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Supporting and working with parents to narrow the gap

Regional practical seminars **Leeds** - 24 March 2015, **London** - 26 March 2015





It is crucial for parents to have access to resources to help them support their children to flourish. Evidence is robust in highlighting the importance that parents play in supporting their children's learning and development. As a country we have still not narrowed the gap sufficiently as informed by the EYFS profile and it is vital that as an early years sector, we enable parents to do the best they can for their children.

We know from national research that parental engagement with their children's learning is absolutely key to children's attainment. This engagement needs to start when children are very young and continue throughout the school years. What parents do is more important than who parents are. Parental interest in their child's education has four times more influence on attainment by age 16 than socio-economic background.

It is therefore crucial that the early year's workforce are confident in their knowledge, understanding and skills to enable parents and have knowledge of the resources available.

# The content of the seminars will include:

- Policy update on the role of parents in their child's learning development
- Enabling parents as their child progresses through their early years and into school
- Reaching and supporting the most vulnerable and hard to reach parents
- Home learning and its importance
- Supporting parents of children with SEND

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These seminars are aimed at those working with all children and families who work with parents, provide support to parents to ensure that we continue to narrow the gap.



"Parental involvement in their child's reading has been found to be the most important determinant of language and emergent literacy."

National Literacy Trust 2007

### Who should attend:

- Early year's workforce
- Teachers
- EYFS Co-ordinators
- Provider leaders and managers
- Head / Deputy Headteachers
- Children's Centres leaders and managers
- Local authority officers

### **Programme**

9.30am	Registration and refreshments	1.15	Lunch and networking
10.00	Chair's welcome	2.00	Parenting workshops — choose two from the below three sessions (duration 1 hour each)
10.10	Policy update regarding the role of parents in their child's	of parents in their child's ning and development Robb, National Head Farly Years, 4Children	
	learning and development Sue Robb, National Head of Early Years, 4Children		<b>A.</b> Home Learning — the importance of the home learning environment in
11.10	Refreshment break and networking		supporting communication and Language
11.15	Supporting parents as their child progresses through their early years and into statutory schooling		<b>B.</b> Supporting Parents of Children with SEND
			<b>C.</b> Reaching and working with parents of two year olds
	Jacqui Hardie, Early Years Consultant	3.15	Repeat of above workshops
12.05pm	Reaching and supporting vulnerable and hard to reach parents	4.15	Close
12.55	Questions and discussion		

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