



Sector Signposting Information

Welfare standards

For support and advice on meeting the Welfare requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage Statutory Framework

Contact	Stroud & Cotswolds	Sue Williams	01452 426513
Contact	Gloucester & Forest of Dean	Barbara Turner	01452 426490
Contact	Cheltenham & Tewkesbury	Louise Canning	01452 425449

Curriculum

For support and advice on meeting the Learning and Development requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage Statutory Framework .

Contact	Foundation Consultant	01452 427224
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Qualifications

For support and advice on qualifications

Contact	Workforce Development Team	01452 425774
www.cwdcouncil.org.uk	Qualifications Information:	0113 244 6311

Inclusion and special education needs

For support and advice with Inclusion and Equal Opportunities, the Area Senco is available to support with SEN Policies, Behaviour and Anti-Bullying policies, allergies and health issues.

Contact	Area Senco	01452 426457
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Nursery education funding

For support and advice with Nursery Education Funding

Contact	Nursery Education Funding	01452 425445
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Market research

FAMILY ADVICE SERVICE-Children's Information Service (Gloucestershire) - can provide the details of different types of setting's important facts such as opening hours, costs and facilities

www.childrensinformationsservice.org.uk	0800 542 0202
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Childcare Link for national and local childcare information

www.childCarelink.gov.uk	Helpline	0800 2 346 346
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Statistical Information

www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk

MAIDeN, the multi-agency database for neighbourhoods in Gloucestershire. Access to data through the website is limited to people working in the public and community sectors within Gloucestershire. If you don't fall into these groups please contact by phone or email –

www.maiden.gov.uk

email:info@maiden.gov.uk

01452 425511.

Government department

DCSF - Department for Children, Schools and Families. UK government department with responsibility for children's services, families, schools, 14-19 education, and the Respect Taskforce.

www.dcsf.gov.uk

Ofsted

OFSTED EARLY YEARS DIRECTORATE

www.ofsted.gov.uk

Helpline: 08456 404040 or 08456 404045

Applications/registrations

Address: Ofsted National Business Unit
Royal Exchange Buildings,
St. Ann's Square,
Manchester
M2 7LA

Variations of registrations

Address: Regional Office
Ofsted Childrens Directorate
Freshford House
Redcliffe Way
BRISTOL
BS1 6NL

Milk entitlement

The Health Department's Welfare Food Scheme enables children under five to receive, free of charge, 189ml (one third of a pint) of milk for each day if they attend for two hours or more. Settings need to be approved.

Contact Welfare Food Reimbursement Unit 08707 203063 or 08707 201668

Or to place direct orders

Contact

www.coolmilk.com

0800 321 3248

Publications

A variety of organisations produce Publications for Early Years

DCSF - Department for Children, Schools and Families
www.dcsf.gov.uk Publications orderline 0845 60 222 60

Qualifications and Curriculum Authority
www.qca.org.uk/children 0207 509 55566

Charity Commission Publications and Guidance
www.charitycommission.gov.uk 0800 300 0218

Some Ofsted's reports and publications can be downloaded free from their website. A small number of documents and publications are also available in printed format.
www.ofsted.gov.uk 07002 637 833

Safeguarding children

For support with child protection issues and training
Contact www.gscb.gov.uk 01452 58 36 36

For information and support on CRB 's and suitability
Contact Child Development Officers 01452

Training providers

Contact Workforce Development Team 01452 425774

Membership organisations

Organisations which support specific types childcare providers

NATIONAL DAY ASSOCIATION is a national charity which aims to enhance the development and education of children in their early years, through the provision of support services to members. It seeks to develop, encourage and maintain high standards in education and care for the benefit of children, their families and their local communities.

www.ndna.org.uk

PATA a source of support and information for childcare from birth to teens. , PATA membership benefits are available to all members in the voluntary, private and maintained sectors, including toddler groups, playgroups, day nurseries, crèches, early years centres, children's centres, out of school clubs and holiday play schemes.

www.pataglos.org.uk 01452 541244

4Children is the national children's charity – for children and young people, 0-19. 4Children works with Government, local authorities, primary care trusts, children's service providers, and children and parents to ensure joined up support for all children and young people in their local community.

www.4children.org.uk

Extended services

SHAPE Advisers support and work with schools, local communities and multi-agency groups in developing extended services, children's centre services, out of school childcare, the Common Assessment Framework, Budget Holding Lead Professional role.

www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/extendedservices

01452 427762