

# Childcare News



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## Latest News

### Portage Workshop Success

In January, 22 enthusiastic and talented Early Years Practitioners attended a **National Portage Association - NPA Small Steps to Learning Workshop**, delivered by NPA Accredited Trainer, Sharon Ensor and Poole Portage Team Manager - Helen Jones.

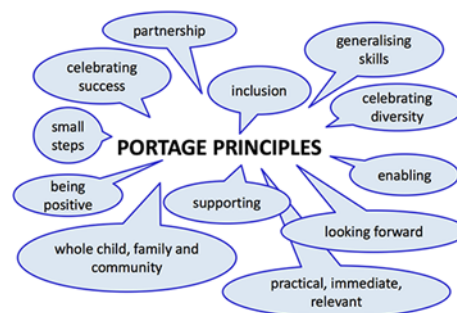
Practitioners learned all about the Portage model and ways in which they can incorporate the 12 Portage Principles into their early years practice when working with all children and particularly those with SEN/D and their families.

They discovered how to break learning activities into small achievable steps, and ways of 'grading' resources to make it easier for children to learn new skills and generalise others. Parents of a little boy with Autism also joined a session and shared their family's journey and their very moving personal experiences and reflections.

There was a fun filled afternoon exploring how children learn through sensory play activities and opportunities to 'have a go'. Sago pearls and an edible beach scene seemed to be particular favourites!

The workshop culminated in Practitioners celebrating success and sharing examples of Portage Principles and strategies in practice in their pre-school, day nursery and Children's Centre setting. A perfect way to end a really positive 2 ½ day workshop.

[Poole Portage Team](#) 01202 261931



### Early Education Statutory Guidance Update

The Department for Education has recently issued an updated [Early Education and Childcare Statutory Guidance for Local Authorities](#). This is an update to the last issue, March 2017. It now includes additional funding criteria from 1 April 2018 relating to the entitlement of:

#### Early Year Pupil Premium

From 1 April 2018 if a parent is entitled to Universal Credit they must have an annual net earned income equivalent to and not exceeding £7,400, assessed on up to three of the parent's most recent Universal Credit assessment periods, to be eligible).

#### Free Childcare places for 2 Year Olds

For places starting in the summer term of 2018 (on or after 1 April 2018), or any subsequent terms, if a parent is entitled to Universal Credit they **must** have an annual net earned income equivalent to and not exceeding £15,400, assessed on up to three of the parent's most recent Universal Credit assessment periods).

Any queries please contact [Darren Buckley](#) 01202 261989

# Latest News

## General Data Protection Regulations GDPR

Do you hold personal information as part of your business?

If yes, you need to be aware of the changes that are happening. The General Data Protection Regulation comes into effect on 25 May 2018. It will revolutionise the way companies handle and manage personal information. This new regulation will replace the EU Data Protection Directive. The central premise of this new regulation is that privacy is a 'fundamental right'. There are stringent new fines, new rules and new approaches early years providers need to understand in relation to the nursery data protection experience.

Please find more information below. This particular information is aimed at nurseries, but the content relates to all types of business in the early years sector.

[General Data Protection \(GDPR\) Checklist for Early Years Childcare Providers](#)  
[GDPR – What Early Years Providers Need to Know? \(National Nursery Training\)](#)

## Easy Read for Adults with Literacy Needs

Do children in your provision have parents/ carers with literacy needs?

If you have identified parents who would benefit from the support of this Easy Read voluntary group or you would like to invite a representative to a parents information event please contact Susan Ridd at [susanridd@readeasy.org.uk](mailto:susanridd@readeasy.org.uk) or phone 0793 804 1374

This is a voluntary service for adults in Poole only.

[www.readeasy.org.uk](http://www.readeasy.org.uk)

[Process for Read Easy Poole](#)



## Transition to School

Transition time is fast approaching. Please find below updated Transition documents that will help your transition planning for each child go smoothly and successfully.

[7 Skills to Support Children in School Readiness - A Resource for Early Years Practitioners: Preparing for Reception Year](#)

[Transition to School Guidance 2018](#)

## Free Resources!

### On Speech, Language and Communication Needs

To help you to...

- Identify which children may need support?
- Access evidenced speech and language interventions?
- Talk to parents about their child's development?

[Click here to find out more!](#)

## Celebrate Elmer Day!

Join in the national celebration of everything Elmer in May 2018.

Just visit the [Elmer Day website](#) to get your FREE resource pack for early years and schools



## Safeguarding

Access regular Safeguarding updates at:

[Bournemouth and Poole Local Safeguarding Children Board](#)

For more information on child safety, e-safety and links to other useful documents, visit [Protecting Children](#) on the FID



# What's On

## What's On At Your Local Library

### **Branksome Library:**

Waggy Tails talk, Tues 10 April 11am–12pm. Hear about the work of Waggy Tails and their rehoming policies. Meet a very friendly Labrador and see her tricks. Ages 6 and up. Booking required.

### **Creekmoor Library:**

Easter Tangram Pictures and Bunny Bingo Wednesday 11 April 10.30 – 12pm. Hopping good fun! Create seasonal pics using tangram shapes. Eyes down for bunny bingo and crafts . Ages 7-11, booking essential 01202 659289

Visit the [FID](#) for the full listing of Library Activities.

## Poole Children's Centres

### Easter Egg Hunt for under 5s!

Poole Children's Centres are holding an Easter Egg Hunt event for all families living in Poole with a child under 5 years of age. Just turn up...

At Poole Park – within the cricket pitch area, Tuesday 10 April 2018 10 – 11am

For more information please contact Old Town Children's Centre on 01202 261969.



### Starting Out Together at Poole Children's Centres

Old Town Children's Centre – 10:00 – 11:30am every Tuesday (throughout the year)

Rossmore Children's Centre – 10:00 – 11:30am every Wednesday (throughout the year)

Turlin Moor Children's Centre – 10:00 – 11:30am every Friday (throughout the year)

The only exceptions are during our development/shut down week which this year is week commencing 16 July and around Christmas.

The speech and language therapists will be dropping into our Starting Out Together sessions on the following dates during 2018: [Speech & Language Drop In Dates](#).

Please note there is no need for families to book onto Starting Out Together, however there are limited spaces. New families (or families that want to see the Speech and Language Therapist when in) will always be welcomed in.

### Children's Centre Toy Library

Poole Children's Centres have a range of Toy Library resources available to loan for children from birth to five years old. Just pop into Rossmore, Branksome, Old Town, Canford Heath or Turlin Moor Children's Centres to have a look.

[Find out more about Poole Children's Centres](#)



# Workforce

## Borough of Poole Early years CPD Funding Policy – 2018/19

The early years CPD funding policy for 2018/19 has been written and will be published on the home page of [CPD Online](#) shortly. Funding is available for DSL's and DDSL's working in Early Years Group Settings in the Borough of Poole attending LSCB level 3, 1 day and 2 day Safeguarding Children courses. In order to make a claim, a funding claim form must be completed. These will also be available via the home page of [CPD Online](#).

## SENCO Taught Programme – New Course

We are pleased to announce that the new SENCO taught course is open for bookings. This training will remain fully funded by the Borough. In place of the 26 week long course which has run for the last few years, the programme has been replaced with an 8 week course. The training programme will enable an experienced Early Years Practitioner to fulfil the leadership role of SENCO in an EY Setting or will enable a Childminder to practice high quality SENCO work.

Course dates and venues are as follows:

Module	Session Dates	Venue
Module 1 (4 sessions) 6.30-8.30 pm	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2018 Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2018 Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2018 Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2018	Delph Meeting Room, Dolphin Centre Delph Meeting Room, Dolphin Centre Committee Suite, Civic Centre Committee Suite, Civic Centre
Module 2 (4 sessions) 6.30-8.30 pm	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2018 Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June 2018 Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2018 Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Delph Meeting Room, Dolphin Centre Delph Meeting Room, Dolphin Centre Delph Meeting Room, Dolphin Centre Delph Meeting Room, Dolphin Centre

For further details and bookings please see [CPD Online](#).

## Change of contact in the workforce development team

Gabriela Zawacki left the workforce development team on 22 March and is moving to another department in the council to further her career. Thank you to Gabriela for all her work! A lady called Lucy Crescent is taking over as interim Business Support Officer. For any workforce development enquiries, please contact either [Lucy Crescent](#) on 01202 261903 or contact [Louise Chiles](#) on 01202 261913.

## Top CPD Events! Book Now!

- 1. Early Years Providers Inclusion Briefing:** 24 April 2018 7-9pm Civic Centre.
- 2. Safeguarding Training for Practitioners - 2 session course:** 16 and 23 May 2018 6-9pm Delph Meeting Room and a full day course on 5 July 2018 9.30-4.30 Delph Meeting Room.
- 3. Being 2 - Network for 2 year old Providers:** 21 June 2018 7-9pm Civic Centre.
- 4. Early Years Provider Forum:** 28 June 7-9pm Civic Centre.
- 5. Higher Level Safeguarding for Childminders:** 10 and 17 September 2018 Cattistock Room Civic Centre.

For more details and other courses visit [CPD Online](#).

**Useful Workforce Websites**  
*Find out about:*

- [Training Courses & Bookings](#)
- [Becoming an Early Years Teacher](#)
- [Childcare Vacancies](#)

## Useful 0-5s Team Contacts

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