

NST Newsletter: Monday 11th December 2023

This week's newsletter features the following items:

- Vacancies at Rosehill School
- Spring Term SBM Network Meeting
- Priority Literacy December Newsletter and Communities of Practice Launch Event Flyer (**2 attachments**)
- Resources to Support Mental Health in Early Years
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- Briefing Information: Expansion of Early Years Entitlements (**2 attachments**)



Vacancies at Rosehill School

Rosehill are currently recruiting to the following vacancies – please could you share the details with anyone you feel would be interested in applying?

- SEN Teacher (deadline Wednesday 3rd January)
- Level 1 Teaching Assistant (deadline Friday 15th December)
- Level 2 Teaching Assistant (deadline Friday 15th December)
- Level 3 Teaching Assistant (deadline Friday 15th December)

Details about all the vacancies are available on [eteach](https://www.eteach.com) and on the school's website: [Jobs | Rosehill School \(therosehillschool.com\)](https://www.therosehillschool.com)

Spring Term SBM Network Meeting

Our spring term Network meeting for SBMs will be taking place on Wednesday 17th January, 9.00am to 11.30am, at Nottingham Nursery School and Training Centre. SBMs should have already received a calendar invite for this meeting but if you haven't, please let [Emily](#) know and she can forward this to you. Further details about the agenda will follow shortly.



Priority Literacy December Newsletter and Communities of Practice Launch Event Flyer

Please find attached a copy of the latest newsletter from the Priority Literacy Consortium, which focusses on strands within the Universal Offer that are open to **all schools**.

Also attached is a flyer about the forthcoming Communities of Practice online launch event, on Monday 11th December, 3.45pm to 4.30pm. The Communities of Practice (COPs) will provide an opportunity to bring together teachers and leaders across Derby and Nottingham to network, explore evidence-based research and engage with practitioners supporting literacy. Places for the meeting can be booked [here](#).

Resources to Support Mental Health in Early Years

Help for Early Years Providers has added [new information and guidance on supporting babies and young children with their mental health](#).

The guidance:

- explains how practitioners can support positive mental health in early years children
- includes emotional and behavioural support strategies to use in early years settings
- links to further reading and resources



Derbyshire & Nottinghamshire Early Years Stronger Practice Hub Newsletter

Dear colleague

We are pleased to send you our Early Years Stronger Practice Hub newsletter for Autumn 2 [here](#).

Upcoming events for your information

Webinar - Social Communication - [Book here](#)

Lead by Alfreton Nursery School

A creative and diverse approach to social communication supports all children from an individual perspective, using language, gesture and signs.

Date: Wednesday 7th December

Time: 4- 4.30pm

Open to all Early Years practitioners, particularly those in PVI and school settings.

Open day – Alfreton Nursery School [Book here](#)

Learn more about how social communication is nurtured through a creative and personalised approach.

Venue: Alfreton Nursery School,

Date: Saturday 20th January, 9-12

Open to all Early Years practitioners, particularly those in PVI and school settings.

Open day – Sarah Smith childminder services

[Book here: 9am – 10.30am](#)

[Book here: 11 – 12.30pm](#)

Hear more about Sarah's approach to social communication and the impact it has on children's development and learning around PSED.

Venue: Sarah Smith's home setting, Buxton

Date: Saturday 24th February

Open to all Early Years practitioners, particularly childminders.

Listen to Sarah's webinar [here](#).

With kind regards

Derbyshire & Nottinghamshire Early Years Stronger Practice Hub

National Education Nature Park Project – Grants Available!

Megan Shore (Programmes Manager at [Ignite!](#)) has shared details with us about the [National Education Nature Park](#) project, which is a project all about mapping and increasing biodiversity on school grounds. They have a list of schools that are eligible to apply for [grants](#) of up to £10,000 to support the project (attached) and there are 35 Nottingham City schools on it, including a number of NST schools. Schools have been selected in line with 'levelling up' criteria and Natural England's criteria combining the Indices of Multiple Deprivation with access to green space. Schools not on the list are still able to take part in the project. If you would like to get more information please contact Becky and Polly (who are the east Midlands team from the National Education Nature Park project), at eastmidlandsnaturepark@lftl.org.uk.

Briefing Information: Expansion of Early Years Entitlements

Please find attached a presentation and an FAQ document from the Local Authority Early Years team following their briefing sessions on 6th December, on the expansion of the early years entitlements for our youngest children, and the introduction of 15 hours provision for working parents of 2 year olds from April 2024.

This information has also been uploaded onto the ['Expansion of the Early Years Entitlements'](#) page of their website, and this page alongside their ['Provider Information on Early Years Funding for 2, 3 and 4 Year Olds'](#) page, will be kept up to date with the latest information.