

Vacancy Bulletin

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Early Years and Childcare



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📁Early Years Providers » 📁04. Business + Finance » 📁Vacancy Bulletin

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/>.

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The deadline
to advertise in
the next bulletin
is 10.00am
24 August 2026

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Early Years Team

Compliance Officer - Early Years Team

Location	Salary Range	Position Type	Contract Type	Hours	Advertising End Date
Badminton Road	£36,363 - £39,152	Part-Time	Permanent	22.20	9/8/2026

Funding and Sustainability Officer - Early Years Team

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**TUES 6
OCTOBER**
3.30pm-
6.30pm

Yate Library,
44 West Walk,
Yate Shopping
Centre,
BS37 4AX

EARLY YEARS CAREERS EVENT



START YOUR CAREER IN EARLY YEARS

Have you considered a career working in a pre-school or day nursery, or as an Ofsted registered childminder?

Join us at our free Early Years Careers Event to explore a range of opportunities in childcare and early education.

WHAT TO EXPECT

- Meet local employers and training providers.
- Find out about roles across the sector, from apprenticeships to qualified practitioners.
- Talk to our friendly team about becoming a self-employed, Ofsted registered childminder.
- Learn about free childcare entitlement funding for working parents.

HOW TO ATTEND

There is no need to book, just turn up.

For more information email us at:

✉ earlyyears@southglos.gov.uk

or visit our working in early years and childcare webpage at:

🌐 www.southglos.gov.uk/working-in-childcare

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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



**Search:
Early Years
Careers**



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



**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

The Local Authority are offering a Start Up Grant to newly registered childminders who meet the criteria of the grant and successfully register with Ofsted from 1 July 2026. Please contact earlyyears@southglos.gov.uk if you would like more information.

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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@dpw.gov.uk for dial-in details



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Youth Guarantee programme - supporting young people into work

The Youth Guarantee programme supports 18- to 21-year-olds, including young people with special educational needs, disabilities, or mental health challenges to move into paid work, training, or further education.

The programme offers tailored guidance, confidence building activities and personalised pathways ensuring each young person has the right support at every stage of their journey. Businesses can play a vital role by offering 8-week work placements, helping young people gain experience while supporting local talent to thrive. There is also a limited employer bursary to cover costs incurred by businesses hosting placements. If your organisation is interested in providing a work placement or finding out more, please email business@southglos.gov.uk.



The poster features a young man with dark hair, wearing a white polo shirt and a black apron, smiling with his arms crossed. The background is a blurred workshop or kitchen setting. The text is in white and green on a dark green background.

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YOUTH GUARANTEE
Funded by UK Government

SUPPORT LOCAL YOUTH

Offer a Work Placement

Could your business offer an opportunity to a young person who just needs a chance?

South Gloucestershire Council is looking for employers to host 8-week placements as part of the Youth Guarantee Programme – supporting 18–21-year-olds in South Gloucestershire who are not currently in education, employment or training, and who may face additional barriers such as Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) or mental and emotional health needs.

Support offered

- ✓ Training and awareness for employing a diverse range of potential employees
- ✓ Exploring alternative recruitment routes, including work experience and apprenticeships
- ✓ Full guidance and support throughout

To get involved

please contact us at business@southglos.gov.uk

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Pre-Schools



Play • Learn • Grow

Organisation – First Step Pre-school Ltd

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

Hours – 2 x 19.5 hrs a week – Term time

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

Closing Date – 10/09/26

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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Our Lady of Lourdes Pre-School, Kingswood

We are looking for a manager

We are looking for a fun, dynamic, approachable and friendly professional to fill our Manager Position. This is an exciting opportunity for any candidate with the right early years' experience. We are a 'child led' setting and planning follows the children's interests. We are a small friendly team working in a long-established committee run term-time pre-school, the new Manager must have at least 2 years recent management experience, sound working knowledge of the EYFS, advanced safeguarding and experience of running a committee run preschool an advantage.

Level 3 childcare minimum and Enhanced DBS required

September 2026 Start

Hours of Work: Term Time Monday – Thursday 8.30am – 3.15pm & Friday 8.30am – 12.15 (With a view to extending until 3.15)

RATE OF PAY: DEPENDING ON EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR AMAZING TEAM PLEASE EMAIL THE OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION

EMAIL ololpreschool@hotmail.co.uk

For further information and application form

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Nurseries



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?

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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First Friends

Contact: Emma Nichols

Email-info@firstfriendsmangotsfield.co.uk

0117 9573799

Nursery practitioner - level 3 or above

Are you passionate about supporting young children to help guide and nurture them in early development?

We are looking for an enthusiastic, kind individual to help plan and deliver fun, educational activities, supporting development and engaging children in different learning opportunities.

Qualifications:	Level 2 or above qualification in Early Years
Hours:	15 - 20 hours per week- days to be discussed
Pay:	£13.34 per hour
Closing Date:	August 31st
Interview Date:	September

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We're recruiting!

Muddy Puddles Nursery and Pre-School

Bank Nursery Practitioner

Flexible hours to suit you

We are looking for enthusiastic and caring Bank Nursery Practitioners to join our team, providing flexible cover across our nursery.

We're looking for someone who:

- Has a passion for working with children aged 0–5
- Is reliable, enthusiastic and a great team player
- Holds a Level 2 or Level 3 Early Years qualification (preferred)
- Can provide high-quality care in line with the EYFS

We offer:

- ✓ Flexible working
- ✓ Supportive and welcoming team
- ✓ Ongoing training and development

📍 Location: Mangotsfield, Bristol

✉ To apply or find out more: samantha@muddypuddlesbristol.co.uk

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Preschool - Joint Room Leader

Little Ducklings Nursery, Iron Acton, BS379XU

About Us:

Little Ducklings is a nurturing, home-from-home nursery surrounded by countryside in Iron Acton. We're passionate about giving children meaningful, hands-on learning experiences — encouraging them to explore, discover, and develop at their own pace.

What We're Looking For;

We're looking for a confident and nurturing Pre-school Room Leader who is passionate about early childhood and ready to lead with care and creativity.

Working Hours – As this is a shared role, you will be required to work a minimum of three days per week, from 8:00am to 6:00pm.

- A Level 3 qualification in Early Years (or above)
- A genuine passion for creating a calm, engaging and curiosity-led environment where toddlers feel safe and inspired to explore
- Strong knowledge of the EYFS, safeguarding and child protection procedures
- A clear understanding of the SEN Code of Practice and a commitment to inclusive practice
- A caring, positive and proactive approach, with the ability to lead by example
- A true team player who brings creativity, enthusiasm and warmth to the room

What We Offer;

- Supportive leadership and a welcoming team atmosphere
- Opportunities for training and career development
- Involvement in our Curiosity Approach accreditation journey
- Implementation of In the Moment Planning and use of Family for simple, efficient communication
- Mental Health and Wellbeing Officers to support staff and promote positive wellbeing
- Competitive salary
- Staff childcare discounts
- A beautiful rural setting with plenty of outdoor space



To apply, please send your CV and a short cover letter to info@littleducklingsironacton.com Or pop in for a chat – we'd love to meet you!

Safeguarding Notice:

Little Ducklings Nursery is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Applicants who are shortlisted will be subject to:

- An enhanced DBS check
- Two satisfactory references, one being your most recent employer
- An online record check as part of our safer recruitment process

Come and be part of our exciting Curiosity Approach journey at Little Ducklings Iron Acton — where curiosity, creativity, wellbeing, and teamwork come

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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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Month to Advertise	Cut-Off Date by 10.00am
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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