

Early Years Education Continuing Professional Development 2019/20

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Please note: all sessions will be held at the Edge Hill University Ormskirk Campus <https://www.edgehill.ac.uk/location/>

Confirmation of venue/room details will be emailed to participants prior to the session

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<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Assessment without scores</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Aims:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">To look at the use of observations to assess children's development without using scores. To identify developmental steps within the Early Learning Goals. To use observations to discuss how learning occurs and fits under the Early Learning Goals umbrella. A series of case scenarios will be discussed and "A spider web of learning" will be used to assess development using alternative assessment strategies.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Alicia Blanco-Bayo</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday 8th October 2019</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2-4pm</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><u>NQT Forum 1 - Training for NQT Mentors</u></p> <p>Your first parents' evening - tips on how develop positive relationships with parents and build confidence when speaking to them about their children's progress</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Heidi Winrow</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 17th October 2019</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5-7pm</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Cultivating a 'positive reputation through social media'</u></p> <p>A thought-provoking session reflecting on some of the challenges social media present whilst exploring ways of harnessing the power of on-line activity to promote early years 'business' and create a positive and resourceful personal on-line presence.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ian Currie</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 30th October 2019</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2-4pm</p>
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<p><u>The Communication Matrix</u></p> <p>Aims: Explore the current policy context and underpinning research for communication, language and literacy (and speech, language and communication [SLC]) Review child development pedagogy and neuro-scientific evidence Explore 'good levels of development' for language and literacy to identify children 'at risk'</p> <p>Dr Karen Boardman</p>	<p>Thursday 21st November 2019</p>	<p>3-5pm</p>
<p><u>NQT Forum 2 - Training for NQT Mentors</u></p> <p>NQT drop in – (the content will be planned around NQT training needs- they will be emailed with a request for any training needs)</p> <p>Heidi Winrow</p>	<p>Tuesday 26th November 2019</p>	<p>5-7pm</p>
<p><u>Using practitioner led inquiry with Early Years SENCOs to improve provision and practice for young children with emerging needs.</u></p> <p>This session explores the important role of the Early Years SENCO and some of the challenges faced when putting the 'SEND Code' into practice when working with young children (2-5 years). It draws on accounts from SENCO's who have taken an action learning approach to their professional development, working together to critically reflect on their practice and implement changes in order to more fully meet the needs of the "Unique Child".</p>	<p>Thursday 16th January 2020</p>	<p>2-4pm</p>

<p>Through their stories, the concept of 'early identification' will be examined and how by deepening their understanding of what 'high quality inclusive practice' means in the Early Years, the experience of children with SEND and their families was improved.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Janice Darkes-Sutcliffe</p>		
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<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Using qualitative research in education</u></p>	<p>Thursday 6th February 2020</p>	<p>2-4pm</p>

<p>This session is for those who are thinking of conducting research in early childhood. It considers some of the possible research methods and explores different issues around methods, ethics, giving children a voice and research design.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dr Annabel Yale</p>		
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<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Working with two-year olds – ‘potentials, possibilities and challenges’</u></p> <p>“The period between pregnancy and 3 years is increasingly seen as a critical period in shaping children’s life chances, based on evidence of brain formation, communication and language development, and the impact of relationships formed during this period on mental health. It is therefore also a critical opportunity to intervene and break cycles of poor outcomes.” (Scottish Government, 2008- the Early Years Framework)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Aims:</p> <p>To deepen understanding of the world of a two-year-old child by examining key theories relating to their development, play and learning and exploring what this means for practice and provision.</p> <p>Examine how we can help to ‘diminish the difference’ in attainment through our work with children and their families, reflecting on partnership with parents including the significance of the ‘Home Learning Environment’</p> <p>Explore how each of us can plan learning which will enable a two-year-old to thrive, moving learning forward in ways that are meaningful and developmentally appropriate.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Janice Darkes-Sutcliffe</p>	<p>Friday 27th March 2020</p>	<p>2-4pm</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>NQT Forum 3 - Training for NQT Mentors</u></p> <p>Writing reports and EYFS profile - information about how to complete the EYFS profile and how to construct meaningful reports for parents.</p>	<p>Wednesday 1st April 2020</p>	<p>5-7pm</p>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Forest School Taster Session EYFS</u></p> <p>An introduction to the Forest School approach, philosophy and practice. The session will consist of a brief classroom-based rationale with some discussion, before undertaking a small number of practical activities designed to promote reflection on the outdoors as a rich and engaging learning environment.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Jackie Sumner</p>	<p>Tuesday 21st April 2020</p>	<p>2-4pm</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Mathematics Rich Environment (Indoors)</u></p> <p>This session explores the mathematical concepts children experience during play indoors. They may experience this at a conscious or subconscious level depending on the visibility of the enhancements that have been made by the practitioners. We will unpick these experiences and discuss the extent to which the experiences match with Development Matters or do they provide valuable exposure to higher level concepts that will become familiar to them later in their education.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hefin Williams</p>	<p>Wednesday 22nd April 2020</p>	<p>3-5pm</p>
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<p align="center"><u>The mathematics rich environment (Outdoors)</u></p> <p>This session will look at how the outdoor environment can support mathematical learning in both EYFS and Key Stage 1. We will explore mathematical language and the extent to which this is currently enhanced by your outdoor provision. For this session we would like you to bring some photographs of your outdoor environment. Further details will be given nearer the time.</p> <p align="center">Hefin Williams</p>	<p align="center">Wednesday 17th June 2020</p>	<p align="center">3-5pm</p>