

Early Years Key Messages

1st July 2024

Please share Key Messages with all staff in your provision. Previous Key Messages available at: <https://cyps.northyorks.gov.uk/early-years-key-messages>

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Early Years Funding Information

Early Years Funding
Thank you to everyone who has signed the Early years Funding Agreement – reminders have been sent to those who have not signed theirs.
Estimate Deadline is this Friday!
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure your monthly payment is accurate by completing the online estimate form by 5th July 2024 - Full guidance and link to the form given in the email from eyft@northyorks.gov.uk sent to your nyey email address on 24th June 2024.
Check the Working Parent entitlement code before offering funded hours for September!
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Check the Working Parent entitlement codes have a <u>start date on or before 31st August</u> and <u>end date on or before 1st September 2024</u> for all eligible children.
Autumn term headcount
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The provider portal will open on 9th July 2024 for Autumn term headcount submissions. Please don't wait until October; you can change the claim right up until the end of headcount week.
Guidance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Full range of guidance on Early Years Funding can be found by using this link Early Education Places, Funding and Entitlement CYPInfo (northyorks.gov.uk) Please share this with the relevant staff in your provision.

Childcare Expansion Grant Funding Applications

Details of the Delivery Support Grant funding applications for wraparound childcare for primary school aged children and Capital Grant funding applications to support children taking up an early years place for qualifying working parents (from the term following the child reaching 9 months to the term in which they turn three years old) and to increase supply of wraparound childcare will be shared shortly by email.

Wraparound Childcare Meet and Greet

Existing and prospective providers of wraparound childcare for primary school aged children are warmly welcomed to an informal online '**Meet and Greet**' on **Tuesday 9th July, 11:00-12:00**. We will begin the session with a few key updates before handing over to you to ask any questions you may have. This is a lovely opportunity for providers to come together to share experience, ask questions and seek advice about the setting up and running of wraparound childcare. All we ask is that you join the session with a cuppa and maybe even a slice of cake! Please use the following link to join the session: [Join the meeting now](#)
We very much look forward to meeting you.

Early Years Meet and Greet

Capital Grant funding will potentially be available for early years providers wishing to expand their provision in order to meet demand for the 30 hours entitlement for qualifying working parents (from the term following the child reaching 9 months to the term in which they turn 3 years old). Applications will be subject to local need and eligibility criteria. We will be holding an informal session via Teams on **Friday 12th July at 9:30 – 10:30am** for all providers about the North Yorkshire childcare market and the Capital Grant Funding. Please follow this link to join the meeting: [Join the meeting now](#)

Outdoor Learning & Growing Training

There are a couple of spaces left on the Outdoor Learning & Growing training on **Tuesday 16th July from 12.30-3.30pm at East Barnby environmental centre near Whitby**. Everyone will receive curriculum resources and some growing goodies to take back to your setting with you. The resources and training are free as the Healthy Early Years programme is funded by public health.

The course code for bookings via [NYES Info](#) is: SI-0724-T009.

Free IDAS Training

The Independent Domestic Abuse Service (IDAS) are looking for IDAS Champions. Even by putting a poster up in your provision you could make a difference. Free online training will be available on the follow. Click on a link below to reserve a place on their upcoming training:-

[Wednesday 10th July, 10.00 am - 1.00 pm, online](#)

[Tuesday 3rd September, 9.30 - 11.30 am, online](#)

Free Holiday Activities and Meals for Families This Summer

FEAST is back this Summer holiday and better than ever, with a fantastic range of activities to keep children active, fed and having fun during the school holidays. All children and young people across North Yorkshire can get involved, with free places and a free meal for eligible families, thanks to funding from the Department for Education.

If a child is eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals or is made eligible by exception (see the [FEAST FAQs](#) for details), they will receive a voucher from their school. This will enable the family to book school holiday activities that are part of the FEAST programme for free, using the online platform Holiday Activities. Watch the [step-by-step guide](#) on how to redeem the FEAST voucher and book free activities.

Head over to the [FEAST website](#) now to discover all the incredible activities waiting.

Summer Safety

As children play out more over the summer, there are several potential hazards that parents should be aware of to make sure they remain safe from poisonous plants to weed killer, trampolines to barbecues. The [Child Accident Prevention Trust](#) have put together some guidance, useful resources and children's activity sheets to remind us all how we can keep children safe whilst enjoying the summer sun.

Verbo for Early Years – Funded by Locality Boards

Verbo is an online toolkit for speech, language and communication needs and ALL early years providers i.e. childminders, PVI settings and schools with EY offer can use it for free until Sept 2025. If you want to sign up or to find out more go to the locality boards website [Home - Locality Boards \(localityboardsnorthyorks.co.uk\)](https://localityboardsnorthyorks.co.uk) and click on the locality board for your setting, then click on 'Verbo Early Years'. You will then need to complete a form that will go straight to Verbo and they will email you with your login details. Verbo has been created by NHS and the feedback we have so far is that it is a fantastic resource. If you have any questions, please email jennie.holt@northyorks.gov.uk.

Family Food Leaflet

Please find attached a Family Food leaflet for you to share with your families and display in your settings. Attachment One.

Autumn Term Free EY Safeguarding Masterclass – 16th October 2024

Please note the next free Early Years Safeguarding Masterclass will be 16th October at 7pm – 9pm. Presenters will include:-

- LADO
- Multi Agency Child Exploitation (MACE) – multi agency partnership to address the sexual and criminal exploitation of children.

This is available to book on NYES now. Course code NYS-ON-1024-T005