

Leading Learning in the Early Years

Improving quality in the Foundation Stage

A second opportunity to apply to this successful course

This is a new and exciting programme for Norfolk managers of integrated and pre-school settings, headteachers and deputies of schools with a Foundation Stage. The programme will be particularly helpful in supporting managers, headteachers and deputies who may have limited experience in leading and managing the Foundation Stage.

The programme is designed to broaden the perspectives of managers, headteachers and deputies in the leadership and management of the Foundation Stage by:

- visiting integrated Foundation Stage settings in other LAs;
- engaging with colleagues across the County in debate about common issues, including the development of extended schools and the provision of integrated services;
- listening and debating issues with visiting speakers;
- evaluating the quality of the Foundation Stage in their own setting or school and engaging in problem solving activities to raise expectations further.

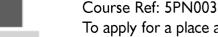
Aims

This programme will enable course participants to:

- Consider views of leadership which take integration of services and learning as the focal point for their setting or school improvement;
- Visit a range of integrated Foundation Stage settings in other LAs and reflect on improvement issues with colleagues in those settings;
- Attend a residential conference to share experiences with colleagues, evaluate the strengths and areas for improvement in their own Foundation Stage, and establish an improvement project in their own setting or school.

The programme will take place during the summer term and autumn term 2005, and spring term 2006.

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To apply for a place at this activity please complete a booking form and return it to: Iulia Idiens.

Children's Services, Norfolk Education Advisory Services,

Professional Development Centre, Woodside Road, Norwich NR7 9QL

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Outline of the Programme

14th April 2005 2 – 4 pm Introduction and preparation for the

Norwich Professional Development Centre programme

May and June 2005 Visits to integrated Foundation Stage settings in

other LAs

23rd and 24th June 2005 Residential Conference to share experiences,

The Links Country Park Hotel, West Runton listen to key-note speakers and plan for the

future

Autumn term 2005 onwards Improvement project within my own

Foundation Stage, supported by colleagues

24th February 2006 Share progress to date

Norwich Professional Development Centre

Funding for supply cover will be provided for colleagues in small schools who have a heavy teaching commitment and for managers in exceptional circumstances.

The Residential Conference will be funded centrally, through EDP funding.

Course participants will be expected to fund their own travel arrangements to other LAs, although costs can be shared between colleagues

Programme leaders:

Anne Dobson, Education Officer, Early Years

Ray Leeke, Principal Adviser

Constance Tyce, Primary Adviser, Early Years

Further details of the programme will be supplied upon application. Please find attached the booking form to be returned by Friday 18th March 2005.

We will be limiting the group to around 25 managers, headteachers and deputies. Priority will be given to applicants:

- Who are developing integrated provision
- Who may have limited experience in leading and managing the Foundation Stage
- As collaborative working is a key part of the programme, we will also need course participants, who have successful experience in leading and managing the Foundation Stage or integrated provision
- So that full use of cluster arrangements can be made to share good practice, we will be seeking to ensure that there is a broad balance of course participants across all areas of Norfolk.

Norfolk County Council at your service

IN-SERVICE TRAINING BLOCK BOOKING FORM

School/Organisation:

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LSA - Leaming Support Assistant/ Classroom Assistant/ Teaching Assistant.etc.

*SMT Senior Management Team

* High schools only - please indicate whether — applicant is either a Head of Dept. (HoD), Deputy Head Teacher (DHT) or Serior Teacher (ST).

School INSET Code:

Date:

Tel (inc STD code);

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Name:

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