



Stay Connected with Early Years!

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Read me now – Urgent and important information

Early Year Recruitment Survey

Your feedback is vital in helping us understand the current challenges and successes around recruitment and retention across the Early Years settings in Nottingham City. By completing this short questionnaire, you'll be helping us shape the advice we offer, especially around recruitment and retention. **Please take a few minutes to share your views [here](#) before Friday 28th November 2025**, your input will make a real difference!

New Education Inspection Framework

The new Education Inspection Framework came into effect on 10th November 2025. This framework sets out how Ofsted inspects registered early years settings, maintained schools, academies, non-association independent schools and further education and skills provision in England. Please [click here](#) for more information.

Leadership Network

Our termly Leadership Network is next Wednesday, 19th November 2025, 10.00am - 12.00pm. This Autumn session will cover topics such as Pilot Inspection Experience, recruitment and retention and will feature guest speakers from Stronger Practice Hubs and the CIC Oral Health Improvement Team.

To attend any Leadership Network Meeting, your Setting must have completed and returned the Annual Registration Form - which can be [downloaded here](#). In addition, you must also book on to each individual Network Session using this [link](#). We look forward to seeing you there!

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

Autumn Term Management Information Collection for Funded Wraparound Provision

This is Reporting Week for wraparound providers in receipt of Childcare Expansion Funding. Please refer to the emails sent on 22nd October and 3rd November 2025 in relation to this data collection and ensure your survey is completed on or before **Friday 21st November 2025**, following the link in the email.

Better Protection for Survivors at Risk of Domestic Abuse

Survivors of violence and domestic abuse will no longer have to pay £318 to ensure their abuser cannot track them down through public records. Ministers have confirmed plans to scrap the Person at Risk of Violence Order fee, and you can read more about this here - [Better protection for victims at risk of violence as fee scrapped - GOV.UK](#)

Brilliant Babies! Starting 29th January 2026

Are you working with children under two? Brilliant Babies is a two-part training course designed to strengthen your understanding of this unique age group. Covering key developmental milestones, early support strategies, safer sleep guidance and how to create effective environments and attachments, the course blends theory with practical activities. It's ideal for anyone looking to expand their baby provision in light of the extended entitlements and those wanting to enhance the provision in their baby room. To find out more please click [here](#).

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

Wedding Congratulations!

You may notice a new name for one of our EYFS Support Workers, we don't have a new member of staff, but we do extend our congratulations to Shirley Leonce who got married in September and is now Shirley Carr. Shirley can be contacted on shirley.carr@nottinghamcity.gov.uk

Christmas Safety

With Christmas coming up, Child Accident Prevention Trust have produced advice around some potentially dangerous gifts. Please follow this link for more information - [8 dangerous gifts that could be a nightmare this Christmas](#)

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