

Vacancy Bulletin

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Early Years and Childcare



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Complete the form and email it to: earlyyearsvacancies@southglos.gov.uk.

If you do not have access to the VLE please email: earlyyears@southglos.gov.uk.

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To make a payment please click here <http://www.southglos.gov.uk/>.

Select 'Pay Online > Other Payments > Early Years Training > Vacancy Bulletin Advert' and follow the online instructions.

Queries to

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Vacancy in the Early Years Team

We are looking for a part time Business and Finance Support Officer to join our team on a limited term contract.

Find out more: [Business and Finance Support Officer in Yate, United Kingdom | South Gloucestershire Council](#)

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Pucklechurch Pre-School

Are you a pack away setting, a committee run setting or a Registered Charity? We are a pack away setting and we are closing on the 21st of July 2026. We have cupboards full of equipment which we are happy to part with, if there is anything you are looking for, please drop me an email at wynter397@gmail.com. We have too much to list. A small donation would be great.

Thank you.

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Find out about working in childcare and search nationwide vacancies [Do something big - Early Years Careers](#)

Do something big, work with small children

Be part of something BIG

Working in early years and childcare is unique and rewarding. You get to make a difference that lasts a lifetime by being part of a child's early education. No two days are the same helping young children to grow, learn and flourish.

Work in a nursery or preschool

Enjoy a rewarding role with variety, creativity, and options to progress. You'll work in a team and make a real difference by providing early education to children aged 3 months to 5 years old.

Become a childminder

As a Childminder, you'll provide personalised early education and childcare to small groups of children of different ages. You'll have the freedom to run your own business and work flexibly.

Work in before or after school clubs

Combine great flexibility with the chance to share your passion with primary school children whether that's sports, music or nature.

To find out more about a career in early years, explore apprenticeship opportunities, or to search for roles near you, head to gov.uk/early-years-careers

HM Government

Search: Early Years Careers

Search: Early Years Careers

Are you an employer with a childcare vacancy to advertise? Click [here](#) to find out how to post on [DWP Find a Job](#)

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Committee Support & Guidance

As an Officer of the Committee, do you fully understand the roles and responsibilities of a voluntary organisation? Do you know about the VLE and the information available to you? Are you confident that you can recruit replacements when your time as a Committee Officer is up?

Do you feel you need some advice?
For further information please contact:

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FREE Level 3 qualifications

FREE courses for jobs in early years

Take the first step to your dream job or working with children



Benefits of gaining a Level 3 qualification

- Gaining a Level 3 qualification could boost your income by 16% and help you stand out to employers.
- The courses are designed to help you improve your job opportunities and could lead to earning a higher wage.
- Working with children in nurseries, schools and hospitals can be extremely rewarding.
- These qualifications are equivalent to an advanced technical certificate or diploma, or A levels.

Why choose to study with us



SGS College has chosen a range of Level 3 qualifications in the Early Years sector to help improve your job prospects. These courses are a combination of online and blended learning. Choose from:

- Level 3 Certificate in Understanding Autism
- Level 3 Certificate in Understanding Mental Health
- Level 3 Diploma Early Years Practitioner



If you are interested in one of our Level 3 courses, please contact us and we will be able to let you know if you are eligible for full funding.

www.sgscol.ac.uk/freecoursesforjobs

Email: info@sgscol.ac.uk

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Could you become a **Childminder?**

We are looking for people in South Gloucestershire who want to help give children the best start in life by becoming an Ofsted registered childminder

Do you:

- Want to be your own boss?
- Work from home?
- Choose your working hours to fit around your family?
- Want a career that is financially rewarding?

Are you:

- Wanting to play a hugely important role in a child's learning and development?
- Looking for a job where you can have fun!?
- Do you want to create wonderful memories for yourself and the children in your care?
- Are you passionate about giving the children the best possible start in life?

We'll give you:

- A mentor to help guide you through the process of registering with Ofsted
- Support from a dedicated Setting Support Officer
- Free 24/7 access to our Virtual Learning Environment
- Access to a programme of virtual and in person training courses
- Lots of opportunities to network with other childminders in the South Gloucestershire



Contact us at earlyyears@southglos.gov.uk on 01454 863355

to request a copy of our Pre-Registration Information Booklet for Prospective Childminders

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**Do you know
about the support
available from the
Business Development
Team**

If there is anything we can help you with please contact us!

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EARLY YEARS

FIND OUT MORE, JOIN OUR CALL

The need for qualified staff in the early years sector will rise from September 2025 with the increased demand for childcare places

Support is available for filling your vacancies and converting interested local jobseekers into qualified team members

**Could you spare 20 minutes
to hear about an innovative
recruitment solution?**

DWP have collaborated with SGS College and South Gloucestershire Council to deliver a streamlined routeway. Its success will rely on the involvement of childcare providers

A number of short Teams calls are scheduled, open to all childcare providers

Please email: swap.asg@dwp.gov.uk for dial-in details



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Pre-Schools



Play • Learn • Grow

Organisation – First Step Pre-school Ltd - Thornbury

Vacancy - Level 3 Qualified Practitioner, have an understanding of Safeguarding and Child Protection.

Hours - 19.5 hrs a week (negotiable) – Term time from September '26

Contact – Sue - Manager@firststeppreschool.co.uk 01454 867283

Closing Date – 01/07/26

Can you fly a kite, give a dinosaur a bath, wash cars perhaps bring a cow or a bus to develop children's imagination. Can you prepare activities which build on social, emotional, and cognitive abilities to enable children to 'get school ready' also following children's interests enabling them to have and make choices in their learning environment.

First Step Pre-school Ltd offer competitive salaries, staff Wellbeing is supported and if needed there is discounted childcare, uniform is provided and there are internal and external training opportunities.

Email or ring if you would like more information and an application form.

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Contact: Donna on 07837 707 331 or donna@lachildcare.co.uk

Vacancy: **PRE-SCHOOL PRACTITIONER/SENDco** - *(Job description available on request)*

We currently have an exciting opportunity for a **pre-school practitioner/SENDco** within our amazing setting, with 2 gardens, based at the Jubilee Centre, Bradley Stoke. The position is for 5 days, term time only, to begin June 2026 (alternatively September 2026)

The ideal applicant will hold a level 2 or above childcare qualification and will have sound knowledge and or qualifications with regards to safeguarding of children, however, we can arrange current safeguarding training, if required. We may consider an unqualified applicant who has suitable experience, with a view to achieving a childcare qualification whilst working.

We are seeking an enthusiastic, friendly person to work in our 'child led' Pre-school, in particular supporting our children with additional needs. Our manager is currently the pre-school SENDco and is keen to support a practitioner into this special and rewarding role. SEND experience is helpful, but not essential. SENDco training and support is available to the right candidate, all we would require is that you are passionate about working with children who may have additional needs. We follow the '*Teaching In the Moment*' model and can offer training and support in this area. You will be working as part of an experienced friendly and fun-loving team, to support learning and development for all the children in our care. You will also build and develop relationships with their families. Most importantly you should be 'child centred', enjoy getting messy and having fun!

If this sounds like it could be you - do get in touch for an informal chat.

L A Childcare has a passion for promoting a high level of childcare in a safe stimulating environment which promotes 'Teaching In The Moment'.

Hours: 8.45am-3.15pm (There may be some flexibility if needed)

Rate of Pay: To be discussed

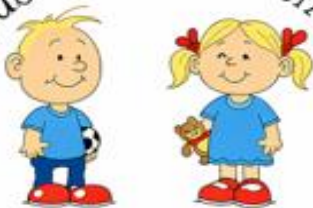
Closing Date: As soon as position is filled

Interview Date: To be arranged on contact

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Phase Five Pre-School



Established 1978

WE'RE HIRING!

JOIN OUR PRESCHOOL TEAM

ROOM LEADER

SUPPORT
YOUNG CHILDREN
TO LEARN,
GROW AND
THRIVE!

An exciting opportunity to lead, inspire and make a difference
in the lives of young children every day.



LOCATION:

Phase 5 Pre School,
Kelston Close, Yate



HOURS:

Term-Time Only
Full-Time or Part-Time
(flexible for the right candidate)



SALARY:

Competitive salary
based on experience
and qualifications



TERM TIME ONLY

Only work during
school term times



ABOUT US

We are a friendly, community-focused preschool dedicated to providing a safe, nurturing, and stimulating environment for young children. We have been proudly serving families in our community since 1978.



THE ROLE

As a Room Leader, you will lead a team to deliver high-quality care and early years education, ensuring every child feels happy, safe and valued. You will plan engaging activities, monitor children's progress and build strong partnerships with families.



KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Lead, motivate and support staff within your room
- Plan and deliver a stimulating and inclusive curriculum
- Observe, assess and track children's progress
- Ensure a safe, welcoming and engaging environment
- Build positive relationships with children, families and the wider team
- Uphold safeguarding, health and safety policies at all times



REQUIREMENTS

- Level 3 Early Years qualification as a minimum (Level 6 desirable)
- Experience working in an early years setting, with leadership experience preferred
- Strong understanding of the EYFS
- Excellent communication and teamwork skills
- A passion for supporting children's learning and development
- Enhanced DBS check

WHAT WE OFFER

- A supportive and friendly team environment
- Term-time-only working
- Ongoing training and professional development
- Opportunities to make a real difference
- Competitive salary



HOW TO APPLY

If you are passionate about leading a team and making a positive impact, we would love to hear from you!

Please send your CV and a brief cover letter to:



Kate Smoothy
phase5preschool@gmail.com



CLOSING DATE:

11th May 2026



We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

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WE'RE HIRING!

JOIN OUR PRESCHOOL TEAM

BANK STAFF MEMBER (TERM-TIME ONLY)

SUPPORT
YOUNG CHILDREN
TO LEARN,
GROW AND
THRIVE!



LOCATION:

Phase 5 Pre School,
Kelston Close, Yate



HOURS:

Flexible,
Term-Time Only
(as required)



SALARY:

Competitive
hourly rate
(dependent on
experience)



TERM TIME ONLY

Only work during
school term times

ABOUT US

We are a friendly, community-focused preschool dedicated to providing a safe, nurturing, and stimulating environment for young children. We are seeking enthusiastic and reliable Bank Staff Members to join our team on a flexible, as-needed basis during term time.

THE ROLE

As a Bank Staff Member, you will support the preschool team in delivering high-quality care and early years education. This role is ideal for individuals looking for flexible working hours that fit around other commitments.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist in the day-to-day care and supervision of children aged (insert age range)
- Support planned activities that promote learning and development
- Help maintain a safe, clean, and engaging environment
- Work collaboratively with staff to meet children's individual needs
- Follow safeguarding, health, and safety policies at all times

REQUIREMENTS

- A genuine interest in working with young children
- Relevant childcare qualification (desirable but not essential)
- Experience in an early years setting (preferred)
- Strong communication and teamwork skills
- Flexible and reliable approach to work
- Enhanced DBS check (or willingness to obtain one)

WHAT WE OFFER

- Flexible, term-time-only working hours
- Supportive and welcoming team environment
- Opportunities to gain experience in early years education
- Ongoing training and development opportunities



HOW TO APPLY

If you are passionate about supporting young children's development and are looking for flexible work within a preschool setting, we would love to hear from you.

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Nurseries



- Organisation:** Anchor Day Nursery - Kingswood
- Contact:** Natalie Stenner, 01179615784, anchordaynursery@hotmail.com
- Vacancy:** Qualified Early Years Educator to work within our 2-3 years unit
- Hours:** 40 hours, 5 days a week. Shift pattern between 7.30am-6.15pm. Incentive days, competitive salaries, 51 weeks of the year
- Rate of Pay:** £29,120 - £31,200 depending on qualification and experience
- Closing Date:** May 2026
- Interview Date:** ASAP

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Organisation: Anchor Day Nursery - Kingswood
Contact: Natalie Stenner, 01179615784, anchordaynursery@hotmail.com
Vacancy: Qualified Early Years Educator to work within our 0-2 years unit
Hours: 40 hours, 5 days a week. Shift pattern between 7.30am-6.15pm. Incentive days, competitive salaries, 51 weeks of the year
Rate of Pay: £27,040 - £29,120 depending on qualification and experience
Closing Date: May 2026
Interview Date: ASAP

Organisation: Anchor Day Nursery - Kingswood
Contact: Natalie Stenner, 01179615784, anchordaynursery@hotmail.com
Vacancy: Nursery Chef. Experience of working within catering essential. Level 2 food hygiene essential, can be completed at nursery
Hours: 35 hours, 5 days a week. 9am-4.30pm. Incentive days, competitive salaries, 51 weeks of the year
Rate of Pay: £23,660 - £26,390 depending on qualification and experience
Closing Date: May 2026
Interview Date: ASAP

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CHERRY TREE DAY NURSERY in YATE, est.1995

Small private day nursery, has the following all year round employment opportunities:

PART/FULL TIME NURSERY NURSE

Ideally level III qualified, may consider other qualification/experience
Working hours & days are negotiable

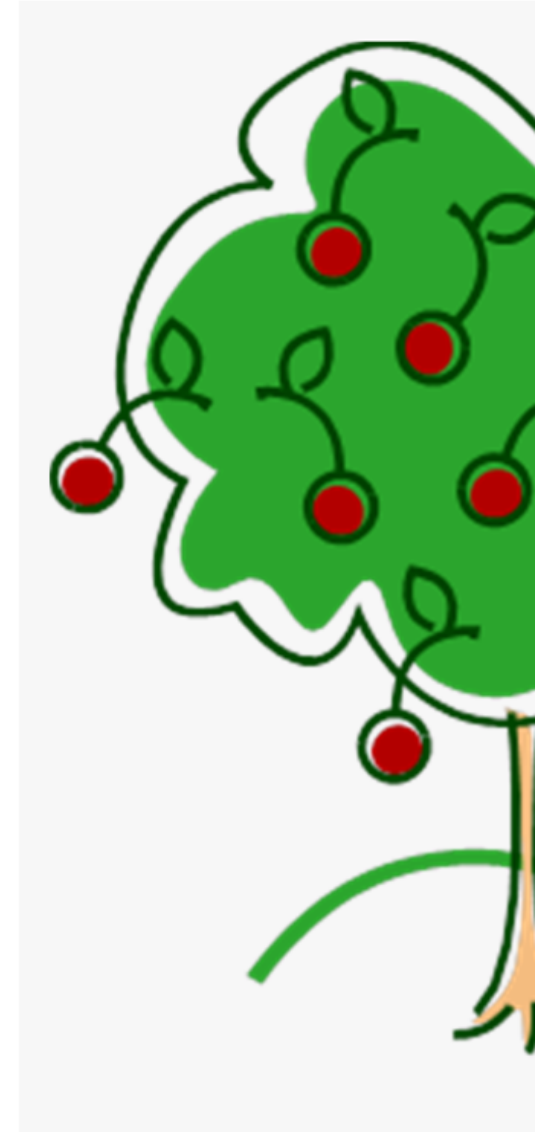
Are you energetic, want to be part of a team that are passionate in providing a nurturing, caring and happy environment where individuals flourish?

LUNCHTIME ASSISTANT

2-3 hours per day between 11:30 am and 3:30 pm
Up to 5 days per week

No previous experience necessary but a keen team ethic while supporting children during this social time desirable

Number of working days/hours/pay is negotiable for the right candidates
Apply with CV to 7 Lodge Road, Yate, Bristol BS37 7LE
Cherrytreedaynursery7@gmail.com OR 01454 228665



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Dragonflies Nursery



Level 3 Early Years Educator Required

Join our small, friendly team at our family-run nursery in the picturesque village of Badminton (just 10-15 mins from Yate).



Are you passionate about shaping young children and helping them thrive?

We are looking for enthusiastic and caring team members to support children to grow, learn and flourish!

Full & Part Time Positions available 20-40 hours per week within our working hours of 8am-6pm Monday - Thursday and 8am-5pm Friday - All year round

We offer a warm and happy working environment with paid breaks, paid birthday off, annual leave, and team building activities.

Tel: 01454 219400 | info@dragonflieslimited.co.uk

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Level 3 qualified and experienced member of staff with a passion for teaching, who is fun and caring.

Working with children ages 0-5 yrs old.

Knowledge of tapestry would be beneficial but not essential.

**30 - 40 hours between Monday - Friday 8am - 6pm.
(hours negotiable, for an all year round setting)**

Pay depending on experience and qualification.

**Please contact Clare Saphier or Hollie Dennis
Tel. 01454 850134
Email. Firststeps2005@outlook.com**

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Early years practitioner

The Moringa team are looking for a practitioner to join our small and friendly team.

We are a small nursery in Yate providing a homely environment for children aged from 3months through to 5years. Applicants would be required to have a flexible approach within the setting, working with children of varied needs. Roles and responsibilities differ per age range, while meeting the requirements of the EYFS, to be discussed at an interview.

We can offer a fun, professional, rewarding and lively environment with on-the-job training with a variety of opportunities available.

The applicant must have an early year's qualification of level 2 or 3 with experience within the last 2 years and knowledge of the new EYFS framework.

This could be a full or part time position, on an all-year-round basis.

The hours of business are Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm with a 30 minute paid lunch break.

Paediatric first aid certificate preferable.

Preferably on the DBS update service.

Previous applicants who have completed an application form need not apply.

We can offer discounted childcare rates, public parking, health and wellbeing programme, company pension and events.

Please contact Stacy or Becky for an application: info@moringadaynursery.co.uk

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Sunbeams
day nursery & pre-school

Full Time Baby Room L3 Qualified Nursery Practitioner

📍 Location: Sunbeams, **Downend, Bristol, BS16**

🕒 Hours: **8:00 AM – 6:00 PM, 4 days** per week

💰 **£13.50ph**

As a **small, independent** setting, we have the flexibility to **meet individual needs** and make **changes for improvement**. We're especially supportive of **staff professional development**.

The role will involve helping with the day-to-day running of the rooms. You must be **caring, passionate about supporting children's learning**, and able to **have fun!**

Experience of working in early years is desired.

What We Offer:

- 🌱 A welcoming, family-like team where you'll feel valued and supported
 - 🎓 Ongoing training and career development opportunities
 - 💡 Freedom to bring your creativity and ideas into the nursery
- 👶 **Closed for a week over Christmas!**

Contact - Kirsty Higgs or Emma Goodridge
0117 956 6060 - sunbeamsnursery@gmail.com

Or apply via our website:
sunbeams-daynursery.com/apply-now/

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Tockington Manor School and Nursery

We're more than a school. We're a family.

nurserymanager@tockingtonmanorschool.com



Level 3 Early Years Practitioners Wanted 🌈

Do you believe in muddy puddles, magical story times, and giggles that last all day? 🍌

Due to a growing waitlist of children, we're on the lookout for two **passionate, caring, and playful Level 3 Early Years Practitioners** to join our wonderful team!

The School and Nursery are located on 28 acres of land as well as having access to local farmers fields and woodland areas for educational trips.

Essential criteria: Level 3 or above in Early Years Education and knowledge of the EYFS

Desirable: Safeguarding and Paediatric First Aid training,

Hours: 35-40 hours per week

If you are passionate about working in the Early Years sector and would like more information please contact the Nursery Manager, Laura on 01454 613098 or email nurserymanager@tockingtonmanorschool.com

We look forward to hearing from you!

Tockington Manor Nursery, Washingpool Hill Road, Bristol, BS32 4NY

website: www.tockingtonmanorschool.com

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Month to Advertise	Cut-Off Date by 10.00am
June 2026	25 May 2026
July 2026	25 June 2026
August 2026	27 July 2026
September 2026	24 August 2026
October 2026	28 September 2026
November 2026	26 October 2026
December 2026	25 November 2026
January 2027	4 January 2027

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