

The Great North Early Years Stronger Practice Hub

August Newsletter and Key Dates for your Diary



Welcome!

Our newsletter will cover how we can help you and your setting through evidence-informed practices. Click below to access the areas of interest.

There are new dates for your diary so please ensure you check them out!

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Hartbeeps Sessions

Our Hartbeep's childminder network sessions have continued throughout the summer and remain highly successful and popular with our childminder community. Recently, Hartbeeps also delivered a funded session at Shootings Stars PVI Nursery in Wallsend and received fantastic feedback. Further dates throughout the autumn term have been secured to deliver more Hartbeep's sessions, to PVIs and nursery settings, who are located in our most deprived areas across the North East region.

"A superb session, thank you very much!"

There are still spaces in the remaining childminder network sessions in Durham. You can book a place [here](#).



Dates for your Diary

Please see below for a range of CPD available to book for FREE. Unless stated otherwise, these sessions are open to all childminders and practitioners working in early years settings across the North East.

[See all our events](#)

Saturday 21st September 9.30am-11am

'Embracing Loose Parts in Nature for Holistic Learning Opportunities' at Castle Kindergarten, Sacriston

[Learn more](#)

Monday 23rd September 1pm-2.30pm

'Forest School in Action: 'Leaving Our Mark' with Goosehill Early Excellence in Bothal Woods

[PVI/School-based - Learn more](#)

[Childminders - Learn more](#)

Thursday 26th September 1.30pm-3pm

'Forest School in Action: Mathematics - The Language of Nature' with Goosehill Early Excellence at Haltwhistle Academy

[Learn more](#)

Thursday 26th September 4pm-5.30pm

'Self Regulation: Understanding and Supporting Children's Behaviour in Early Years' Network Session at St Margaret's CofE Primary School, Durham

[Learn more](#)

Tuesday 1st October 4pm-5.15pm

'Elevating EYFS practices through the underpinning of clarity, routines, expectations and persistence!' Network Session at Bothal Primary School, Ashington

[Learn more](#)

Thursday 3rd October 4.30pm-5.30pm

Goosehill Early Excellence Autumn Forest School Network Session in Bothal Woods

[Learn more](#)

Tuesday 8th October 1pm-2.30pm

'Forest School in Action: Woodland Tales (Oral Storytelling)' with Goosehill Early Excellence in Bothal Woods

[PVI/School-based - Learn more](#)

[Childminders - Learn more](#)

Monday 14th October 1pm-2.30pm

'Forest School in Action: Nurtured in Nature' with Goosehill Early Excellence in Bothal Woods

[PVI/School-based - Learn more](#)

[Childminders - Learn more](#)

Thursday 24th October 1pm-4pm

'In the Forest: A Practical Introduction to Forest Schools' Network Session at Beechdale Nursery, Durham

[Learn more](#)

Coming soon...

Autism Education Trust CPD sessions at Haltwhistle Academy. More information to follow!

**Early Years Conference - Creating Confident Communicators:
Providing the Best Start for All Children**



The Great North Early Years Stronger Practice Hub Childminder Conference

Creating Confident Communicators: Providing the Best Start for All Children

PLEASE NOTE: We are also taking bookings from practitioners working across all types of EYs provisions, including PVI's and nursery settings. All content covered in our conference presentations and workshops is appropriate for any practitioner, manager, or professional working in EYs settings with children from birth to five years old.

Saturday 12th October 2024

The Grand Hotel, Gosforth Park, Newcastle, NE3 5HN

- Arrival from 8.30am (hot breakfast sandwiches)
- 9am start
- 12.30pm finish

Book your place now!

SCAN ME

You are invited to our upcoming Early Years Conference, a FREE event dedicated to supporting the invaluable work you do for children across the North East.

This conference will provide a fantastic opportunity to enhance your knowledge and skills to best support children's communication and language development, connect and share evidence informed practice with fellow childminders and Early Years practitioners, and explore the latest research developments and supporting materials in early years education.

You will also receive a FREE bag of musical resources to support with implementing evidence informed communication and language development approaches back in your setting.

We have a fun packed morning planned with inspirational speakers and exciting workshops for you to access. Further details on our keynote speakers and workshop presenters will follow very soon.

[Book now](#)

Dingley's Promise FREE SEND Online Training (worth £250)



Dingley's Promise has used the expertise and knowledge of practitioners to develop SEND online short training courses. The courses are tailored for educators, childminders, practitioners, and anyone who works in an everyday setting with children with SEND, to help you work more inclusively with the children you support.

[Find out more](#)

Please see below for a range of recorded webinars that you can request...

'Total Communication' delivered by Abigail McCarthy, EYs and KS1 Lead at Cleaswell Hill Special Education School

[Request a copy of this webinar](#)



'How can Stories and Characters be used to Develop PSED?' delivered by Stella Jones, Director of Town End Research School

[Request a copy of this webinar](#)



'High Quality Interactions through Shared Reading' delivered by Stella Jones, Director of Town End Research School

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'EEF Evidence Informed Practice' delivered by Jen Ogden, Deputy Director of Town End Research School

[Request a copy of this webinar](#)

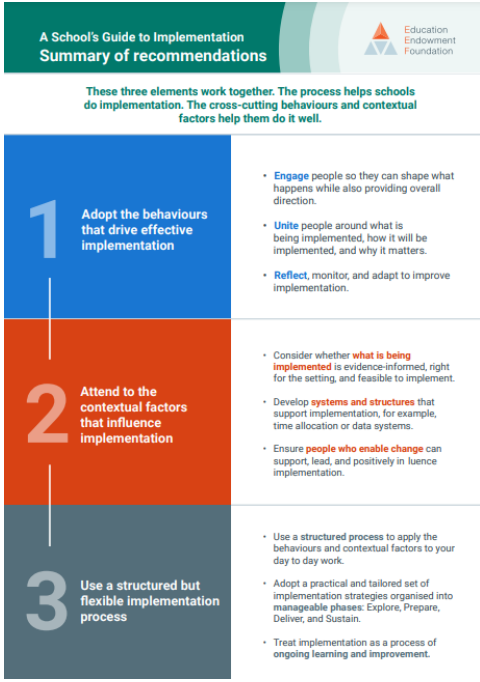
Blogs

Implementing Change in Early Years: Insights from the EEF's Guide to Effective Implementation

The start of a new academic year in early years settings, is a time of new opportunities and revitalised energy. It's a time when practitioners and leaders can introduce new strategies, refine existing practices, and set goals for the months/year ahead. However, implementing change in early years requires a thoughtful approach, one that is carefully planned and responsive to the unique needs of young children.

The [Education Endowment Foundation's \(EEF\) Guide to Effective Implementation](#) provides a plan for achieving this, ensuring that new initiatives are both impactful and sustainable. **Read our latest blog to find out more, including our top 5 tips for successful implementation.**

[Get Now](#)



DfE/EEF News

Help shape the future of the EEF's support and resources



The Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) has launched its annual sector survey to find out more about the priorities and pressures of practitioners working across a variety of stages. These insights will help them to make sure that the support they offer the education sector is as useful and relevant as possible. Those who complete the survey will be entered into a prize draw to win £50 of Amazon vouchers and a selection of EEF printed guidance reports. There is also the opportunity to sign up to EEF Exchange, a growing community of evidence users working in education, with further incentives available for contributing, including exclusive invitations to join paid focus groups, joining a community of evidence users, advance access to EEF publications.

[Take part in the Survey](#)

EEF Programmes

Recruitment for NELI-Preschool and 'I Need This to Read' has closed. Thank you to everyone for your support and if you are taking part, we wish you great success.

Elklan 'Communication Friendly Settings' still has a few remaining spaces, however recruitment closes at the end of the day tomorrow (30th August). There is still time to secure a fully funded place by completing this [form](#). This is a fantastic opportunity to receive high quality communication and language training for FREE!



Other Great North Stronger Practice Hub News

Bespoke Advice and Feedback

Our Hub is here to signpost you to any appropriate support or to put together a bespoke package in collaboration with your Local Authority offer. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

Get in touch



We offer bespoke advice and feedback!

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Get in touch!



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