

Early years provider update email

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Training Edition

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Training courses

Welcome to the latest training information for Leicestershire childcare providers. All training courses can be booked on the [Leicestershire Traded Service \(LTS\) website](#). Just click the '**Provider**' drop down link and choose Early Learning and Childcare Service to see the full list in date order.

Full details including how to search for individual courses and a link to access the site and book your places are in [these guidelines](#).

Below are some of the training courses that have special offers or low prices as well as details of courses coming up soon.

With the possible upcoming changes to committee members at the end of the summer term we have included an overview of the Essential Safeguarding Awareness course that potential new members may be interested to attend.

Listen and Learn – Eblast offer: Free places until this Thursday (19 April 2018) BOOK NOW

Various dates and venues, Search 'Listen' on the LTS website.

Playing and having fun in an adult supported and structured session can be a good way for children to experience and practice skills essential for social interaction and language development.

This practical workshop will direct you to the available resources and give you the opportunity to practice these activities and strategies with the support of a speech and language therapist.

Phase 1 Letters and Sounds: Only £5 Childminders / £10 Providers BOOK NOW

Various dates and venues, Search 'letters' on the LTS website.

This short, interactive and inspiring course is a must for all practitioners with helping young children to become familiar with linking sounds and letters in fun and adult led activities. It will develop your confidence levels and understanding in relation to "Letters and Sounds"

The course will also explore possibilities for practitioners to provide enriched language opportunities across all the areas of learning and in the continuous provision and make the links in learning from the Letters and Sounds programme.

Essential Safeguarding Awareness. BOOK NOW

Various dates and venues, From the link above, click the '**Provider**' drop down link and choose Early Learning and Childcare Service and then search 'safeguarding' on the LTS website.

This training supports Leicestershire's LSCB competency group 2 and is designed to develop awareness of, and the ability to act on, concerns about the safety and welfare of children and young people.

Courses available to book for the next few weeks

21/05/2018 09:30 – 15.30	Signs and Symbols	6093	Specialist Speech and Language Therapist	George Ward Community Centre, Barwell
23/05/2018 09:30 – 16.00	Observation Assessment and Planning	6007	Inspired Training & Children's Services Solutions	Gorse Covert Community Centre, Loughborough
05/06/2018 09:30 – 15.30	English as Additional Language	6088	Specialist Speech and Language Therapist	Gorse Covert Community Centre, Loughborough
06/06/2018 09:30	Jumping over the Paint Pots	6008	Inspired Training & Children's Services Solutions	The Fieldhead Hotel, Markfield

Partner Training

The Leicester-shire and Rutland Sport - Early Years Physical Activity, Health and Wellbeing Conference & Early Years Physical Activity Awards

Saturday 19 May 2018

9:00am - 1:00pm

King Power Stadium, Leicester

This **FREE** Conference is an opportunity for Early Years practitioners from across Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland to come together to learn from experienced professionals around the importance of keeping children active and improving their health and wellbeing.

The day will also include inspiring keynotes, examples of effective practice that can be taken away and implemented, and opportunities to network. A free lunch will be provided on the day.

Keynote Speakers, Workshops and Marketplace

- Ben Kingston-Hughes, Inspired Children - Parental Engagement
- Laura Sanders, Little Stars Pre-School, Intergenerational Programme

Delegates will be able to attend 2 workshops on topics such as Nutrition, Purposeful Physical Play and In the Moment Planning. There will also be a Marketplace to showcase local services and programmes.

Full details and how to book are on the [Leicester-shire and Rutland Sport website](#)

Disability Confident Awareness Event

Please see the [this leaflet](#) for details about this FREE event to be held at Leicester Tigers RFC Stadium, Welford Rd, Leicester on 26 April.

Risky Play Course

Date: Thursday 24 May 2018

Venue: Hinckley Leisure Centre, Argents Mead, Hinckley, Leicestershire, LE10 1BZ

Risky Play is designed to share knowledge, evidence and research which supports the value of unstructured and risky play... [**Read More and Book**](#)>

Story Telling through Dance

Date: Monday 4 June 2018

Venue: Brocks Hill Country Park, Washbrook Lane, Oadby, Leicestershire, LE2 5JJ

One day course for Early Years Practitioners [**Read More and Book**](#)

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