

YORKSHIRE & HUMBER TOGETHER EARLY YEARS STRONGER PRACTICE HUB



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June brings lots of exciting fully funded CPD opportunities, as well as our new streamlined booking system! Please look for the icon linked to each event  click for further information and to book.

What's on?

Check the national Stronger Practice Hubs website for all the latest updates and useful resources



<https://www.strongerpracticehubs.org.uk/>

Upcoming events - join us



Communication and Language

These are online and face to face sessions focusing on supporting you with children's development in Communication and Language. You have told us that this is one of the highest areas of need for you in your settings. Join like minded people to learn, share and reflect! We are always welcoming new members to our groups.

Speech and Language network

This is a regular network with a different theme each month. Delivered by the Seaside SALT team and includes Q&A

Tuesday 9th June, 6.30-8pm
Introduction to Attention Autism

BOOK NOW

Tuesday 14th July, 6.30-8pm
Understanding Information Carrying Words

BOOK NOW

Interactive Reading

Join Lead Practitioners across various settings for a face-to-face network where you will have the opportunity to find out more about Interactive reading, the provision and practice, and explore some research. Free resource for attendees.

Wednesday 3rd June, 9.00-10.30am
Hornsea Nursery School

BOOK NOW

Supporting Language

0-2 years

Join Helen Harron for this online session to unpick the specifics of supporting our very youngest children.

Tuesday 2nd June, 6-8pm

BOOK NOW



BLOG



Read Helen Harron's blog about supporting language 0-2
<https://www.strongerpracticehubs.org.uk/hubs/yh/yh-tgh-ey sph/resources/blog-supporting-children-under-2-communication-development>

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Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

These are online and face to face sessions focusing on helping you to support children with SEND. This is the number 1 area of need requested at the moment.

We are utilising the expertise of our partners at St Paul's Nursery School in York who are an Enhanced Resourced Provision for children with SEND. There are a mixture of networks and webinars planned and we will be responsive to your ongoing requests for support,

SEND Network

This a regular ONLINE network with a different theme each month.

*Delivered by Claire Rigden,
Headteacher at St Paul's.*

*Tuesday 16th June, 4-5.30pm
Toileting Training*

BOOK NOW

*Wednesday 8th July, 4-5.30pm
Celebrating Progress of SEND
Children*

BOOK NOW



Open Setting Visits

Come and visit St Paul's Nursery at their new home and watch their specialist provision in action!

*Thursday 4th June
1 hour slots available*

BOOK NOW

SEND Webinars

*Martin Cumming, SENCo at
St Paul's Nursery*

*Thursday 11th June, 4-4.30pm
Musical Interaction*

BOOK NOW

*Thursday 2nd July, 4-4.30pm
Transitions from setting to setting*

BOOK NOW



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Leadership

We understand the challenges of being an Early Years Leader at the moment. Our leadership sessions aim to support you in whatever leadership position you are in to support your setting to develop and improve in a culture of ongoing reflective practice.

Leadership of 0-2 provision - FACE TO FACE

Charlotte Dunster-Page is a Clinical Psychologist and founding director of Born to Bond CIC. She has extensive experience in the NHS, including leading in a parent-infant relationship service.

Charlotte offers training, consultation and supervision to health and education staff around infant mental health, baby sleep and perinatal mental health. This foundation session is for 0-2 room leaders / managers

York - 18th June 9.30am-1.30pm

BOOK NOW

*Scarborough - Thursday 9th July
9.30am-1.30pm*

BOOK NOW

Leadership of 0-2 provision ONLINE

The online version of the sessions being held at York and Scarborough. This is mainly aimed at Childminders, although all 0-2 room leaders and managers are welcome. Please attend the face to face sessions where possible.

*Monday's
15th, 22nd and 29th June
6.30-8pm*

BOOK NOW

Open Setting Visits

*Childhaven Nursery School
Come and visit a working nursery school and find out how we monitor the quality of our provision and practice. using the SSTEWScales
FREE copy for all attendees*



Next date TBC



Infant Mental Health in the baby room by Charlotte Dunster-Page
https://www.strongerpracticehubs.org.uk/sites/default/files/uploads/docuemnt/54/Infant%20Mental%20Health%20Jan%202026%20%281%29_0.pdf

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Childminders

We recognise the unique challenges that childminders face accessing high quality CPD. Our sessions consider timings carefully and also include sessions that your mindees can join you on!

Childminder Networks

Join Georgina Young of Young One's Childminding in these ONLINE sessions.

Wednesday 3rd June, 6.45-7.30pm

*Big Changes, Little Feelings: Supporting Children Through Transitions
(Focused on school starters, new children, and emotional wellbeing during change)*

BOOK NOW

Tuesday 7th July, 6.45-7.30pm

Loose Parts, Big Thinking: Unlocking Open-Ended Play

BOOK NOW

Tuesday 18th August, 6.45-7.30pm

Schemes Behind the Scenes: An Introduction to Schematic play

BOOK NOW

Wednesday 16th September, 6.45-7.30pm

Seeing the Learning: Supporting Schematic Play in Practice

BOOK NOW



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Childminders

Join Ria Machin of Mana Childcare - an outstanding Ofsted Registered Childminder with a Hygge in the early years accredited setting, for these ONLINE Childminder Webinars

Monday 10th August 6.45-7.30pm

How to become an Ofsted registered Childminder

Ria will guide you step by step through the process of becoming a childminder, making it clear and manageable. She will explain the requirements of the EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage), helping you understand how to meet standards for safeguarding, learning, and development. With her support, you'll learn about registration, training, and setting up your environment so it is safe, stimulating, and compliant. Ria's guidance ensures you feel confident and well-prepared to begin your journey as a professional childminder.

BOOK NOW

Monday 24th August, 6.45-7.30pm

Childminder leadership & recruitment

Ria will support fellow childminders in developing strong leadership skills and confidently managing their settings. She will guide you on how to lead a team effectively, create a positive working environment, and ensure high standards of care in line with the EYFS. Ria will also take you through the recruitment process for hiring assistants, clearly explaining expectations and responsibilities. With reference to the Department for Education (DfE) safer recruitment process, she will help you understand how to carry out thorough checks, conduct fair interviews, and ensure all staff are suitable to work with children, so your setting remains safe, professional, and well-managed.

BOOK NOW



New fully funded opportunity

Maths Champions

Maths Champions is an online professional development programme with 12 months access developed by National Day Nurseries Association (NDNA).

The programme consists of nine steps which can be completed flexibly around your schedule.

The aim of the programme is to increase practitioner knowledge, awareness and confidence in supporting early mathematics in order to improve outcomes for children.

Participating nurseries will nominate a Maths Champion and Deputy Maths Champion who will lead the programme supporting and driving improvement.

Scan the QR code to express interest in this fabulous programme and start the journey to receiving over £1000 worth of training for FREE!

Check out this video showcasing the Maths Champions programme

Video featuring Greenfields Childcare:

https://youtu.be/KP_GyKM_KLI



Fully funded places now available



Worth £1205 the Maths Champions programme is FREE for nurseries in England

Secure your funded place today!



The image is a promotional flyer for the Maths Champions programme. It features a yellow banner at the top with the NDNA logo and the text 'Fully funded places now available'. Below the banner is a QR code. A central photograph shows a young child in a yellow shirt sitting on the grass, holding two eggs, with a large basket of colorful eggs in front of them. A white callout box contains the text 'Worth £1205 the Maths Champions programme is FREE for nurseries in England'. At the bottom, there is an orange callout box that says 'Secure your funded place today!' and the Maths Champions logo, which includes a plus, equals, and divide sign.

