

Early Years Foundation Stage 2021



Employers in the childcare sector will know the Department for Education (DfE) have added a number of reforms to the existing EYFS.

We have now built these into our curriculum and they will be included in teaching from 1st September.

The government says the changes will improve outcomes for all children, but particularly the language and literacy outcomes for disadvantaged children and reduce teacher workload.

Portfolio Data

Exported portfolios are a convenient way of storing a copy of a portfolio once training has ended.



We contact apprentices to offer to perform this service for them - they can then either download the data or receive it on a CD or DVD in the post.

This then allows them to view content as they did on Ecordia, using a browser.

New Apprentice Payment Deadline

You can apply for new apprentices who joined your organisation from 1 April 2021 to 30 September 2021

There are a number of steps for any apprenticeship. These include:

- Information, Advice & Guidance
- Setting up an apprenticeship service account
- Maths and English Assessments & Skills scan (RPL) completed
- Employer and apprentice paperwork signed
- Registration on government system

Below is a link to a full guide for employers which is available on our website

We must emphasise the apprenticeship process always takes time so please bear this in mind.

If you need any assistance please call, but this guide should help you understand what is currently required

<https://bit.ly/3dVln2f>

Thank you

Food and Hygiene Accredited Short Course

“Food Safety in Health and Social Care and Early Years and Childcare Settings”

We have a new short course which is designed to support those that provide a service involving preparation of food. The qualification will develop the knowledge and skills and covers safety requirements, nutrition and hydration, and supporting individuals to eat and drink.

This is a Level 2 award and is achievable in less than 6 months.

Ideal for an employee's development plan. The price is £60 per person.

Covid-19

Following our tutors being allowed back into employer premises for visits, we at Quest have been busy ensuring they can complete their work commitments to the apprentices and employers in a safe way.

- Lateral Flow Test before each visit
- Risk Assessment completed before each visit
- Communication from H&S Officer to the employer before each visit
- Full range of PPE for all our staff to wear
- 2 metre distance



We must follow guidance from the government's education department so this is subject to change.

Health & Safety Assessments:

Due to Covid, we have now turned our H&S Assessment form into an electronic one to be completed on a PC or tablet.

We hope employers find this way of completing the assessment more convenient. Once signed off, all employers receive an electronic copy of the assessment automatically.

If you have any questions about Health & Safety or our Covid practices, please feel free to contact our H&S Officer at: tyron@questfortraining.com



We will have a new office phone system in place this summer - it should make it easier for you to contact us and get straight to the right department.

Vacancy

Quest are seeking to employ another part-time Assessor Coach Apprentice

If your friends or family have always wanted to get into teaching, now's a great opportunity.

Please email info@questfortraining.com or look out for updates on our Facebook page

Early Years Lead Practitioner (Level 5) Apprenticeship Update

We are a little more hopeful that it won't be it much longer for the EYLP.

The proposal has been approved and the standard has been approved, it's just the assessment plan to go.

It's always a surprise announcement for these new apprenticeships, it could happen at any time, maybe even this autumn. We hope so.

The duration of this Level 5 is likely to be 24 months plus end point assessment.

If you wish to register interest in this, please let us know.



Look out for...

We will be announcing some private courses this autumn

They will cover both Level 2 and Level 3 diplomas

These can be claimed for through Skills for Care.

These may be of particular interest to employers who wants a more direct learning path for their employees.