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Dear Foundation Key Stage Lead Practitioners and Head Teachers,

Early Years Foundation Stage Launch Event

To celebrate the new EYFS framework we have planned a 'launch' event, to which you should have already received a flier inviting one person from your school to attend. To book on this, please contact **Maria Vale** at the Chapel Fields Centre on **0121 707 9488**.

The EYFS framework will be mandatory for all schools and early years' providers in registered settings from September 2008. An updated pack is now available from DfES Publications. To order one, please call 0845 60 222 60 or download it from either www.teachernet.gov.uk/publications or www.everychildmatters.gov.uk.

Resource Loans for Early Years Practitioners

The next dates for you to return or borrow resources from the classroom at Sans Souci are **Thursday 11th September 2008 between 3pm and 5pm, Wednesday 22nd October between 3pm and 5pm, Wednesday 14th January 2009 between 3pm and 5pm**. These sessions are also for you to be able to talk to a member of the Foundation Stage team and to talk about EYFS moderation.

Foundation Stage Profile : Physical Development Moderation

The autumn term moderation event will focus on the Physical area of the FSP. We expect practitioners to **bring a previously moderated sample of evidence** to the moderation event.

Foundation Stage Profile: Physical Development

Dates	Times	Venue
Monday 17th November 2008	9:00am -12:00pm	Woodlands Campus
Wednesday 19 th November 2008	9:00am -12:00pm	Sans Souci
Wednesday 19 th November 2008	1:00pm –4:00pm	Sans Souci
Tuesday 25 th November 2008	9:00am -12:00pm	Chapel Fields Centre
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Course Outline:

Practitioners will have the opportunity to focus on the physical development area of the curriculum and share 'evidence' with practitioners within the Foundation Stage.

Only **one** of the above sessions has to be attended, as each is a repeat of the first.

This course is **FREE** to practitioners working within Solihull. Funding for staff cover costs is **not** provided.

As a Local Authority we are required to ensure that practitioners are making consistently levelled judgements during their observation and tracking practices. Please can you bring to the session a copy of the new 'Foundation Stage Profile Handbook' and a sample of 'evidence' for the physical area of learning which may be an observation post-it, jotting, photograph with a jotting to accompany the photograph, or a more formal observation in the style used by your setting. We will use this 'evidence' to share judgements with a small group of other practitioners during the sessions.

Target Audience:

This course is aimed at:

- ◆ Foundation Stage Lead Practitioners
- ◆ All practitioners working in Foundation Stage and would also be of interest to:
 - ◆ Head Teachers
 - ◆ Physical Development Subject leaders

There is an expectation that practitioners attending the course will feed back to the Early Years Foundation Stage Team.

Course Objectives:

- ❖ To have a greater understanding of assessment for learning in relation to the Physical area of learning and development.
- ❖ To ensure improved understanding of the physical development scale points within the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile
- ❖ To understand how the assessment processes supports learning

New to Early Years Foundation Key Stage in Solihull Training

This training is free to all those practitioners new to Foundation Stage in Solihull. It is designed to inform practitioners of their responsibilities in relation to the EYFS and EYFSP.

Dates	Times	Venue
Wednesday 17th September 08	9.00am – 3.30pm	Sans Souci

Course Outline:

The course has been planned to help EYFS practitioners new to Foundation Stage, those new to Foundation Stage in Solihull and NQTs.

This course is **FREE** to practitioners working within Solihull. Funding for staff cover costs is **not** provided. Lunch will be provided. Please bring your EYFS and EYFSP documents with you to the training.

Target Audience:

This course is aimed at:

- ◆ New Foundation Stage Practitioners
- ◆ Practitioners new to the Foundation Stage in Solihull
- ◆ Newly Qualified Teachers
- ◆ Year One teachers

Course Objectives:

- To explore the statutory framework and the practice guidance to understand the principles of the Early Years Foundation Stage.
- Practitioners will have a greater understanding of the requirements of the EYFS and the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile.
- To improve awareness of the guidance materials to support effective practice in the Foundation Stage (national and Solihull guidance)

Booking for the Above Courses

Application is by the enclosed booking forms only. Additional copies can be obtained by phoning 0121788 5356. Please send completed form to:

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We look forward to hearing from you

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lisa Morris".

Lisa Morris
Advisory Teacher
Solihull Early Years Advisory Team

BOOKING FORM

Autumn Term 2008

Course: Early Years Foundation Stage Profile: Physical Development

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