



# EARLY YEARS TRAINING BROCHURE

2023-2024







### Introduction

### Welcome

Welcome to our Early Years Training Brochure where you will find an array of options to choose from.

- Section 1 BESPOKE TRAINING designed to be tailored to the individual needs of your setting. The training can be delivered at a time which suits you and via the medium you would prefer, e.g. face-to-face or on-line. Childminders, settings or schools are welcome to cluster together for Bespoke training. If there is any training you would be interested in, but is not offered, please do get in touch with one of the team to discuss your requirements.
- Section 2 PRE-RECORDED TRAINING access the 'pre-recorded' training modules as a time to suit you.
- Section 3 UNIVERSAL TRAINING OFFER a wide range of training sessions to book onto at a set date and time, either face-to-face or online.
- Section 4 SECTOR MEETINGS/FORUMS details of our 'Sector Meetings/Forums' which regularly meet.
- **CALENDAR OF DATES** separately you will find a calendar of key dates has been provided showing when training/meetings are due to take place each month. The calendar also shows the dates when 'Ready for Reception' and 'WellComm' data need to be returned'.

### To Book a Place

Please click on the 'BOOK NOW' icon to complete the online booking form or alternatively scan the QR code to access the online booking form. For BESPOKE training please contact the course leader, their details are provided with the course details.

### **BOOK NOW**



### Cancellation

Please contact the Course Leader if you are unable to attend a session that you have been booked onto.

Some sessions will **NOT** run unless there are the required number of delegates.

Where sessions are over-subscribed, delegates will be placed on a waiting list and if there is sufficient demand additional training sessions may be arranged.

### **Course Evaluations**

In order for us to be able to monitor the effectiveness of training, both in terms of how it is delivered and the impact it has at setting level, delegates will be asked to complete an online training feedback form.



Access training at a time that suits you. Childminders, settings or schools are welcome to cluster together for Bespoke training.



### **Self-Regulation**

Supporting self-regulation: creating a supportive environment in the Early Years' looks at what is meant by self-regulation, and how to support its' development in the early years

To book your bespoke session please contact

#### Andrea Corcoran



andrea.corcoran@halton.gov.uk



### Words, Words, Words

This session will focus on the importance of developing vocabulary, and extending language through quality interactions. How can you maximise opportunities to develop learning through the children's interests?

To discuss the needs of your setting please contact **Karen Hardman** 



karen.hardman@halton.gov.uk

### Section 1 -FREE Bespoke Training

### It's a Small World

Exploring how to support communication and language and story telling skills through small world provision

To book your bespoke session please contact **Tracey Lynch** 



tracey.lynch@halton.gov.uk

### **Communication Matters**

A walk through Halton's Total Communication Environments Audit and how to use it as a self-reflection tool

To book your bespoke session please contact **Tracey Lynch** 



tracey.lynch@halton.gov.uk

### **Playing with Phonics**

Bespoke session for whole staff training. This session looks at creating fun and engaging learning experiences designed to make early phonics come alive in Phase One. The session explores everyday experiences, rhymes and stories to support early phonics and looks at creating a sound rich environment in your setting.

To book your bespoke session please contact **Andrea Corcoran** 

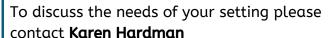


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### Creating a Rich Learning Environment

The Early Years team offer audit tools to enable you to reflect on the quality of your learning environment, a detailed report will enable you to devise a bespoke action plan. Audits include Halton's Total Communication Environments, ECERS and SSTEW.





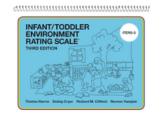
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### Two Year Olds Environment

The Early Years team offer the ITERS audit tool to enable you to reflect on the quality of your learning environment, a detailed report will enable you to devise bespoke training and an action plan.



To book your bespoke session please contact **Belinda Yen** 



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### Stepping into a World of Schemas

What is a schema? This workshop looks at how to identify, support and develop schemas to extend language through play

To book your bespoke session please contact Tracey Lynch



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### Section 1 -FREE Bespoke Training

### **Playful Maths**

The Playful Maths programme covers all aspects of early years maths, including numbers and counting, spatial awareness (shape, space, measure and pattern) maths language and maths outdoors. Settings can choose to access the training as a half-day INSET session, or as three 1 or 1.5 hour staff meetings

Individual sessions can also be chosen:

- Numbers and Counting
- Spatial Awareness
- Maths Outdoors

To tailor a package to suit your setting, contact **Andrea Corcoran** 



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### **Creative Conversations**

Exploring how role play can help to develop communication and language skills and how you can support this in your setting To book your bespoke session please contact Tracey Lynch



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Looking for a bespoke training package that's not here? Please get in touch with karen.hardman@halton.gov.uk to discuss your training needs and bespoke training packages





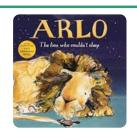
### Section 1-**FREE Bespoke Training**

### Developing a Love of Stories

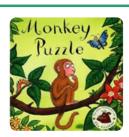
Choose one of the FREE workshops listed below for bespoke staff meetings or whole staff training. Each session lasts for 90 minutes and focusses on developing vocabulary through dialogic book talk, with links made to WellComm. We will explore ways to bring the book alive through continuous provision, focussed activities and songs/rhymes



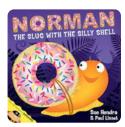
Literacy and Understanding the World - makes links to The Natural World & a love of nature.



Literacy and Personal. Social and Emotional Development mindfulness



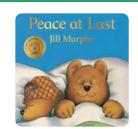
Exploring and **Understanding Words** 



Literacy and Critical Thinking/ Curiosity



Literacy, Emotional Development and Understanding the World



Exploring Words -**Early Phonics** 



Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Understanding the World and Print Awareness



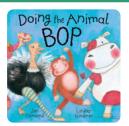
Literacy, Personal, Social and Emotional Development and Understanding the World



Literacy and Critical Thinking/ Curiosity



Literacy and Understanding the World - the outdoor learning environment



2 books in one session! Literacy and Expressive Arts and Design

To discuss your requirements and to book your **FREE** bespoke session please contact Karen Hardman



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Access training at a time that suits you. Childminders, settings or schools are welcome to cluster together for Bespoke training.





Access high quality speech, language and communication training at a time that suits you.

Brilliant for individual CPD or you can complete it as a staff team



## Section 2 - FREE Pre-Recorded Training

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Course Title	Overview of Training Module					
TALK EAL (An Introduction to English as an Additional Language)	An introduction to what it means to be bilingual, the typical pattern of learning English as an Additional Language, and ways for practitioners to support this.					
TALK Babies	A look at communication development in the first year and strategies for support. A great training module for practitioners working in a Baby Room.					
TALK Environments Audit	An overview/walkthrough of the 'TALK Halton Total Communication Audit Tool'. This training focuses specifically on the following sections of the audit; The Voice of the Child, The Physical Environment and Stories and Rhymes. The audit is a great self-reflection tool - what is working well and where are the areas for improvement?					
TALK Extending Language	A training video looking at how to take talking further. This session will enable you to understand the importance of developing vocabulary and expressive language skills and provide a range of strategies to support.					
TALK Speech Sounds	This informative training module led by an experienced speech and language therapist looks into how sounds are made, typical and a-typical speech development and early strategies to support speech.					
TALK Essentials and Talk Norms	Essential information for all practitioners in the Early Years about children's typical communication development.					
TALK Difficulties	A look at the complexity of the language system, key characteristics of speech, language and communication difficulties					

and how to support them. Types of Speech, Language and Communication Needs



## Section 2 - TAKE FREE Pre-Recorded Training

Course Title	Overview of Training Module					
TALK Adult-Child Interaction	A look at the importance of adult interaction in children's language learning, the impact these have and how to improve the quality of your own adult-child interactions.					
TALK Environments	A look at the importance of the physical environment on communication and what makes a 'Total Communication' setting/environment.					
TALK Social Communication in the Early Years	A training video looking at social communication in the Early Years. This training session aims to answer the following questions: What is social communication? What is pre-intentional communication? What are the support strategies?					
TALK Visual Supports	A look at a range of visual supports which can be used to support children at universal, targeted and specialist levels.					
TALK Transitions	book at the range of transitions children experience, including everyday transitions (e.g. moving from one activity to other) and how they can impact children. This session also looks at a range of strategies to support transitions, auding visual supports.					
WellComm Training	An overview of the Early Years WellComm Screening Toolkit, including why early identification and intervention is important, how to complete screenings and what to do next. Useful for practitioners who are new to the toolkit and also as a refresher. Walkthrough videos, with useful hints and tips are also able for each section of the WellComm screening.					

Please contact\_tracey.lynch@halton.gov.uk to be sent a link to access any of the above pre-recorded training modules.







### Section 3 -Universal Training

### Communication, Language & Literacy

Course Title

Date/Time/Venue

**Course Leader** 

Additional Information - including contact for booking place

Explore how role play can help to develop communication and language skills, the stages

of dramatic play development and how you can support this in your setting. Lots of ideas

Creative Conversations 29.11.2023 13.30-15.00 文語 DCBL Stadium

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Practitioner

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you can implement in your setting

Sustained
Shared Thinking

14.03.2024 10.00-11.30 Karen Hardman

Early Years Consultant with Language Specialism

Tracey Lynch

TALK Halton Early Years
Practitioner

What is Sustained Shared Thinking? Explore how to encourage and extend Sustained Shared Thinking. During this session we will also discover how floor books can be used in the early years.



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Words, Words, Words 8.11.2023
18.30-20.00
OR
21.11.2023
10.00-11.30

DCBL Stadium

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Early Years Consultant with Language Specialism

Tracey Lynch

TALK Halton Early Years
Practitioner

It is crucial that communication and language are at the heart of early years practice, to ensure that children have access to the wider world as they grow and develop. This session will explore what children need in order to become confident communicators. The session is jam packed with strategies to support and extend language skills, and there is time to reflect on the vital role that adults play in early speech, language and communication development



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Once Upon a Time.... Whatever Next! 14.11.2023 10.00-11.30 東京山 DCBL Stadium Karen Hardman

Early Years Consultant with Language Specialism

Tracey Lynch

TALK Halton Early Years
Practitioner

Books spark imagination, encourage creativity and promote communication for children. How can you encourage a love of reading? This session focusses on developing vocabulary through dialogic book talk and together we will explore ways to bring the story 'Whatever Next!' to life



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### Section 3 -Universal Training

### Communication, Language & Literacy

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#### Date/Time/Venue

#### **Course Leader**

### Additional Information - including contact for booking place

The Writing
Journey

6.2.2024

9.30-11.30 OR

27.3.2024

18.00-20.00

DCBL Stadium

Karen Hardman

Early Years Consultant with Language Specialism

Tracey Lynch

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Children learn that you can communicate through writing, and that marks have meaning, by watching you write. We will explore how children move through stages in their mark making, explore ways to support children's physical development and create opportunities for mark making in play.



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WellComm Leads Network Meeting

Autumn Term

9.11.2023

15.30-17.00 Halton Lodge CC

OR

10.11.2023

9.30-11.00

DCBL Stadium

Tracey Lynch

TALK Halton Early Years
Practitioner

What does the WellComm data tell us? How are we closing the 'gaps' for children scoring RED or AMBER on their WellComm screening? Find out what is happening in Halton, celebrate your successes and be inspired by others. Bring along anything you would like to share.

What did the Autumn Term WellComm data tell us? How are you using the WellComm

screenings to support children on their speech, language and communication journey? Find

out what is happening in Halton, celebrate your successes and be inspired by others. Bring



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WellComm Leads Network Meeting

**Spring Term** 

7.3.2024

9.30-11.00 DCBL Stadium

OR

7.3.2024

15.30-17.00 Halton Lodge CC Tracey Lynch

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Practitioner

along anything you would like to share.

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WellComm Leads Network Meeting

Summer Term

13.6.2024

15.30-17.00 Halton Lodge CC OR

14.6.2024

9.30-11.00

DCBL Stadium

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Practitioner

What did the Spring Term WellComm data tell us? What impact have you seen so far this year? Find out what is happening in Halton, celebrate your successes and be inspired by others. Bring along anything you would like to share.



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### Section 3 -Universal Training

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

**Course Title** 

Date/Time/Venue

Course Leader

Additional Information - including contact for booking place

**Self Regulation** 

30.1.2024 10.00-11.30 原語 DCBL Stadium

Andrea Corcoran

Early Years Quality Improvement Officer Supporting self-regulation: creating a supportive environment in the Early Years' looks at what is meant by self-regulation, and how to support its' development in the early years



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### Physical Development

**Course Title** 

Date/Time/Venue

**Course Leader** 

Additional Information - including contact for booking place

Outdoor Play

12.3.2024 10.00-11.30 資富量 Warrington Road Children's Centre

Claire Lomax

Early Years Family Information Service & Play Officer Exploring loose parts and using natural & authentic resources. Creating areas for exploration, discovery and imagination. How can practitioners be playful with children?



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### **Mathematics**

**Course Title** 

Date/Time/Venue

**Course Leader** 

Additional Information - including contact for booking place

Playful Maths: Maths Outdoors 23.11.2023 10.00-11.30 OR 29.11.2023 18.30-20.00

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Andrea Corcoran

Early Years Quality Improvement
Officer

The Playful Maths programme covers all aspects of early years mathematics. This session focusses on creating opportunities for maths exploration and play in the outdoor environment.



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### Section 3 -Universal Training

### **Understanding the World**

#### **Course Title**

### Date/Time/Venue

### Course Leader

### Additional Information - including contact for booking place

Let's explore Understanding of the World in the early years, what it means to you and

My World, Your Day **20.2.2024** 13.30-15.00



DCBL Stadium

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Early Years Consultant with Language Specialism

Tracey Lynch

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your children. Well planned experiences are at the heart of effective practice so we will explore a wealth of ideas for continuous and enhanced provision in addition to adult focussed activities



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**Block Play** 

**19.10.2023** 10.00-11.30



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Early Years Consultant with Language Specialism

Andrea Corcoran

Early Years Quality Improvement
Officer

Come and dive into the wonderful world of blocks and learn how to unlock their learning potential. Linked to the ECERs 3 Audit, this workshop will explore how to set up a stimulating and accessible block area that children are excited to investigate



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Diversity in the Early Years



Belinda Yen

Early Years Officer - Two Year Old Funded Programme Opportunity to discuss and reflect on diversity in the Early Years. Links will be made to the diversity aspect of the ITERS/ECERS audits



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### Section 3 -Universal Training

### **Expressive Arts and Design**

#### **Course Title**

#### Date/Time/Venue

**Course Leader** 

### Additional Information - including contact for booking place

Making the Most of Music 21.9.2023 9.30-11.30 資富語 Warrington Road

Children's Centre

Andrea Corcoran

Early Years Quality Improvement Officer Exploring the value of music for children in the early years, including creating, listening to and moving to music. Consider how you can develop your music curriculum, and create an environment that supports children's creativity and their ability to express themselves.



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### **Early Years Foundation Stage**

#### **Course Title**

### Date/Time/Venue

30.4.2024

#### **Course Leader**

### Additional Information - including contact for booking place

Child Development -Back to Basics 9.30-11.30 **V** 中门 DCBL Stadium

**Early Years Team** 

In order to meet the unique needs of your children you firstly need a secure knowledge of how young children learn. How can practice and provision be adapt to support children on their life long love of learning?



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Terrific to be

28.2.2024 9.30-11.30 原面 DCBL Stadium

Belinda Yen

Early Years Officer - Two Year Old Funded Programme Exploring the world of two year olds. What is it like to be 2 in your setting? Using ITERS to improve quality of practice and provision



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**New to EYFS** 

 Karen Hardman

Early Years Consultant with Language Specialism

Tracey Lynch

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The session will look closely at the requirements of the EYFS Framework and explore the non-statutory guidance. We will focus on developing a 'Love of Stories', creating a Story Web that brings a story to life, and also reflect on the importance of Nursery Rhymes. You will also have the opportunity to familiarise yourself with the wealth of information and resources available on Halton's Communication Hub



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### Section 3 -Universal Training

### Safeguarding

#### **Course Title**

### Date/Time/Venue

### **Course Leader**

### Additional Information - including contact for booking place

Level 2 Basic Safeguarding Awareness 12.10.2023 7.2.2024 <u>OR</u> 6.6.2024



18.00-20.30 TEAMS Jodie Wylie

Early Years Officer -Safeguarding and Welfare Requirements All staff in a childcare setting, including ancillary staff, are required to undertake Level 2 Basic Awareness in Safeguarding Training at least once every 3 years. There are 3 dates available during the academic year to book onto one of the courses.

For further information or to book onto one of the sessions please contact our Safeguarding and Welfare Requirements Early Years Officer



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£20 per person

Designated Safeguarding Leads Meeting

**Autumn Term** 

**3.10.2023** 10.00-11.30



**TEAMS** 

Jodie Wylie

Early Years Officer -Safeguarding and Welfare Requirements An opportunity for designated (and deputy designated) safeguarding leads to network with other Safeguarding Leads and keep up to date with changes in legislation and practice



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Designated
Safeguarding
Leads Meeting

**Spring Term** 

**6.2.2024** 10.00-11.30



**TEAMS** 

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Designated
Safeguarding
Leads Meeting

**Summer Term** 

**18.6.2024** 10.00-11.30



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### Section 4 -Sector Meetings/Forums

**Course Title** 

Date/Time/Venue

Course Leader

Additional Information - including contact for booking place

Early Years Cluster 20.10.2023 DCBL Stadium



Runcorn 9.30-11.30 Widnes 13.30-15.30 The Early Years Team

The aim of the Early Years Clusters is to provide an opportunity for schools and settings to meet together and share key themes around Early Years. The focus of this particular session is *Reception Baseline Assessment and transition into schools*. The morning session is for Runcorn settings and schools, and the afternoon session is for Widnes settings and schools - so lots of opportunities for networking.



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Early Years Cluster 25.1.2024 DCBL Stadium



Runcorn 9.30-11.30 Widnes 13.30-15.30 The Early Years Team

The aim of the Early Years Clusters is to provide an opportunity for schools and settings to meet together and share key themes around Early Years. The focus of this particular session is *Literacy*. The morning session is for Runcorn settings and schools, and the afternoon session is for Widnes settings and schools - so lots of opportunities for networking.



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Early Years Cluster 23.4.2024 DCBL Stadium



Runcorn 9.30-11.30 Widnes 13.30-15.30 The Early Years Team

The aim of the Early Years Clusters is to provide an opportunity for schools and settings to meet together and share key themes around Early Years. The focus of this particular session is *Mathematics*. The morning session is for Runcorn settings and schools, and the afternoon session is for Widnes settings and schools - so lots of opportunities for networking.



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Early Years Cluster **22.5.2024** DCBL Stadium



Runcorn 9.30-11.30 Widnes 13.30-15.30 The Early Years Team

The aim of the Early Years Clusters is to provide an opportunity for schools and settings to meet together and share key themes around Early Years. The focus of this particular session is *Transition to school*. The morning session is for Runcorn settings and schools, and the afternoon session is for Widnes settings and schools – so lots of opportunities for networking.



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## Section 4 Sector Meetings/Forums

**Course Title** 

Date/Time/Venue

**Course Leader** 

Additional Information - including contact for booking place

Early Years Forum

Autumn Term

**25.10.2023** 19.00-20.30



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The Early Years Team

An opportunity to network with colleagues working in Halton's Early Years and get up to date information from the Early Years Team.

More information regarding guest speakers and topics for discussion will be shared nearer to the date.



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Early Years Forum

Spring Term

**7.2.2024** 19.00-20.30



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Early Years Forum

Summer Term

12.6.2024



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### Section 4 -**Sector Meetings/Forums**

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#### Date/Time/Venue

#### **Course Leader**

#### Additional Information - including contact for booking place

An opportunity to network with other Early Years SENCOs and keep up to date with

**Early Years SEND Workshop** Autumn 1

11.10.2023 13.30-15.30

Halton Lea Library

Gail Vaughan-Hodkinson Early Years Team Lead

legislation and practice. This workshop is co-delivered by the Early Years and SEND teams.

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**Early Years** SEND Workshop Autumn 2

6.12.2023 13.45-15.45

Halton Lea Library

Gail Vaughan-Hodkinson

Early Years Team Lead

An opportunity to network with other Early Years SENCOs and keep up to date with legislation and practice. This workshop is co-delivered by the Early Years and SEND teams.



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**Early Years SEND Workshop** Spring 1

7.2.2024 13.30-15.30 Halton Lea Library

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**Early Years SEND Workshop** Spring 2

13.3.2024 13.30-15.30 Halton Lea Library

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**Early Years SEND Workshop** Summer 1

15.5.2024 13.30-15.30

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**Early Years SEND Workshop** Summer 2

19.6.2024 13.30-15.30

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