

Early Years Cluster Meeting

Autumn Term 2023



Slough Safeguarding Partnership Updates September 23

Recommended Chapters to re-read

Resolving professional difference of opinion and escalation

Chapters with Updates and Amendments

Recognising abuse and neglect

Allegations against staff or volunteers who work with children

Organised and complex abuse

Information Sharing

Criminal and sexual exploitation of children

Children from abroad, including victims of modern slavery, trafficking and exploitation

Children with disabilities

Faith related harmful practice

Forced Marriage

Self-harm and suicidal behaviours

Agency roles and responsibilities

Guidance for safe recruitment, Selection and retention of staff and volunteers



- [Early years foundation stage \(EYFS\) statutory framework - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/early-years-foundational-stage-eyfs-statutory-framework)

Updated 4th September 2023 - to reflect the 3 changes

- 1. the current statutory minimum staff:child ratios in England for 2-year-olds changes from 1:4 to 1:5*
- 2. childminders can care for more than the specified maximum of three young children if they are caring for siblings of children they already care for, or if the childminder is caring for their own child;*
- 3. clarifying that 'adequate supervision' while children are eating means that children must be within sight and hearing of an adult.*

Please download this newest version

- [Keeping children safe in education - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/keeping-children-safe-in-education) *updated 1st September 2023*

Ofsted – Early Years You Tube clips

[Part 1 - Early years curriculum: The importance of communication and language – YouTube](#)

[Part 2 - Early years curriculum: A curriculum for communication and language – YouTube](#)

[Part 3 - Early years curriculum: Making progress through knowing and remembering more - YouTube](#)

[Part 4 \(settings\) - Early years curriculum: How we look at communication and language on inspection – YouTube](#)

[Part 4 \(schools\) - Early years curriculum: How we look at communication and language on inspection – YouTube](#)

[Early years in schools | Ofsted webinar for schools - YouTube](#)

EYFS Profile 2023 Data Headlines

		ACHIEVED EXPECTED											
Eligible	GLD ^{1 2}	Avg. No. Exp. ELGs ²	COM	PSE	PHY	Prime Goals	LIT	MAT	UTW	EXP	Specific Goals	All Goals	
National	612,610	67.2%	14.1	79.7%	83.2%	85.2%	75.0%	69.8%	77.2%	80.3%	85.0%	67.0%	65.7%
Slough	2,299	67.2%	14.0	79.1%	82.6%	86.6%	75.6%	69.9%	76.6%	78.5%	83.4%	66.9%	65.5%

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Boys National	313,430	60.6%	13.4	74.3%	77.4%	78.8%	67.7%	63.5%	74.2%	75.9%	78.7%	60.4%	58.6%
Boys Slough	1,142	60.2%	13.1	73.5%	75.7%	79.1%	68.0%	63.1%	72.3%	72.9%	76.6%	60.2%	58.5%

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Eligible	GLD ^{1 2}	Avg. No. Exp. ELGs ²	COM	PSE	PHY	Prime Goals	LIT	MAT	UTW	EXP	Specific Goals	All Goals	
Girls National	299,040	74.2%	14.9	85.4%	89.4%	91.9%	82.6%	76.3%	80.3%	84.9%	91.6%	74.0%	73.1%
Girls Slough	1,157	74.2%	14.9	84.6%	89.5%	94.1%	83.0%	76.6%	80.8%	84.0%	90.1%	73.6%	72.4%

EYFSP 2022
 Slough
 GLD – 65.1%
 Boys – 56.8%
 Girls – 73.5%

•EYFSP Handbook 2024– all reception teachers, EYFS leads, assessment leads

•[Early years foundation stage profile handbook - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)

Local Updates

Vaccinations – please share and encourage all families to complete the short questionnaire – before 27th October

<https://forms.office.com/e/3v6p5z35Ej>

or



Did you know...
measles is on the rise in Slough?

In Berkshire, Slough has the lowest number of children vaccinated with the MMR and other key vaccines.

The MMR vaccine is given to children to protect them against this highly contagious disease.
1 in 10 children under 5 are not up to date with this vaccine.



What can you do...
Please help us by completing the short online questionnaire about vaccines via the QR code.
Thank you for taking part!

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Dingley's Promise EY Inclusion Project

Updates & developments

First 5 Courses currently available: (5 more to come!!!)

Free to all Slough EY practitioners that sign up using the link below

- Introduction to Inclusive Practice
- Early Years SEND Transition
- Behaviours that Challenge
- Having Difficult Conversations with Families
- The Voice of the Child

Dingley's Promise Mark of Achievement *(replacing the Kite Mark)*

As a congratulation - successful settings will get:

- *Certificate*
- *Window sticker to display at your setting*
- *Notepads & pens*



DINGLEY'S PROMISE
MARK OF ACHIEVEMENT



Settings can now achieve their very own **Mark of Achievement** to reflect their passion and commitment to inclusive practice in the early years. Our training has been specifically designed to provide practical skills and knowledge to help practitioners support the growing numbers of children with SEND. With the Mark of Achievement, your setting is recognised for embracing the training within your teams and as such the dedication to transforming the lives of children with SEND through inclusive practice.



"The training is great and packed with knowledge and straight forward practical skills to use immediately."

Dingley's Promise Training learner

Sign up to our Mark of Achievement and see first hand the impact a setting wide commitment to inclusive practice can have on you and the children in your care.

For more info visit
dingley.org.uk/dingleys-promise-training

To qualify for the Dingley's Promise Training Mark of Achievement you must meet the following criteria:

- Settings with 4 practitioners or more: 75% will have undertaken the inclusive practice course along with 2 additional courses of their choice
- Settings with less than 4 practitioners (eg childminders): The lead practitioner will have completed the inclusive practice course and 2 additional courses of their choice

When your setting has achieved the above, please notify our training team via email on training@dingley.org.uk

Once the course completions are verified you will receive a certificate, a window sticker to display in your setting and Dingley's Promise notepads and pens to celebrate your achievement

Dingley's Promise is the working name of Dingley Family and Specialist Early Years Centres, a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity. Company Registered in England and Wales No. 07279320. Registered Charity No. 1137609. Registered Office Kennet Walk Community Centre, Kennet Walk off Kenavon Drive, Reading, Berkshire, RG1 3GD

[Early Years Inclusion Programme - Dingley's Promise](https://dingley.org.uk/dingleys-promise-training/early-years-inclusion-programme/)

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Useful resources & organisations

[Planning Ahead: Building on Children's Starting Points in the EYFS | Early Excellence](#)



[Help for early years providers - Department for Education](#)

Free online training:

- *Areas of Learning, Get help to improve your practice, Safeguarding & welfare*



[Practice - Foundation Years](#)



[Home | Muddy Faces](#)

Specialist site/shop for Outdoor play, learning & Forest School

- *Check out the activities section*



Training & CPD

All sessions online

- I Talk Network - 2nd November – either 1 - 2:30pm or 6:30 – 8:00pm
- Five to Thrive; Attachment & trauma informed practice & resilience - delivered over 3 sessions
7th, 21st and 28th November 3:30 – 5:00pm
- LADO - 9th November 1:00 – 3:00pm
- PVI SEND Network – 15th November 6:30-8:30pm
- Promoting Good Oral Health in Children – 20th November 6:30 – 8:00pm
- First Aid Training: 12 hours Paediatric - various blended & face to face options

- AET Making Sense of Autism – send booking request form to AETbooking@slough.gov.uk

Reminder to sign up to The Link to access information updates and book training

- [Homepage | The Link \(slough.gov.uk\)](#)
- [Early Years | The Link \(slough.gov.uk\)](#)
- [Events & Training | The Link \(slough.gov.uk\)](#)

- NPQ EYL [National Professional Qualification for Early Years | Best Practice Network](#)
- L3 SENDCO - [Early Years SENCO - Level 3 | Best Practice Network](#)

AOB & questions

Dates for the diary:

Spring EY Cluster Meeting Monday 5th February 2024: Online or face to face?

Contacting the EY team

- General enquiries, training – requests, bookings, issues earlyyears@slough.gov.uk
- EY SEND, EYIG, EYIF applications – eyinclusion@slough.gov.uk

Please sign up to thelink@slough.gov.uk for weekly updates, bookings, shared resources