



Meet our Early Years Team

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Early Years Hub (Together for Children)

About me

I have worked in childcare for over 20 years, in various roles including being a childminder. I have 2 children, my son is in secondary school and my daughter in Primary school. We have recently welcomed our new puppy Hugo into our home. I joined Together for Children in March 2022, I love my job and love being part of a great team.

What I can do

- I provide advice and guidance to childminders, nurseries, early years in schools and out of school clubs
- I can complete audits around funding, safeguarding and teaching and learning
- I can support providers to prepare for Ofsted
- I deliver statutory training and briefing sessions and bespoke training
- I can offer support regarding the provider portal and can help with any funding queries
- I can help with any general questions, queries and support
- I run childminder playgroups within the family hubs and outdoor play groups
- I'll always try my best to support settings and answer any other queries you have!

What I have done

- I have worked in social services and local authority nurseries, as a practitioner, nursery manager and area manager
- I have worked in family support and have a good understanding of Early Help
- I was a quality assurance and development officer in a neighbouring local authority, supporting childcare providers
- I was an Ofsted registered childminder in Sunderland, offering funded places

