capacity at venues and so that ensure that we have sufficient materials for each attendee and update you if there are any changes to the advertised details. **We advise you attend one of the Year R Network meetings per term.**

To book: email sfyc.nf@hants.gov.uk stating name of person wishing to attend

Course Code	Date	Time	Venue
Spring term 2016 – moderation focus: reading			
1516BYRNNF05	Monday 29 February	16.00 - 17.30	Wildground Infant School
1516BYRNNF06	Wednesday 2 March	16.00 - 17.30	Ashley Infant School

Summer term 2016			
1617BYRNNF01	Tuesday 24 May	16.00 - 17.30	Our Lady and St Joseph
1617BYRNNF02	Wednesday 25 May	16.00 - 17.30	Hazel Wood Infant School

Children's Centre Cluster Meetings

The Cluster meeting is a local forum for all partners working with children in the Early

Years Foundation Stage i.e. PVI providers, Children’s Centres, local schools and Health Visitors. During the meeting we discuss the needs of the community we serve and base the identification of priorities on national and local data. Opportunities for joint moderation of the 30-50 and 40-60 age and stage bands will also be a feature of these meetings so please bring along evidence to support judgements for 30-50 and 40-60 bands.

Please book so that we can update you if there are any changes to the advertised details.

To book: email sfyc.nf@hants.gov.uk stating name of person wishing to attend.

Children’s Centre Cluster	Venue	Time	Date	Booking code	Moderation focus
Spring term 2016					
Forest First and Cadland	Forest First	16.00 – 18.00	Monday 18 January	1516BCMTGNF10	Understanding
Harbour and The Patch	Harbour CC, Eling Infants	15.45 – 17.45	Wednesday 20 January	1516BCMTGNF11	Communication and language
Waterside	Waterside CC	16.00 – 18.00	Thursday 21 January	1516BCMTGNF12	Listening, attention and understanding
The Phoenix	Phoenix Centre CC	13.00 – 15.00	Thursday 28 January	1516BCMTGNF17	Communication and language
Bridges and Pathways	Bridges CC, Fordingbridge	16.30 – 18.30	Wednesday 27 January	1516BCMTGNF16	Understanding
All Seasons and Seedlings	All Seasons CC	16.30 – 18.30	Thursday 28 January	1516BCMTGNF18	Communication and language

Summer term 2016					
Forest First and Cadland	Forest First	16.00 – 18.00	Monday 18 April	1617BCMTGNF01	
Harbour and The Patch	Harbour CC, Eling Infants	15.45 – 17.45	Wednesday 20 April	1617BCMTGNF02	
Waterside	Waterside CC	16.00 – 18.00	Thursday 21 April	1617BCMTGNF03	
The Phoenix	Phoenix Centre CC	13.00 – 15.00	Thursday 28 April	1617BCMTGNF05	

Bridges and Pathways	Pathways CC (Ringwood library)	16.30 – 18.30	Wednesday 27 April	1617BCMTGNF04
All Seasons and Seedlings	All Seasons CC	16.30 – 18.30	Thursday 28 April	1617BCMTGNF06

Other training opportunities:

SENCo support group

Open to: non-maintained early years provider SENCos for settings in the private, voluntary or independent sectors. Please be sure to attend one of these groups, dates in other districts are available. Please check the website for further details: www.hants.gov.uk/support-groups.

To book: email sfyc.nf@hants.gov.uk stating name of person wishing to attend.

Booking code	Date	Time	Area
Spring term 2016			
1516BSENSUPNF07	Monday 29 February	16.00 – 18.00	Fawley
1516BSENSUPNF08	Monday 29 February	19.00 – 21.00	Totton
1516BSENSUPNF09	Thursday 3 March	13.00 – 15.00	Hordle
1516BSENSUPNF10	Thursday 3 March	16.00 – 18.00	Ringwood

Summer term 2016			
1617BSENSUPNF01	Thursday 26 May	13.00 – 15.00	Lyndhurst
1617BSENSUPNF02	Thursday 26 May	16.00 – 18.00	Lyndhurst

Details of all core inclusion training being delivered across the county can now be found on our Inclusion training webpage:

<http://www.hants.gov.uk/inclusion/area-inco-support/inclusion-training.htm>

Core inclusion training

SENCo Induction

All setting SENCos are required to attend our SENCo Induction training course to gain a basic understanding of the SENCo role.

Open to: early years provider SENCos for settings, trainee SENCos and key inclusion staff in the private, voluntary or independent sectors.

To book: email the relevant local office stating setting name, name of person wishing to attend and course code.

Course code	Date	Time	Area	Booking
1516SENBD02	Wednesday 3 February	09.30 – 15.30	Basingstoke	sfyc.bd@hants.gov.uk
1516SENHR01	Friday 4 March	09.30 –	Farnborough	sfyc.hr@hants.gov.uk

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1516SENEW01	Thursday 10 March	09.30 – 16.00	Winchester	sfyc.ew@hants.gov.uk
1516SENF01	Tuesday 15 March	09.00 – 15.30	Fareham	sfycfg@hants.gov.uk

Understanding Children's Behaviour

This 3 hour workshop is an introduction to behaviour management for all practitioners. Delegates will look at ways of creating a positive behavioural environment in their setting for all children. They will also learn how to use ABCC charts to analyse individual children's behaviour. Practitioners who have attended this workshop can then book onto Positive Approaches to Challenging Behaviour

Open to: early years providers in the private, voluntary or independent sectors.

To book: email the relevant local office stating setting name, name of person wishing to attend and course code.

Course code	Date	Time	Area	Booking
1516UCBEH01	Wednesday 10 February	13.00 – 16.00	Alton	sfyceh@hants.gov.uk
1516UCBTV01	Friday 11 March	09.30 – 12.30	Romsey	sfyc.tv@hants.gov.uk
1516UCBHR01	Friday 11 March	12.30 – 15.30	Farnborough	sfyc.hr@hants.gov.uk
1516UCBHA01	Wednesday 13 January	09.30 – 12.30	Waterlooville	sfycha@hants.gov.uk

Positive Approaches to Challenging Behaviour

The workshop develops practitioners' understanding of children's behaviour and how to design interventions to overcome challenging behaviours. Prior to attending this course delegates should have attended 'Understanding Children's Behaviour' training.

Open to: early years providers in the private, voluntary or independent sectors.

To book: email the relevant local office stating setting name, name of person wishing to attend and course code.

Course code	Date	Time	Area	Booking
1516PACBHA01	Wednesday 2 & 16 March	09.30 – 12.30	Waterlooville	sfycha@hants.gov.uk

1516PACBEH01	Wednesday 24 February Wednesday 16 March	13.00 – 16.00	Alton	sfyceh@hants.gov.uk
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Attachment

This one day course introduces the key concepts of attachment theory and emotional attachment. It enables practitioners to reflect on the effectiveness of their environment and practice in enabling individual children's emotional and developmental needs to be met.

Open to: early years providers in the private, voluntary or independent sectors.

To book: email the relevant local office stating setting name, name of person wishing to attend and course code.

Course code	Date	Time	Area	Booking
1516ATTNF01	Tuesday 23 February	09.30 – 16.30	Lyndhurst	sfyc.nf@hants.gov.uk

Inclusion for All

This basic one day course develops practitioners' understanding of what inclusion means and provides resources and strategies to improve inclusive practice in line with Ofsted requirements.

Open to: early years providers in the private, voluntary or independent sectors.

To book: email the relevant local office stating setting name, name of person wishing to attend and course code.

Course code	Date	Time	Area	Booking
1516IFATV02	Tuesday 19 January	09.30 – 15.30	Andover	sfyc.tv@hants.gov.uk (Sorry due to space in the venue only one delegate per setting)

Autism Awareness

This half day course has been developed as part of Hampshire's Autism Strategy to raise awareness and understanding of autism in the wider workforce. It is aimed at all early years practitioners and aims to develop their understanding of autism and the way it affects children in early years settings.

Open to: early years providers in the private, voluntary or independent sectors.

To book: email the relevant local office stating setting name, name of person wishing to attend and course code.

Course code	Date	Time	Area	Booking
1516AUTAWFG01	Thursday 21 January	09.30 – 12.30	Fareham	sfycfg@hants.gov.uk

1516AUTAWBD01	Wednesday 27 January	09.30 – 12.30	Basingstoke	sfyc.bd@hants.gov.uk
1617AUTAWEW01	Tuesday 12 April	09.30 – 12.30	Winchester	sfyc.ew@hants.gov.uk

Sensory Workshop

This half day training is designed to help practitioners become more aware of the effects of sensory information and how it may impact on life skills and behaviour.

Open to: early years providers in the private, voluntary or independent sectors.

To book: email the relevant local office stating setting name, name of person wishing to attend and course code.

Course code	Date	Time	Area	Booking
1516BSENWEW01	Thursday 3 March	09.30 – 12.30	Winchester	sfyc.ew@hants.gov.uk

The Communication Tree

This half day course aims to develop practitioners' understanding of the various aspects of speech, language and communication including exploring top tips and practical activities to support and encourage language development.

Open to: early years providers in the private, voluntary or independent sectors.

To book: email the relevant local office stating setting name, name of person wishing to attend and course code.

Course code	Date	Time	Area	Booking
1516CTWNF01	Thursday 25 February	13.00 – 16.00	Lyndhurst	sfyc.nf@hants.gov.uk