



Early Years Practitioner

Level: 2

Typical Duration: 12 months

Possible Job Role: Nursery Assistant, Early Years Practitioner, Nursery Practitioner

Course Overview

Early Years Apprentices have the opportunity to shape the development of young children, by preparing and maintaining environments that support children's varying needs. This apprenticeship provides skills such as the ability to keep children safe, communication, planning, health and safety for children, the ability to monitor children's behaviour, and underpinning knowledge of play and development theories.

They will be responsible for supporting child-initiated and adult-led activities based around the needs and interests of each individual child, supporting children's learning through planned, purposeful play opportunities and educational programmes and working as part of a team to ensure each child feels safe and secure. An EYP will also support the observation and assessment of each child and contribute to their learning experiences and assist with the care needs of the individual child such as teeth, skin, hair, feeding, changing nappies and toileting under the direction of a more senior member of the team. They will also work in partnerships with other colleagues, parents and/or carers or other professionals, with support from a more senior member of the team, to meet the individual needs of each child. They will also have a responsibility for ensuring that they recognise when a child is in danger and/or at risk of serious harm or abuse and contributing to the health and safety of the children, staff and others on the premises.

Qualification Achieved

On completion of this apprenticeship, you will hold a Level 2 Early Years Educator Apprenticeship. Additional qualifications achieved include:

- L2 Diploma in Early Years Educator
- Level 1 or 2 Functional Skills Mathematics
- Level 1 or 2 Functional Skills English

Progression

The role may act as a gateway to further career and training opportunities, including, but not limited to:

- Level 3 Early Years Educator Apprenticeship
- Nursery Nurse
- Early Years Teaching Assistant

Learning & Assessment

Apprentices will be assigned a dedicated tutor. The tutor will visit monthly in the workplace, as well as being on hand to support throughout the duration of the apprenticeship programme. The frequency of these sessions maybe more, depending on the needs of the apprentice.

End Point Assessment

Each Apprentice must undergo an independent end-point assessment to determine the outcome of their apprenticeship. The assessments will assess the knowledge, skills and behaviours gained during their programme. The methods in which this apprenticeship are assessed are:

- Professional Discussion
- Knowledge Test

Entry Requirements

Individual employers will set their own criteria for this apprenticeship.

Hire an Apprentice

We can work with you to source a suitable applicant for your organisation, or you can up-skill your existing employees.

If the employee is under 19 and your business has fewer than 50 employees, there will be no cost for the training. If they are over 19 and/or your business has over 50 employees then you will contribute 5% towards the cost of the training. For any businesses paying into the levy, all training costs will be covered.

Recruitment

With our Talent Match recruitment service, Talent Bank, we will advertise your vacancy, screen applicants and pre-interview potential prospects in order to ensure you only interview the most appropriate candidates for your vacancy – all free of charge.

E-Portfolio

We offer a dedicated virtual learning platform which allows learners to keep on track of their course. In addition to this, it allows our tutors and employers to keep up-to-date with the progression of learners.

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