

Lancashire Adult Learning
Course Information Sheet

Award in Supporting a Child's Learning

Introduction

This course is for parents who would like to gain an understanding of how children learn and develop. It is particularly suitable for parents of pre-school and primary school age children, and/or for those parents with an interest in working with children as a volunteer or in paid employment.

During this free course you will have the opportunity to explore a range of topics chosen by you and the learners in your group. It will enable you to develop your confidence through communicating effectively with others and developing positive interaction skills.

Unit Title	Credit Value	Mandatory or Optional Unit
Supporting your Child's Learning	1	Mandatory
Skills for Listening to Your Child	1	Optional
Supporting Your Child with Maths	1	Optional
Supporting Your Child with Reading	1	Optional
Supporting Your Child with Writing	1	Optional
Supporting Your Child's Literacy and Numeracy Development out of School	1	Optional
Understanding How and Why to make a Story Sack	1	Optional
Understanding How to use a Story Sack with Your Child	1	Optional
Know How to Use Craft Activities to Support Your Child's Learning	1	Optional
Know How to use Games to Support Your Child's Literacy Development	1	Optional
Know How to use Games to Support Your Child's Numeracy Development	1	Optional
Know How to use ICT to Support Your Child's Learning	1	Optional
Know How to Use Play to Support Your Child's Learning	1	Optional
Know How to Use Poetry and Rhyme to Support Your Child's Language development	1	Optional

What will I learn?

At the end of the course you will be able to:

1. To have an increased awareness of the range of opportunities both within formal and informal learning to support a child's learning and development
2. To identify the value of learning within a family unit
3. To enable you to identify your own future learning and development needs
4. List 2 ways in which you have developed your confidence on this course
5. Identify further learning opportunities and aspirations

What are the course entry requirements?

In order to attend this course you should be able to follow verbal and written instructions in English at Entry Level 3 and above.

How long is the course?

This course usually runs for 12 weeks for 2.5 - 3 hours each week. A minimum of 3 credits are needed to complete the course and to achieve the award. It is important that you attend regularly to be able to achieve the qualification successfully. The first session is 'Welcome Week' during which you will have the opportunity to find out about the course and discuss what you hope to learn.

How will I be learning?

This is a practical and hands on course where you will be involved in various activities which will enable you to develop new skills. Through a range of group, individual and paired activities linked to the course criteria to enable you to meet the requirements. The course will have a range of assessment activities to demonstrate your understanding of the topic. The course is assessed through portfolio which is internally marked by Lancashire Adult Learning, and then externally marked by an NOCN assessor.

How will I know if I am making progress?

During the course, you will have the opportunity to discuss your progress with the teacher and feedback will be provided. You will also be encouraged to provide course feedback to your teacher, and take part in end of course evaluation.

What course work will I be expected to complete?

You will be required to complete sufficient work to achieve the minimum course criteria as identified through the course specification handbook. Your teacher will support you to do this with the majority of work being produced in class to enable ongoing support to be given.

Additional Information

For this course to run we need a minimum of 8 learners.

Most of the resources will be provided by the teacher, however you will need a pen and an A4 ring binder (not lever

arch).

The Additional Learning Support Team work across college supporting learners with a variety of learning needs in different ways. Support can be requested at enrolment or at any point throughout your course. For more information telephone 0300 123 6711 or email als@lal.ac.uk

What can I do next?

- Other Wider Family Learning courses
- Family English, Maths and Language courses (FEML)
- Functional Skills
- English or Maths up to level 2
- Award in Supporting Teaching and Learning Level 2

If you require in-depth advice on progression opportunities or guidance on career choices please contact our Information Advice, Guidance and Careers Advisers on: 0333 003 1717 Email: iag&careers@lal.ac.uk

For general information about other courses, contact us on the same number or check out the website www.lal.ac.uk