

# EARLY YEARS TRAINING 2022-2023

Together in collaboration, we want to strengthen and support Early Years Education across the city and wider area, by providing the environment where practitioners can share and reflect together.

**'A Day in the life...'** An opportunity for a staff member to come and work alongside one of our senior members of staff. This includes a tour of the Nursery, time to observe the children in the environment, a buffet lunch, followed by a pedagogical discussion with time for exploring questions and reflections with our senior staff, and an opportunity to look at our planning books and documentation: **£100 per person.**



## Inspiring Foundations

**Houghton Community Nursery School**  
Nesham Place, Houghton le Spring, DH5 8AE

**Mill Hill Nursery School**  
29 Torphin Hill Drive, Sunderland, SR3 2PJ

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## Inspiring Foundations



## Training Opportunities







## EYFS Leads – The advocate for a child centered pedagogy.

A place for EYFS leads to come together and look at Early Years more deeply. We want to provide an opportunity to look at research, share outstanding practice, construct new ideas. We want to build a community for growth.

Half termly meetings are £30 per person, per session or £120 to attend all.

**5th October 22:** Pedagogy, Core Values and the Image of 'the child'

**23rd November 22:** Early Years Curriculum

**1st February 23:** Parents as Partners

**22nd March 23:** Empowering your EYFS team - Follow my lead

**17th May 23:** Transitions – What IF the child was at the heart of the process?

**28th June 23:** An opportunity to reflect over the past year together

**Venue:** Houghton Community Nursery School  
**Time:** 4.00-5.00pm.

## EYFS Practitioners – Sharing our Stories

Covid and all the changes within the new EYFS allow us all an opportunity to reflect, to question, and to have professional conversations. For over two years now we have had to do this within our school bubble or team, but not always with the wider Early Years community. We can now begin to move forward and start making connections once again. There is real value in listening to one another's stories and journeys, of coming together to share, make meaning and learn more about high quality early years learning. Half termly meetings are £30 per person session or £120 to attend all.

**11th October 22:** Focus on environment – Creating the magic... looking beyond the fairy lights

**29th November 22:** Focus on the planning cycle and assessment – how to reduce paperwork

**7th February 23:** Focus on Literacy

**28th March 23:** Focus on Maths

**23rd May 23:** Focus on Documentation – What IF as a child your wonders, discoveries and questions were recognised, valued and shared for all to see?

**20th June 23:** Focus on Project Work – What IF we all learn together?

**Venue:** Mill Hill Nursery School  
**Time:** 4.00-5.00pm.



*The list of topics that could be covered during these sessions is endless, through tailored discussions we could also focus on...*

- **The enquiring child**
- **Putting theory into practice** – What IF we could implement the why and how?
- **Focus on a language rich and vocab rich environment** – The adult's role within conversations
- **Time** – What IF children are given the gift of TIME?
- **Resources** – What IF children have daily access to intelligent materials?
- **What IF we look at the environment through the eyes of a child?**
- **Outdoor Learning** – Focus on Forest school and Beach school
- **Technology** – Where does this fit in now with Early Years?
- **Ofsted**