Meet our Early Years team

Joanne Johnson Childcare Development Officer

About me

I have worked in early years for 20 years in various roles, including being a Childminder. I joined Together for Children in March 2022. I love my job and love being part of a great team.

I have two children called Adam and Lucy. Adam is starting secondary school and Lucy is in primary school.

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What I can do

- I provide advice and guidance to childminders, out of school clubs and daycare settings
- I can complete safeguarding Check Ins by visiting your setting and working through information based on the safeguarding and welfare requirements
- I can support providers to prepare for Ofsted
- I deliver training and briefing sessions
- I offer support regarding the Provider Portal
- I can help with any funding queries
- I'll always try my best to answer any other queries you have

What I have done

- I have worked in 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 an Ofsted registered Childminder in Sunderland, offering funded places
- I was a Quality Assurance and Development Officer in a neighbouring local authority, supporting childcare providers



