

# Early Years Key Messages

1<sup>st</sup> June 2025

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 Leaders' Forums – June 2025**

The next Early Years Leaders' Forums will be on Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> June 2025 from 1900 – 2100 (Course Code SI-0625-T007) and Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025 from 1300 – 1500 (Course Code SI-0625-T008). Please book via NYES.

## **NYSCP Safeguarding Week 2025**

The North Yorkshire Children Safeguarding Partnership are excited to announce the programme for Safeguarding Week 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> June 2025. Please see the poster to book your place. **(Attachment 1)**

## **Early Years New Manager or Childminder Support**

Are you a new manager or childminder who needs additional support and guidance? Families Information Service offers information, guidance and support. Please contact [Fis.Information@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:Fis.Information@northyorks.gov.uk)

## **FREE Level 3 Qualifications**

Reminder: Fully funded\* Level 3 courses are still available through Adult Learning at North Yorkshire Council. If you have a member of staff who is interested in completing an accredited Level 3 qualification in either Early Years or Playwork (wraparound childcare), please email [EYexpansion@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:EYexpansion@northyorks.gov.uk) for further information. We have courses starting now! **This funding is only available for a limited time so please don't delay and contact now if you are interested.** \*Eligibility criteria apply.

## **Early Years Educator Advocates**

The Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) is looking for six early years practitioners from across the PVI and maintained sector to become champions to model and support evidence-informed approaches for an initial two-year period. Advocates will receive a package of support and will be expected to travel across England. Applicants have until 23:59 on 19<sup>th</sup> June to apply for the role. For more information, including click [here](#)

## **NEW FIS Facebook For EY and Wraparound Providers**

Reminder about our new Facebook page for **all** Early Years and Wraparound Childcare providers. We would like to invite all early years and wraparound staff, childminders, headteachers, managers and admin staff, to follow the page, so please share the details within your teams.

**North Yorkshire Council Early Years Providers:** <https://www.facebook.com/share/1GoWuGjKU1/>

## **Child Accident Prevention Trust – Magnet Safety**

Doctors are warning parents of the danger of magnets. New data has shown around 300 children were admitted to A & E in a single year after swallowing magnets, with one in 10 requiring life-saving operations. The Child Accident Prevention Trust are offering a free downloadable poster, a safety fact sheet and some safety guidance to share with your staff and parents [Read about the risks and how to avoid them](#) (Attachment xxxx and xxxx)

## **Child Accident and Prevention Trust – Parent Pack**

Child Safety Week is just one week away and CAPT are on a mission to share some safety advice with as many families as possible. After all, Safety is for Sharing. Please share the **free** parent pack with your families. (Attachment xxx)

## **Dingley's Promise Training – Promotion with Parents**

Dingley's Promise FREE Inclusion training is available for ALL early years PVI providers and school staff in North Yorkshire [Early Years Inclusion Programme - Dingley's Promise](#). Is it also available **free** for parents and carers. Please see the attached flyer for you to put on display in your setting and/or share on your website and social media. (Attachment xxx)

## **DfE Check an Early Years Qualification Service**

Early Years managers and leaders can check details about a qualification and receive a clear outcome that can be printed. The service aims to simplify qualification checks achieved in the UK, reduce admin and save time during the recruitment process. Early years managers can now use the new [Check an early years qualification](#) digital service to quickly verify whether staff qualifications meet the requirements for staff:child ratios. The new service can be accessed at [https://check-an-early-years-qualification.service.gov.uk/?utm\\_source=northyorks&utm\\_medium=referral&utm\\_campaign=la](https://check-an-early-years-qualification.service.gov.uk/?utm_source=northyorks&utm_medium=referral&utm_campaign=la)

The service is tailored specifically for early years managers. All other user groups (e.g. practitioners) should continue to use the [Early Years Qualifications List \(EYQL\)](#) to check qualifications, and contact [Ecctis](#) if they are unable to find the qualification on the EYQL. Holders of non-UK qualifications should continue to contact [Ecctis](#) for an assessment.

## **DfE Early Years Provider Newsletter**

A new DfE newsletter for Early Years providers will begin in June. Subscribers will receive the latest announcements, information and news from the department on how we are reforming early years education and support childcare expansion. Sign up by visiting the link below and clicking on the "Sign up to receive our provider e-mail updates" [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/provider-guidance-and-resources](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/provider-guidance-and-resources)

## **Childcare Works free webinars for EY and Wraparound Providers**

Join one of the upcoming Childcare Works live sessions and find out more about the wealth of resources, guidance and information available to support you. Wraparound providers 10<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm and early years providers 11<sup>th</sup> June at 1200 noon **Find out more and sign up at** [childcareworks.org.uk/webinars](http://childcareworks.org.uk/webinars)

## **Early Years funding**

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<b>UPCOMING - Provider Portal opening for headcount checks – 2<sup>nd</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> June</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ The portal will shortly be reopening for providers to check their headcount submission and make any amendments</li><li>✓ An email will be sent out on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June with instructions</li><li>✓ Please note, this only relates to children attending on headcount week</li></ul>

### Summer term 2025 After Headcount Claims

The Portal is not available for providers to submit After Headcount claims yet. If you wish to enquire about making an after headcount claim this term, then please send an email to [eyft@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:eyft@northyorks.gov.uk) with the following information:

- ✓ The child's full name and date of birth, the date the child is joining you from, how many total weekly funded hours you wish to claim. A brief explanation as to why they are coming to you to access their funding.
- ✓ After headcount funding is only available if an eligible child has joined your provision from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May onwards, the child must never have previously accessed funded hours at a North Yorkshire funded provider **at any time**, unless you are a childminder
- ✓ Children accessing working family funding must have a valid code with a start date prior to 1<sup>st</sup> April 25 and an end date after 31<sup>st</sup> March 25
- ✓ Guidance on how to make an 'after headcount' claim can be found through this link. [After headcount guidance.pdf](#)

### Date for your Diary - Provider Briefings - Wednesday 2 July at 1:30pm and 7pm

- ✓ Email [eyft@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:eyft@northyorks.gov.uk) to book a place, please include the following details:
  - Provider/Setting Name,
  - Names of attendee's / email addresses (to receive their teams invite)
  - Session they would like to attend

### Confirmation of details for new Funding Agreement – **DEADLINE PASSED**

- ✓ Providers required to sign a new Funding Agreement were sent an email on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May from Rosie Mackay
- ✓ If you have not responded to the email please do so asap to avoid a delay in issuing your new Funding Agreement
- ✓ *Please note – no Funding Agreements have been issued at this stage – you will receive your agreement in due course*