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Early Years Initial
Teacher Training (EYITT)

Childminder offer 2025





Early Years Teacher Status

- Become an expert in teaching children across the Birth to 5yrs age range
- Teach in Reception class in academies and free schools
- Train for free with DfE funding (no course fees)
- Gain up to date subject knowledge on best practice in the Early Years
- Develop your leadership skills to support successful team development in the setting (if appropriate)
- Increase and improve support for children and families in the Early Years

Why train with us?



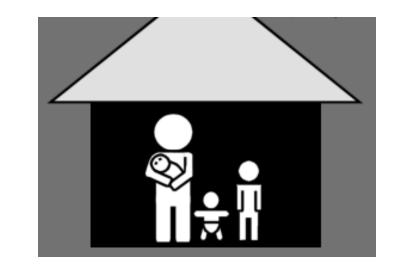




Introduction to the Childminder offer

We recognise that childminders provide a unique service to the children and families they work with. To support this, the offer for our childminder student teachers will be bespoke to their individual needs and their setting, whilst also ensuring they are fulfilling the requirements of the EYITT course.

Where necessary reasonable adjustments will be made during the programme







What does this look like?

- To ensure that childminders have a tailored approach:
- Support prior to interview via a telephone or Teams call regarding any questions, such as funding for the programme.
- Once on programme, a call where we will work together to plan out the journey from start to finish. This will include a discussion around individual placement requirements.
- Support to find a suitable mentor if required, who can help to develop your teaching practice and knowledge across the different age groups.



Childminder offer continued

- Monthly training/support meetings/networking with other childminders at an appropriate time of day to support with aspects of the programme, such as Leadership Action Plan and working in partnership with colleagues and other professionals.
- Weekly check ins from your personal tutor in chosen format (text/email/call).
- A communication log to record conversations between childminder and placement to support with planning and leadership evidence.



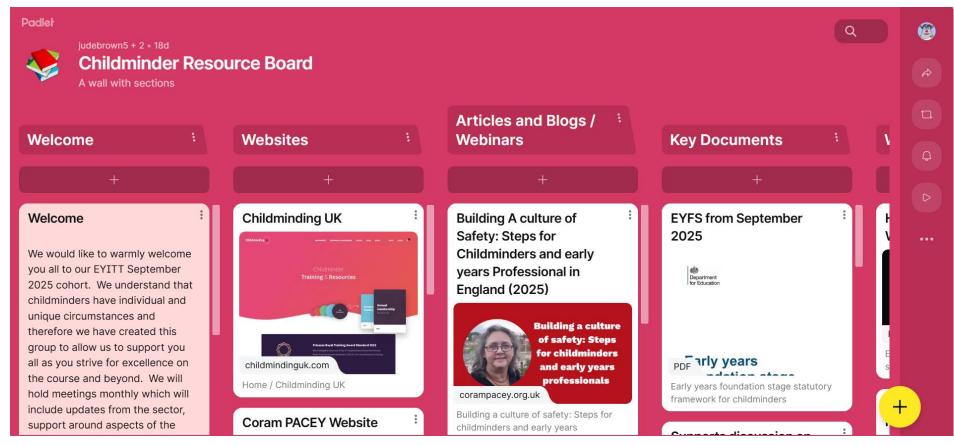
Childminder specific examples

- Learning sequences in the home and on placement
- Leadership Action Plan ideas
- Placements
- Termly reviews
- Mentoring support





A childminder Padlet of resources.





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What is the EYITT programme like?

- Face to face or virtual sessions for training days
- Online platform for uploading work and assessment and accessing modules
- A dedicated personal tutor to support you throughout the programme
- A setting and placement mentor to support and observe you each week
- Individual plan to help you make progress and offer challenge

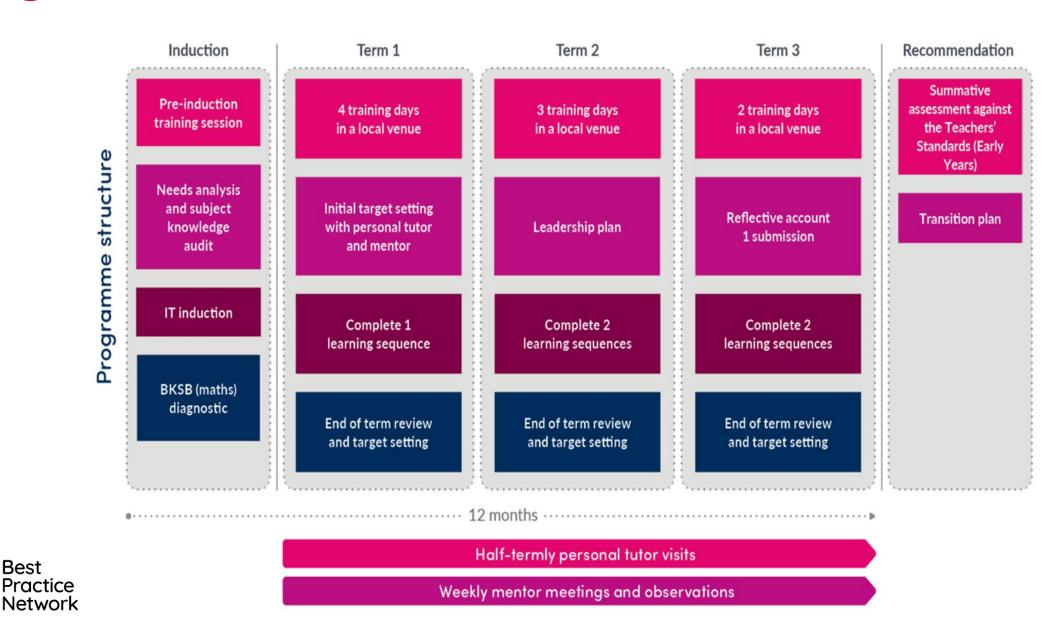






Programme Structure

Best



EYITT Curriculum Map

Our curriculum is:

- Broad and balanced
- Relevant
- Forward thinking
- Key themes for ITT
- Focus on safeguarding, leadership and well-being, will also be threaded through each training day







Training Days

Day 1-The Effective Early Years Teacher

Day 2-Adapting Teaching for the Unique Child

Day 3-Starting Strong

Day 4- Foundations for success

Day 5-Leading and supporting in the Early Years

Day 6- Promoting Equality, Diversity and Inclusion **Day** 7-Unlocking potential and widening opportunities

Day 8-The Reflective EarlyYears Teacher

Final Interview (virtual)





The role of the setting/placement mentor



- Support can be offered to help you find a suitable mentor.
- Mentors are 'expert colleagues' who will help you to develop your skills and knowledge as an EY Teacher
- Mentors will share their experience, expertise and skills on different aspects on the curriculum
- Observe you each week and give detailed feedback
- Set SHARP targets to help you progress and master the Early Years Teaching Standards



ITT requirements for placement

- Every student must cover the age groups from 0-5 years as a minimum (DfE requirement)
- Placements will depend on the ages of children that you have on roll.
- All students must complete a placement of at least 25 days.
- Placements need to offer a variety and depth of experience to enable student teachers to meet all of the Early Years Teaching Standards
- Placements are completed in at least 2 different settings (Rated good or Outstanding with Ofsted) Your childminding setting is setting number one! Some students may need 3 settings.
- Placements must be in a setting which delivers the EYFS or works to National Curriculum expectations







How is Early Years Teacher Status assessed?



- Ongoing assessment which includes observations, a reflective account, sequences of work and termly targets
- Demonstration of mastery of the EYITT curriculum
- A summative judgement that each student teacher meets the Teachers' Standards (Early Years)
- Exam board and recommendation for the award of Early Years Teacher Status

What are the entry criteria?

- A degree (or equivalent Level 6)
- GCSE in English, Maths and Science at grade C/ grade 4 or above.... or a recognised equivalent
- The right to study and work in the UK
- Competence in spoken and written English
- A satisfactory DBS check
- For all students: meeting the health and physical capacity to teach requirements







Equivalency Tests

GCSE Qualifications and equivalency tests

If applicants do not hold GCSEs in maths, English or science (no grade C/4 or above), they can complete equivalency tests.

*GCSE science equivalency test can be either Biology or combined.

We will accept equivalency tests from:

https://astarequivalency.co.uk/

Or any other equivalency provider!





Maths for free!

If applicants require their maths equivalency test, they can complete this through BPN:

- BKSB platform
- This will enable them to meet the ITT requirements to access our programmes

*May not be valid with another provider







What childminders on EYITT are saying about us!

I hugely appreciate your help and support. I can already feel your positive input into my own sense of wellbeing and self-esteem; I am loving this course! Thank you for everything you are doing in guiding me through everything.

My experience of the course so far and training days has been amazing.

The Padlets are also fantastic!!





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Feedback

Over the moon with the Padlets and all your help. It is a privilege to complete this course, and I have chosen BPN because I feel supported and encouraged!

It's a bit like having my
very own Fairy
Godmother- my
motivation has no
bounds!



We can help you take the next step!

Have a look on our website:

www.bestpracticenet.co.uk/eyitt

Check out our new childminder website page!

Talk to our team

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Any questions



