

APPRENTICESHIP – Level 2

EARLY YEARS PRACTITIONER

This 15 - month apprenticeship is about working with children and babies on a day to day basis, as part of a team, and under the guidance and supervision of an Early Years Educator or teacher. You will support the planning and delivery of activities, play opportunities and educational programmes.

The Role of an Early Years Practitioner

You will interact with parents, children, colleagues and other professionals. You will support the observation and assessment of children and assist with their care such as teeth, skin, hair, feeding, changing nappies and toileting under the direction of a more senior member of staff.

You will have a responsibility to ensure you recognise when a child is in danger or at risk of serious harm or abuse.

Why become an Early Years Practitioner?

It's an incredibly rewarding job

You will make a lasting and positive impact on a child's well-being and development

You will never be bored – there is always so much to learn

You will be part of a team

Great opportunities for career development

Entry Requirements

You will need to attend our centre for an informal interview and to take some assessments in maths and English

Ideally you will have:

GCSE Grades 9 – 3 or A* - D in both maths and English

A real passion to work with children from birth to age 5 and support their development.



Employment

As an apprentice you will earn a **minimum** of £4.30 an hour and work at least 30 hours a week.

We will help you to find an apprenticeship by sending your CV/profile to local employers.

Why do so many people use RWP?

Because our priority is **YOU** and to get you through your qualification.

We have fantastic staff who are qualified, skilled and experienced child care educators themselves, and therefore able to give the best support to our apprentices.

Our lessons are interesting, interactive and we have some great resources.

We have been training childcare practitioners for over 10 years and have excellent relationships with nurseries and schools

EARLY YEARS PRACTITIONER – STANDARDS

KNOWLEDGE

How children learn; Child development; Attachment; Safeguarding and child protection; Health and safety; Reporting medical/non-medical incidents and emergencies; Safe storage and disposal of medicines; Childhood illnesses; Dietary guidance; EYFS framework; Special educational needs and disabilities; Impact of behaviour on babies and children; Reflective practice and continued professional development; Voice of the child

SKILLS

Support babies and children through transition; Recognise abuse; Infection control; Promote health and wellbeing; Care routines; Activities to support communication, play, creativity, social development, reading, writing and mathematics; Work alongside parents/carers; Continuous professional development

BEHAVIOURS

Care and compassion; Honesty, trust and integrity; Positive work ethic; Being team-focused; Commitment to improve outcomes for children; Work in a non-discriminatory way; Professional practice

Maths and English

Functional Skills Level 2

Early Years Practitioner Qualification

What others say about RWP

I was worried about maths and English because I didn't like it at school but the tutor was really nice.

I really enjoyed the workshops and meeting other apprentices doing the same course.

Everyone is really friendly and helpful..



On-Programme Assessment

You will attend workshops every two weeks to gain the underpinning knowledge required for your apprenticeship. You will be assessed throughout your course to ensure you are developing the required knowledge, skills and behaviours and we will help you develop a portfolio of evidence. When you, your employer and assessor think you are ready you will be entered for your final assessments.

End Point Assessment

Your End Point Assessment will take place after 12 months once you have completed your portfolio of evidence and achieved your Early Years Practitioner Qualification, and, Maths and English at Level 2.

You will need to pass 2 assessments:

Professional Discussion - 90 minutes to discuss your portfolio of evidence

Knowledge Test – 40 multiple choice questions

You will be awarded a Distinction, Pass or Fail



Progression

The Early Years Practitioner apprenticeship is a good stepping-stone to:
Early Years Educator Apprenticeship
Teaching Assistant Apprenticeship