

EYFS Learning and Development Networks

Spring Term 2022



Aims

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To provide networking opportunities for early years lead practitioners

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To support early years leads to review and develop their provision to ensure the best outcomes for children

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To support settings to understand how to carry out a learning walk in their setting, giving a clear overview of the quality of their provision

Reviewing Quality

- What is high quality in early years practice?
- How do you know if you have high quality provision? (what do you see and hear in your setting?)
- What do you currently do to review the quality of your provision? (formal and informal review)

Audit Tools – some examples

- West Sussex Quality Improvement Criteria updated version coming soon!
- West Sussex Inclusion Framework (local-offer.org)
- ECERS/ITERS etc <u>Environment Rating Scales® | Environment Rating Scales® (unc.edu)</u> also SSTEW, MOVERS
- Challenging practice to further improve learning, playing and interacting in the Early Years Foundation Stage (foundationyears.org.uk)
- <u>Learning, Playing and Interacting Good practice in the Early Years Foundation Stage (foundationyears.org.uk)</u>



Planning for Quality Improvement

- 1 Curriculum Intent, Implementation, Impact
- 2 Environment physical and emotional
- 3 Adult child interactions
- 4 Inclusion meeting the needs of all children regardless of background or level of need
- 5 Supervision, observation, support and training for staff
- 6 Routines
- 7 Staff roles and responsibilities sharing the load, supporting staff development

Quality Improvement Planning

| Area for development objectives | Actions | Who is responsible? | When will it be done? | Resources or funding needed | Impact (What will it look/be like when done - what impact on children?) | Review of progress |
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| Improving the quality of adult child interactions in the baby room | Attend ACI training. | RL | Jan 22 | Funding for training cost and release time | Paperwork shows strengths and areas for | resources for staff meeting. Meeting booked for 08.02.22. |
| | Cascade training to team at staff meeting. | RL | Feb 22 | Release time to enable RL to prepare | development for staff. Observations evidence improved adult child | |
| | Set up peer support and arrange peer observations and times for feedback. | RL | Mar-June 22 | Organisation of time for staff to complete peer observations and feedback | interactions. Assessments show improved communication and language development for children in the baby room. | |
| | Manager observation and feedback – for room and individuals, set actions for next steps | RL and SM | July 22 | Organisation of time for staff to complete peer observations and feedback. Staff meeting for room feedback and next steps planning | | |

Example

Learning Walk

Ofsted – to support their inspection, showing them what you want them to see and that you are proud of your provision and aware of, and are planning for, the next steps in your improvement journey

EYCAs – to support us in our role of providing you with support and challenge in order to ensure we have sufficient, high-quality childcare available for all children