



# Stay Connected with Early Years!

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## Read me now – Urgent and important information

Welcome to the first edition of our new fortnightly bulletin, a short update to keep our local early years workforce up to date. This bulletin is in addition to our termly newsletter and specific information we may need to send about funding or safeguarding matters. You are receiving this email because you are an Early Years Provider in Nottingham City or you have specifically requested to receive this bulletin.

## Read what's coming up next - Important but not urgent information

### 'Do Something BIG' Campaign – Advertising vacancies on Find A Job

The Department for Education's [Do Something BIG](#) recruitment campaign is continuing to highlight the huge difference early years educators make to young children and how rewarding working in the sector can be. With over 46,000 visits to the campaign website each week, potential applicants are being directed to the DWP's [Find a Job](#) vacancy platform to search for early years roles in their area. If you have a vacancy to advertise then do make the most of this free platform! Find out more [here!](#)

### Feed Your Way Evaluation

Small Steps Big Changes are partnering with Apteligen, a specialist research, data and evaluation consultancy, to evaluate the Feed Your Way breastfeeding campaign. This behaviour change campaign was commissioned by SSBC, and this evaluation is a follow up to the initial phase carried out around 10 months ago. If your work relates to infant feeding, pregnant women, or families with babies or young children, please complete the [Feed Your Way Workforce Survey](#). SSBC are eager to hear from a broad range of perspectives, whether you are familiar with the campaign or not, and regardless of whether you participated in the first round. Your support is much appreciated.

## Read when you get a moment – Information you might find interesting

### New Speech and Language Advice Line for parents

Nottinghamshire Health Care trust has launched a dedicated Speech and Language Advice Line for parents of children aged 0 – 19 years, and also 16 – 19 year olds, who would like advice around concerns or questions they may have around speech, language and communication. The service is open to both Nottingham City and Nottinghamshire parents. Please [click here](#) for more information. Please do share this service with your parents.

### Upcoming Networks and Training

Please see below a reminder about our upcoming training and network meetings. Details for these specific opportunities are hyperlinked, but don't forget you can view our full CPD offer for the rest of the academic year on the [Training Pages](#) of the Early Years website and all courses can be booked [here](#).

We hope you take the opportunity to join us for these sessions and if there is any specific training you require, or have any general training queries, please contact [eytraining@nottinghamcity.gov.uk](mailto:eytraining@nottinghamcity.gov.uk)

- ❖ **PREVENT Duty** is a free briefing specifically for Nottingham City PVI practitioners including leaders and managers (Day Nurseries, Preschools and Childminders) and will provide practitioners with an understanding of the Prevent Duty and fundamental British values supporting mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs.
  - **Next Session:** Monday 25th November 2024, 10.00am - 11.30am, online (MS Teams)

❖ **Upcoming Termly Networks**

Network	Overview	Details
<a href="#">SENCO Network</a>	This Network is for SENCOs from Nottingham City PVI (Day Nurseries, Pre-Schools and Out of School Clubs Membership keeps SENCOs up to date on current SEND issues, developments or new initiatives as well as providing CPD and invaluable networking opportunities. To request a membership registration form, please email <a href="mailto:Eytraining@nottinghamcity.gov.uk">Eytraining@nottinghamcity.gov.uk</a>	<p><b>Dates:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 7th November 2024, 6th March 2025 &amp; 5th June 2025</li> </ul> <p><b>Time &amp; Venue</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 10.00am–12.00pm, online (MS Teams)</li> </ul> <p><b>Membership Fee:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ £50 per setting covers annual attendance at all SENCO Network meetings</li> </ul>
<a href="#">DSL Network</a>	This network, for Nottingham City PVI (Day Nurseries, Pre-Schools and Out of School Clubs), is overseen by the Nottingham City Safeguarding Children Partnership, and certificated by CPD UK. The network will, develop and enhance safeguarding practices and processes across the Early Years sector, improve communication between the Early Years sector and the Safeguarding Children Board and provide support to DSLs in their role as a DSL.	<p><b>Dates:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 13th November 2024, 26<sup>th</sup> February 2025 &amp; 11<sup>th</sup> June 2025</li> </ul> <p><b>Time &amp; Venue:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 9.30am–12.00pm, online (MS Teams)</li> </ul> <p><b>Cost:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ FREE to Nottingham City Providers</li> </ul>
<a href="#">Leadership Network</a>	This network is specifically for Nottingham City PVI (Day Nurseries, Pre-Schools and Out of School Clubs) leaders, managers and room leaders. Membership keeps leaders and managers up to date on current Early Years issues, developments or new initiatives as well as providing CPD and invaluable networking opportunities. To request a membership registration form, please email <a href="mailto:Eytraining@nottinghamcity.gov.uk">Eytraining@nottinghamcity.gov.uk</a>	<p><b>Dates:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 20th November 2024, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2025 &amp; 25<sup>th</sup> June 2025</li> </ul> <p><b>Time &amp; Venue:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 10.00am–12.00pm, online (MS Teams)</li> </ul> <p><b>Cost:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ £60 per setting covers attendance at all Leadership Network meetings over the year and the Room Leaders Network on Thursday 5th December 2024</li> </ul>

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