

Early Years Key Messages

October 2020

Please ensure Key Messages is shared with all staff in your provision. Previous Key Messages can be found: <http://cyps.northyorks.gov.uk/early-years-and-childcare>

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Two Year Funding Process - Golden Ticket letter from November

As previously shared, we have been working on ways to improve the current two year old funding application process. From November 2020, this will change to a Golden Ticket letter for families who are eligible and are on the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP) list. The new process is intended to improve the customer journey for families making it simpler and quicker for them to access a childcare place, which in turn supports place planning in childcare settings. The process will not change for families not on the DWP list who will make a manual application through FIS. Further details will be available before November.

In preparation for November, please find attached:-

Powerpoint slides from the recent presentations. Attachment 1
One Minute Guide. Attachment 2
FAQs from the presentations. Attachment 3.

Track and Trace Procedures

Updated guidance documents and flowchart have been produced for educational settings to guide them through Test and Trace. **The flowchart replaces all previous versions. From 18/09/2020 you should follow the process outlined and illustrated in the flowchart which can be found at <https://cyps.northyorks.gov.uk/covid-19>**

Department for Education (DfE) weekly survey

All early years providers should complete the survey via the online link by **09.30 am every Thursday** until further notice. The data provided by you informs official statistics released by the DfE. <https://consult.northyorks.gov.uk/snapwebhost/s.asp?k=159256847548>

SEND Locality Hub Handbooks and Referral Form

The SEND Referral Form and SEND Handbook for each locality Hub are available on the CYPS website. Please select the relevant hub information your location <https://cyps.northyorks.gov.uk/send-hubs>

EYFS Early Adopter - Development Matters

The Department for Education (DfE) has published a revised non-statutory Development Matters which supports the delivery of the revised early years foundation stage (EYFS) which comes into effect for all providers in September 2021. Attachment 4.

NYSCP – Developments in Safeguarding Managers masterclasses

These virtual sessions are designed for frontline Managers / Designated Safeguarding Leads of those working with children and young people.

Twilight Session: Thursday 5th Nov, 16.00 – 17.00

Lunchtime Session: Friday 6th Nov, 12.00 – 13.00

Please visit the booking website <http://nyestraining.co.uk/Training> and search keyword “masterclasses” - this will enable you to book on either a Lunchtime or Twilight session.

Early Help Virtual Twi-light Offer for Schools and Early Years Settings

Early Help virtual training and Activity Calendar available for Autumn Term 2020. Attachment 5.

Change of Manager or Deputy Manager

It is imperative that you notify Families Information Service when there is a change of Manager or Deputy Manager in your provision by emailing fis.information@northyorks.gov.uk. You must also ensure that Ofsted are notified and that you amend the staff record tab using the online provider portal.

<https://fisportal.northyorks.gov.uk/Synergy/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2FSynergy%2FProviders%2F>

Early Years Qualifications

To check if a person’s qualifications allow them to work in early years and be included in staff:child ratios go to :-https://www.gov.uk/guidance/early-years-qualifications-finder?utm_source=bd8eb957-66bc-4f99-8418-7bad10a44d1a&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=daily

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/eyfs-staffchild-ratios-dfe-approved-qualifications?utm_source=8d1e6131-f43a-4356-bb95-ea74abe4c898&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=daily

DfE Government Alerts

Sign up to the government’s website to receive the latest updates directly including the daily update currently issued during the pandemic crisis at <https://www.gov.uk/>

Reminder about EYFS disapplications ending

The relaxation of the learning and development and assessment requirements of the early years foundation stage (EYFS) that were implemented at the onset of the coronavirus outbreak came to an end on **25 September 2020**. The disapplications relating to paediatric first aid (PFA) and qualification requirements related to ratios have a two month transitional period and so will end on **25 November 2020**. The validity of PFA certificates which expired during the outbreak is also extended to **25 November 2020** at the latest. This applies to certificates expiring on or after **16 March 2020**.