

Threads of Success training update May 2019



Please find below an update of courses taking place over the next two months that still have available places. To read more, or book your place please click on the links below.

Loose Parts

Loose parts are not toys; loose parts are so much more. Underpinned by important theory, you will explore how loose parts support the characteristics of effective learning. You will have the opportunity to gain practical experience of loose parts and consider how you can introduce this valuable play into your provision.

- **Date:** Thursday 6 June 2019
- **Time:** 09:30 - 12:30
- **Venue:** Oakwood House Hotel, Oakwood Park, Maidstone, Kent, ME16 8AE
- **Individual price:** within Kent: £40 +VAT; outside Kent: £60 +VAT
- **Group price:** within Kent: £310 +VAT; outside Kent: £485 +VAT

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Early Years Briefing and Networking Sessions

The early years Briefing and Networking Sessions are an opportunity for early years and childcare providers in the private, voluntary, independent and maintained sectors to network and to receive important national and local information from the Early Years and Childcare Service and other relevant partners and agencies. Guest speakers from a range of partners will be included over the three sessions across the year in double districts.

Please click below for early years Briefing and Networking sessions:

- [**Date: Tuesday 11 June 2019**](#)
 - **Time:** 16:00 - 18:00
 - **Venue:** Tunbridge Wells Hotel, 8 Tonbridge Road, Pembury, Kent, TN2 4QL
 - **Individual price:** within Kent: KCC funded.
- [**Date: Tuesday 12 June 2019**](#)
 - **Time:** 16:00 - 18:00
 - **Venue:** Dartford Brands Hatch Hotel, Brands Hatch, J3 M25, Dartford, Kent, DA3 8PE
 - **Individual price:** within Kent: KCC funded.
- [**Date: Tuesday 18 June 2019**](#)
 - **Time:** 16:00 - 18:00
 - **Venue:** Holiday Inn Sittingbourne, 70 London Road, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 1NT
 - **Individual price:** within Kent: KCC funded.
- [**Date: Wednesday 19 June 2019**](#)
 - **Time:** 16:00 - 18:00
 - **Venue:** Hythe Imperial Hotel & Spa, Princes Parade, Hythe, Kent, CT21 6AE
 - **Individual price:** within Kent: KCC funded.

Early Years Briefing and Networking Sessions for Childminders and Out of School settings

These Briefing and Networking Sessions have been provided specifically for eligible childminders and out of school settings, but the events will be opened up to other providers if places are available. These sessions are also an opportunity to network as well as to receive important local and national information from the Early Years and Childcare Service and other relevant partners and agencies. **Please click below for Briefing and Networking Sessions for Childminders and Out of School settings:**

- [**Date: Saturday 22 June 2019**](#)
- **Time:** 09:30 - 11:30
- **Venue:** Riverside Vineyard Church, Thanet Way, Whitstable, Kent, CT5 3JQ
- **Individual price:** within Kent: KCC funded.
- [**Date: Thursday 11 July 2019**](#)
- **Time:** 19:30 - 21:30
- **Venue:** Holiday Inn, Ashford North A20, Maidstone Road, Hothfield, Ashford, Kent, TN26 1AP
- **Individual price:** within Kent: KCC funded.

Both the early years Briefing and Networking Sessions and the Briefing and Networking Sessions for Childminders and Out of School settings are suitable only for Kent providers.

Early Identification of Children with SEND

Early identification of a possible delay in a child's progress is an essential part of the role of an early year's practitioner. This workshop will enable you to respond to concerns about a child's progress and implement appropriate early intervention and support for children where progress is less than expected.

- **Date:** Wednesday 12 June 2019
- **Time:** 09:30 - 12:30
- **Venue:** Riverside Vineyard Church, Thanet Way, Whitstable, Kent, CT5 3JQ
- **Individual price:** within Kent: £40; outside Kent: £60 +VAT
- **Group Price:** within Kent: £210; outside Kent: £385 +VAT

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Equality and Diversity in the Early Years

The aim of this course is to identify and understand trustee legal commitments, responsibilities and the need to plan for continuity.

Please bring your Constitution or Governing document.

Two delegates per setting may attend.

- **Date:** Wednesday 12 June 2019
- **Time:** 09:30 - 12:30
- **Venue:** Oakwood House Hotel, Oakwood Park, Maidstone, Kent, ME16 8AE
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Global Action Programme Workshop

Do you think more should be done to protect the world we live in?

Do you know about the new sustainable development framework?

Would you like to know how to integrate sustainable development into everyday practice in your setting?

The United Nations have developed 17 Sustainable Development Goals for all countries to work towards a better future and in response we have developed a programme to introduce the Global Goals in an age appropriate way for the benefit of young children and their families. Would you like to attend a centrally funded (free to Kent settings) workshop with presentations, practical activities and inspiring displays.

2 delegates per setting may attend this event.

Please click below for global action workshops:

- **Date:** [Wednesday 12 June 2019](#)
- **Time:** 10:00 - 12:00
- **Venue:** Aldington Eco Centre, Goldwell Lane, Aldington, Nr Ashford, Kent, TN25 7DX
- **Individual price:** within Kent: KCC funded; outside Kent: £60 +VAT
- **Date:** [Wednesday 12 June 2019](#)
- **Time:** 13:00 - 15:00
- **Venue:** Aldington Eco Centre, Goldwell Lane, Aldington, Nr Ashford, Kent, TN25 7DX
- **Individual price:** within Kent: KCC funded; outside Kent: £60 +VAT
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Briefing Session for Potential Childminders (East)

A briefing session to provide information to those interested in becoming a registered childminder.

Pre-course information:

Please bring equipment to enable you to take notes.

- **Date:** Tuesday 18 June 2019
- **Time:** 10:00 - 12:00
- **Venue:** Thanington Neighbourhood Resource Centre, Thanington Road, Canterbury, Kent, CT1 3XE
- **Individual Price:** Free to potential childminders (not Ofsted registered)

[To book an individual place>>](#)

How to Break Even and Avoid Bad Debt

Is your setting financially viable? Are you covering all your costs? Are you accruing or carrying bad debts?

The purpose of this course is, firstly to understand the break-even process and how you can adjust costs to help your business become self-sustainable and, secondly, to demonstrate the impact on a business of accruing bad debts.

- **Date:** Wednesday 19 June 2019
- **Time:** 13:30 - 16:30
- **Venue:** Oakwood House Hotel, Oakwood Park, Maidstone, Kent, ME16 8AE
- **Individual price:** within Kent: KCC funded; outside Kent: £60 +VAT
- **Group price:** within Kent: KCC funded; outside Kent: £385 +VAT

ADDITIONAL EVENT:

The following event is being held on the same day, if you are interested in attending this also, please book via CPD Online as normal:

EYC 19/153 Marketing and promotion for success (West)

Venue: Oakwood House Hotel

Starts: Wednesday 19 June 2019 09:30 - 12:30

PLEASE NOTE: Lunch WILL NOT be provided if you book both events on the same day.

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Marketing and Promotion for Success (West)

Would you like to raise the profile of your Early Years or Out of School setting? This course is an introduction to marketing and how to promote your childcare provision and is KCC funded to providers within the Kent LA boundaries.

- **Date:** Wednesday 19 June 2019
- **Time:** 09:30 - 12:30
- **Venue:** Oakwood House Hotel, Oakwood Park, Maidstone, Kent, ME16 8AE
- **Individual price:** within Kent: KCC funded; outside Kent: £60 +VAT
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ADDITIONAL EVENT:

The following event is being held on the same day, if you are interested in attending this also, please book via CPD Online as normal:

EYC 19/154 How to break even and avoid bad debt (West)

Venue: Oakwood House Hotel

Starts: Wednesday 19 June 2019 13:30 - 16:30

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Walking in the Shoes of Giants

Do you remember being fascinated by everything and everyone around you, having that innate urge to explore using your senses? You will have an opportunity to explore and discuss the prime areas for learning and how theory and practice can be combined to provide a stimulating and enabling environment for the two year olds in your provision.

- **Date:** Tuesday 25 June 2019
- **Time:** 09:30 - 12:30
- **Venue:** Oakwood House Hotel, Oakwood Park, Maidstone, Kent, ME16 8AE
- **Individual price:** within Kent: £40 +VAT; outside Kent: £60 +VAT
- **Group price:** within Kent: £210; outside Kent: £385 +VAT

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A Successful Charity (East)

The aim of this course is to identify and understand trustee legal commitments, responsibilities and the need to plan for continuity.

Please bring your Constitution or Governing document.
Two delegates per setting may attend.

- **Date:** Wednesday 26 June 2019
- **Time:** 18:30 - 21:30
- **Venue:** The Canterbury Academy (AC), Knight Avenue, Canterbury, Kent, CT2 8QA
- **Individual price:** within Kent: KCC funded; outside Kent: £60 +VAT

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Observation, Assessment and Planning

Look, listen and note. Are your observational skills effective? Do you plan to observe or observe to plan? Through a variety of reflective activities and discussions, you will have an opportunity to explore your observation, assessment and planning cycle, identifying how you can improve outcomes for children.

- **Date:** Thursday 27 June 2019
- **Time:** 09:30 - 16:30
- **Venue:** Holiday Inn - Ashford Central, Canterbury Road, Ashford, Kent, TN24 8QQ
- **Individual price:** within Kent: £80 +VAT; outside Kent: £118 +VAT
- **Group price:** within Kent: £420; outside Kent: £665 +VAT

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High Order Language for the Early Years

Do you use words such as “dishevelled, crenellation and herbivores” with your children? Research by Isabel Beck et al. explores the tiers of language and how we can teach words that the children will need for lifelong learning. You will hear how broad rich language experiences can be deepened by the power of story, rhyme, drama and song to fire children’s interests and imaginations. A range of activities will be shared that will help build a repertoire to be used in your setting.

- **Date:** Wednesday 10 July 2019
- **Time:** 09:30 - 16:30
- **Venue:** Oakwood House Hotel, Oakwood Park, Maidstone, Kent, ME16 8AE
- **Individual price:** within Kent: £80 +VAT; outside Kent: £118 +VAT
- **Group price:** within Kent: £420; outside Kent: £665 +VAT

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The Kent County Council funded offer

The Kent County Council (KCC) funded offer via The Education People is available to providers of early education and/or childcare within KCC's geographical boundaries, registered with Ofsted or the Department for Education and/or with KCC to deliver Free Entitlement places; this includes:

- Private, voluntary and independent group providers
- Out of school childcare providers
- Eligible childminders
- Schools and academies admitting children under four.

*Please note that non-eligible childminders can access some elements of the offer only.