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Meet our Early Years Team

Julie Harrison

Professional Development Officer

About me

I was born in Gateshead before moving to Washington in 1978 with my parents and 2 siblings. I am married with 2 grown up children and a Nana to my gorgeous grandson and granddaughter who I adore. I have a 7 year old cat Bella and a 1 year old mischievous black cocker spaniel called Cooper. I joined the Together for Children school improvement service in April 2018 and I am very much the CPD "organiser" and consider myself as a person who loves to help and support others.

What I can do

- I plan the annual programme of training, events, support and development for all settings
- I liaise with colleagues and external providers to ensure all relevant training is implemented
- Manage all bookings including supporting settings to navigate the Traded Services website
- Marketing and publicity of all training, events and support available
- I manage the World Text Messaging Service for childminders
- I support the development of any new training and manage the NCFE Assessment centre and much more...

What I have done

- I left school in 1979 and worked in the civil service untill 1988
- I quickly became interested in early years and childcare when my daughter started playgroup... this led me to working and eventually managing playgroups
- I have gained a BA Hons in Education
- I have been a coordinator and tutor delivering a variety of accredited and non-accredited childcare related training
- I have been a training manager in the community where I managed a raft of different training experiences for local people, this included working with refugees and asylum seekers which gave me an appreciation of how different people live
- I managed and delivered the prevent counter terrorism agenda to staff within Sunderland City Council before moving onto my current role with Together for Children
- My most rewarding roles have been those where I am involved in supporting and nurturing passionate people to develop skills and knowledge to improve the lives of children and young people in the city

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