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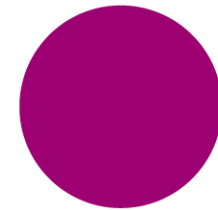
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Partnering for Growth: How Best Practice Network Supports Your Nursery's Success

*Programmes • Recruitment • Partnership Support •
Partner programme*



Welcome to Best Practice Network

Thank you for joining us today!

Today, we'll explore how Best Practice Network partners with nurseries and settings to help them grow, retain talent, and build stronger Early Years teams.

You'll learn:

- **How our programmes and progression pathways build future leaders**
- **How our recruitment and placement support connects you with the right talent**
- **How our partnership and loyalty programme gives you more support as you grow**

Who we are

Best Practice Network is one of the UK's leading education training providers, delivering high-quality programmes across Early Years, Teaching, and Leadership.

- National reach: supporting nurseries and schools across England.
- Expert tutors based nationwide.
- Over 20,000 learners supported each year.
- Trusted by thousands of nurseries, schools and local authorities.



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Programmes & Progression



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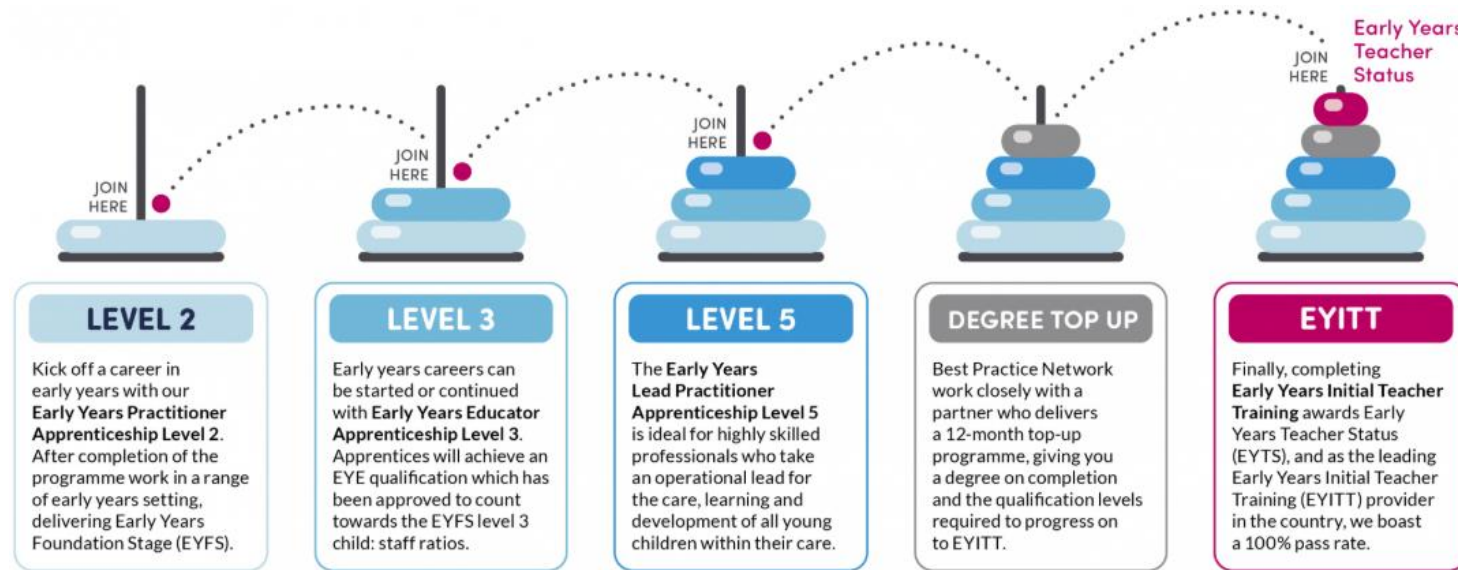
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Developing Future Leaders – Step by Step

At Best Practice Network, we're proud to provide a full professional journey that supports every stage of Early Years development — from new practitioners to strategic leaders.



Specialist or further progression:

Coaching in the Early Years Level 5, EYSENCO Level 3, and Early Years Senior Leader Apprenticeships Level 7



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Find the Right Programme for Every Role in Your Setting

Programme	Ideal for	Duration	Funding	Qualification/Outcome
Level 2 – Early Years Practitioner	New starters	12 months	Apprenticeship Levy Or £21 per month	Level 2 qualification
Level 3 – Early Years Educator	Experienced staff looking to progress	18 months	Apprenticeship Levy Or £24 per month	Level 3 qualification
Level 5 – Lead Practitioner	Room leaders / deputies	18 months	Apprenticeship Levy Or £25 per month	Level 5 qualification equals to foundation degree
Level 5 – Coaching in the Early Years <i>*First coaching qualification built just for the Early Years*</i>	Senior staff supporting others	9 months	Apprenticeship Levy Or £28 per month	ILM Level 5 Certificate in Effective Coaching and Mentoring
EYITT (EYTS)	Bachelor holder in EY settings	12 months	Fully funded by DfE	Early Years Teacher Status
Level 7 – Early Years Senior Leader <i>*First and only Level 7 Early Years Leadership Apprenticeship with Master's pathway*</i>	Managers, Principals, Owners, fast track to a Master's degree	14 months	Apprenticeship Levy Or £50 per month	Up to 120 Master's credit

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Supporting Every Learner to Succeed

- Dedicated tutors guiding learners step by step
- Tailored learning and wellbeing support
- 24/7 access to BPN Boost podcasts and resources
- Additional Learning Support or 1-on-1 tutor support where needed
- National tutor network able to support local help anytime

98.1%
apprenticeship
pass rate

Stronger learners, stronger settings

- Clear routes keep people motivated and reduce turnover
- Learners apply new knowledge in practice from day one
- Stronger staff to child ratios and higher quality of provision
- Time saved on recruitment and induction
- Leadership pipeline built from within
- Better outcomes for children and families

Recruitment & Placement



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Finding the Right Talent for Your Setting

At Best Practice Network, we understand that great settings need great people.

Our recruitment service connects you with motivated apprentices who are ready to make a difference in Early Years education.

- Nationwide recruitment support at no cost to your setting.
- Apprentices who are pre-screened and ready to start their journey.
- Matching based on your setting's size and culture.

How We Support You with Recruitment



If you need support with staffing, our recruitment team will work closely with you to find the best apprentices for your setting.

We support you by:

- **Advertise** – Your vacancy will be featured on our website, job boards, and the government's Find an Apprenticeship service.
- **Screen** – Every applicant receives an initial call to assess their eligibility, experience, and commitment to Early Years.
- **Shortlist** – We provide a pool of suitable candidates with detailed notes for you to review and invite for interviews.
- **Train** – Once you've chosen your new apprentice(s), we'll handle enrolment and training setup — ensuring a smooth start.



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How We Ensure the Right Match for Every Apprentice

We don't just recruit — we match apprentices to settings where they can truly thrive.

Our screening and matching process ensures every learner joins a team where they can grow, contribute, and feel valued.

Our process includes:

- A screening call with every applicant to discuss their experience, interests, and ideal setting type.
- Checking current vacancies to find the most suitable opportunities.
- Guiding candidates on how to approach local settings if no immediate match is available.
- Sharing CVs and profiles with potential employers.
- Supporting stay-and-play sessions or work trials to ensure the best fit for both sides.
- Providing ongoing feedback and continued support until placement is secured.



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Partnership & Loyalty Programme



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Not Just the Best Practice — The Best Partner

When you work with Best Practice Network, you're gaining more than a training provider — you're gaining a long-term partner.

We offer ongoing support to help your setting thrive:

- Continuous communication with our partnership team
- Guidance on funding, recruitment and programme planning
- Access to webinars, resources, and development tools
- Recognition through our new Partner Loyalty Programme

Supporting You as You Grow

At Best Practice Network, partnership isn't just about training — it's about growing together.

Our Partner Loyalty Programme recognises settings that invest in their teams through our apprenticeships and training. As your staff progress and your relationship with us grows, you unlock additional layers of support, recognition, and collaboration — designed to make your success easier to achieve and sustain.

Why we created the Partner Loyalty Programme

- To give partners a clear, supportive growth journey just like our learners.
- To ensure every setting receives the right level of attention, resources, and guidance.
- To strengthen long-term collaboration across recruitment, training, and quality.
- To celebrate settings that go above and beyond in developing their teams.

Partnership Tiers

Tier	Criteria	Partner Privileges and Support
Bronze	1 apprentice recruited or 1 staff enrolment	Welcome pack with digital recognition
Silver	3 apprentices recruited/placed or 2 staff enrolments	- Welcome pack with digital recognition - Dedicated named contact with termly catch-up call
Gold	10 apprentices recruited/placed or 3 staff enrolments	- Physical and digital recognition - Dedicated Partner Success Manager with monthly catch-up call and on-site visits - Exclusive partner portal with priority programme updates - Invitation to the BPN Early Years Conference
Platinum	Invited Gold Partners — by invitation only	- Physical and digital recognition - Dedicated Partner Success Manager with bi-weekly catch-up call and on-site visit - Exclusive partner portal with priority programme updates, partner landing page, and training webinar - Invitation to be a guest or panellist at the BPN Early Years Conference

Simple to join, designed to grow with you

How it works:

1. Start by training a team member or recruiting an apprentice through BPN
2. Grow through more learners, planning calls, and engagement
3. Collaborate with your Partner Manager on goals and priorities
4. Progress through tiers and unlock deeper support

Partner Interview

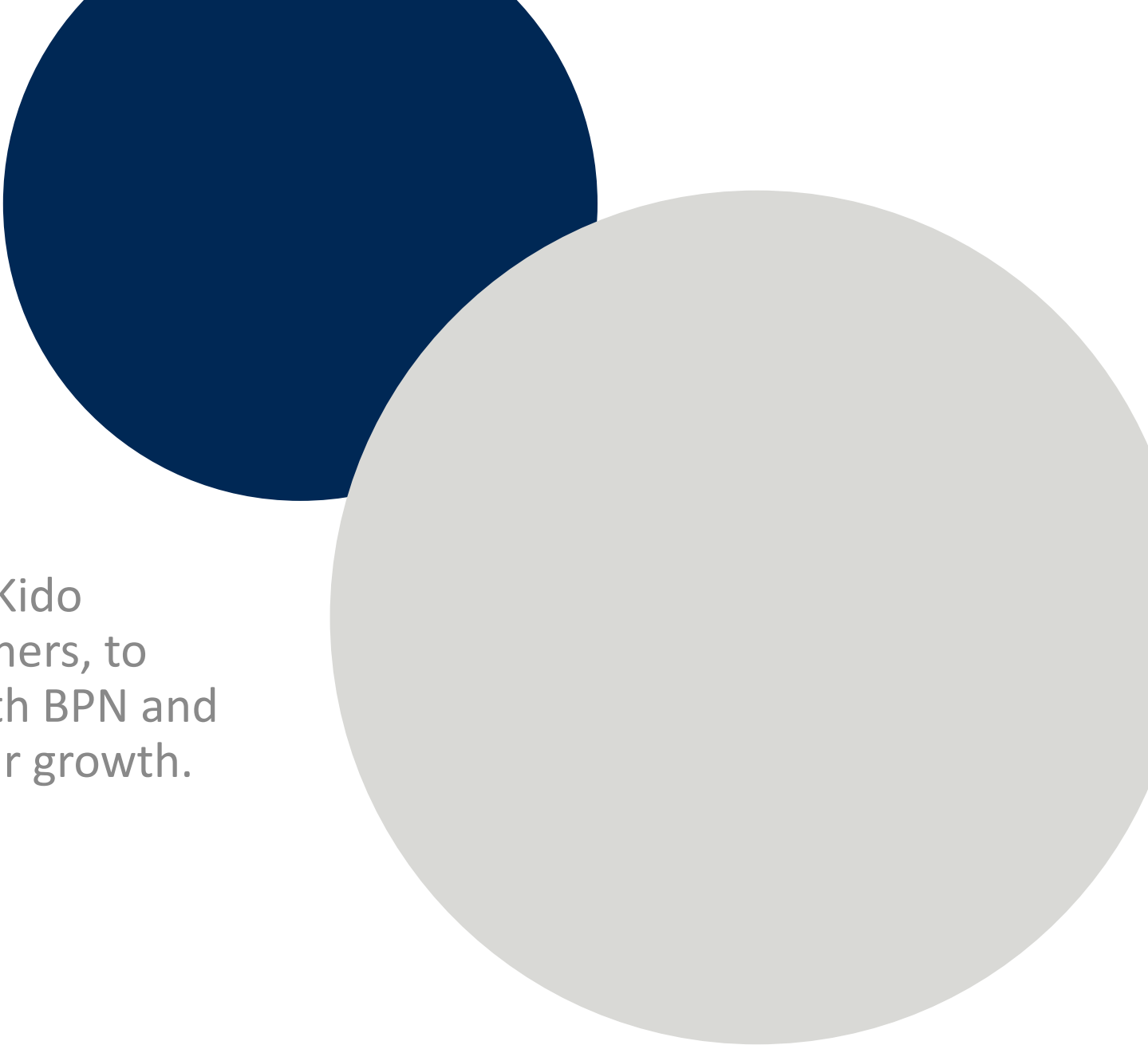


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Spotlight Partner: Sophie Hayter, Kido

We're joined today by Sophie from Kido Nurseries, one of our Platinum Partners, to share her experience of working with BPN and how partnership has supported their growth.



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Q&A

Now it's your turn — we'd love to hear from you.

Ask any questions through the chatbox about:

- Apprenticeships and progression
- Recruitment and placement
- Partner support and partnership programme benefits

If your question is setting-specific or confidential, you can book a 1-to-1 discussion with us after the webinar.



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Thank you for joining us today!

- Scan here to book a call and discuss your setting's goals and training needs.
- Applications for Autumn apprenticeships close 26 October – secure your team's place!

