



Supporting the transition from early years settings into school, especially for children with SEND

Three new opportunities for colleagues who support early years' children in Derby



Free Training

- Fully funded online training (worth £45 per place) is now available for teachers, support staff, childminders and early years' practitioners in Derby. This limited offer is available until July while stocks last
- Learners can work through the materials at their own pace, planning and undertaking practical activities in their own setting.
- Links to further reading are offered to expand knowledge and understanding.

Early Years SEND Transition 150 funded places available

[Book >](#)

This course provides a deep understanding of what constitutes an effective transition process from the point of view of the child, the point of view of the family, and the point of view of the setting. The training comprises three units of online self-guided study and practical activities, plus recorded webinars to watch alongside each of the units.

Early Years Inclusive Practice 50 funded places available

[Book >](#)

This training provides an overview of supporting children with SEND to improve the knowledge and confidence of practitioners. It comprises of four units of online study and practical activities that cover child-centred learning, communication, sensory differences and managing challenging behaviour, and educational attainment and wider systems'.

Early Years Transition Portal Working group and pilot

This is a new work-stream for colleagues in EY settings and reception classes to identify potential arrangements for information exchange that can ensure a positive transition for all children, as well as identifying children who will need additional support. This activity builds upon the successful introduction of Transition Portals for other age groups, with an invitation for interested colleagues from across settings and schools to join a working group to explore and scope the possibilities.

Based on these discussions, a prototype for an Early Years Transition Portal will be created and a few schools and their main linked EY providers will have an opportunity to pilot this and make recommendations for future development and wider roll-out.

Sharing Effective Practice Early years transition

Alongside the training and portal developments above, a compilation is being made of some examples of great practice that Derby schools and EY settings have introduced to support an effective transition from early years' settings into school. These Good Practice suggestions will be made freely available to all settings and schools. If you would like to contribute to this activity by attending workshops or make personal contact with the organisers.

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