



Rachael Underwood – Early Years Training

Training for Early Years Providers Summer Term 2017

Quality training for staff is an essential for quality provision for children. With the recent cuts to Surrey Early Years the services I offer may be of interest.

I am a trained Early Years trainer, with over 30 years of experience working with young children in a wide variety of settings. I have delivered training workshops on behalf of a number of organisations and education authorities.

I am offering reasonably priced training workshops on topics that have been requested by early years practitioners. Each workshop is two hours long, is 'to the point' and provides strategies that can be put into practice easily. Attendance certificates are given.

The workshops will be held in **Bookham Baptist Church and Children's Centre Lounge, Lower Road, Bookham. KT23 4DH**

The cost of each workshop is £18. Refreshments are included.

For further information, please contact me on 01372 810701 or rachaelunderwood@ntlworld.com

I look forward to welcoming you to one or more of the workshops listed below.

I also deliver training **workshops to whole staff teams** either at your setting or at a convenient venue. Courses run for staff teams usually have a greater impact on practice as all staff members receive the same information and whole staff workshops are often more cost effective. In addition, for a small fee, I am able to visit your setting for a training consultation visit which enables me to tailor training to the specific needs of your setting.

Workshop Topics

'Let me do it!'

Active Learning Explained

Wednesday 19th April 7-9pm

Would you like to feel more confident in delivering active learning experiences for the children in your care? What is really meant by active learning?

How can adults help children to develop the characteristics of effective learners

In this workshop we will look at the five ingredients of active learning. We will consider some ways that adults can support children to engage as active learners and providing them with opportunities to develop the characteristics of effective learning.



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‘Talk Talk!’

Interacting with Young Children

Friday 21st April 1 – 3pm

Would you like to be able to respond effectively to any piece of children’s artwork?
Would you like to know how to enter children’s play in a supportive way?

In this workshop we will consider **a number of well-researched strategies** that enable practitioners to interact with young children in a way that both supports children’s learning and builds self-esteem

‘Have they had a good day?’

Friday 16th June 1 – 3pm

Building Positive Relationships with Parents

‘Talking to the parents of children I work with doesn’t come easily to me.’

‘How can I respond when a parent asks ‘Have they had a good day?’’

The EYFS requires practitioners to work in partnership with parents and carers. In this workshop we will consider the role of the key worker in building relationships with the parents and carers of children they work with and why it is important they take time to do this. We will also look at how key workers can respond to the ‘Have they been good’ question.

‘Mine!’ ‘No, Mine!’ Behaviour Management

British Values in Practice – Conflict Resolution with Young Children

Friday 28th April 1 – 3pm

Would you like to feel more confident dealing with young children’s conflicts?

As adults working with young children we can be presented with some challenging conflict situations. In this workshop we will look at **six problem-solving steps** which promote British values and turn challenging conflict moments into rich learning opportunities for children and adults alike.

A Space to Play and Learn

Wednesday 17th May 9.30 – 11.30am

Setting up the Indoor Learning Environment

‘How can we organise our setting so children can be active learners?’

The environment has been described as the ‘child’s second teacher’. How adults set up a learning environment has a big impact on how children learn. In this workshop we will look at how to arrange the indoor learning environment to support children’s ‘active learning’. We will consider the kinds of areas to offer and we will look briefly at the types of materials to offer children and how to store and label these.

‘It’s Tidy Up Time’

Tuesday 25th April 7 – 9pm

Is tidy up time your least favourite part of the day?

Do you find yourself sneaking off to tidy those parts of the room that really have got in a state?

In this workshop we will look at strategies we can use to make tidy up time a fun and interesting time for both children and adults alike while ensuring some valuable learning happens along the way.



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Space, Shape and Number Maths with Young Children

Friday 23rd June 1 – 3pm

‘I don’t feel very confident doing Maths’

In this workshop we will consider how Maths is all around us if we know what to look for. We will look at how we can introduce mathematical concepts quite naturally to young children and how, over time, we can help them to feel confident and capable with Maths.

Paint, Glue, Boxes and **Young Children and Art**

Tuesday 27th June 7- 9pm

‘I wish I had more ideas for art activities’

In this workshop we will consider how to ‘do art’ with young children. We will look at why it is important to give children time and space to explore art materials, how we can interact with children as they work and how to set up an interesting art area.

What to Do When You Feel like Screaming! How to handle those ‘tricky moments!’

Wednesday 3rd May 9.30 – 11.30am

‘Its time to come in and he’s hiding in the hedge!’

Sometimes young children don’t do what we want them to do. These moments can be extremely frustrating for adults and it’s easy for situations to escalate. In this workshop we look at strategies that can be used so that children and adults feel in control and everyone’s self esteem is left in tact.

Magic Moments Writing Observational Notes

Friday 5th May 1- 3 pm

‘I never know what I should include when I am writing an observation’

The Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage requires practitioners to write observations of young children. In this workshop we will look at how to write clear and concise observations that can be shared with parents, colleagues and other professionals alike.

Rachael runs training workshops on a number of other topics relevant to early years practitioners. Please do let her know if there are topics you would like to be covered or if you would prefer to attend workshops at a different time or day of the week. Rachael is also able to come to your setting and lead workshops for staff teams. Phone 01372 810701 for further details

Bookings can be made online via www.rachaelunderwood.com

By emailing rachaelunderwood@ntlworld.com or send the booking form to : Training Workshops 7 West Down Bookham Surrey KT23 4LJ



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Booking Form

Name of setting _____

Name of contact _____

Phone number of setting _____

Email address for setting _____

Workshop Title	Date	Cost	Name of attendees	Total to pay
It's Tidy Up Time!	Tuesday 25 th April 7 – 9pm			
Talk Talk Adult/Child Interaction	Friday 21 st April 1-3pm	£18		
'Mine' 'No! Mine!' A Problem Solving Approach to Conflicts	Friday 28 th April 1-3pm	£18		
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Did They Have A Good Day? Building Relationships with Parents	Friday 16 th June 1 –3pm	£18		

Please make cheques payable to R. Underwood or you can pay by BACS please email rachaelunderwood@ntlworld.com for details. Payment is returnable in the case of the course being cancelled. If you are unable to attend on the day another person may take your place.