



You are BRILLIANT!

Thank you for all that you do that makes such a huge difference to the lives of young children and their families.

Read on to discover what our Early Years Stronger Practice Hub has to offer you over the coming weeks. Informative and inspirational webinars, supportive and collaborative learning networks and a **FREE Early Years Conference!**

We hope there will be something for everyone at a time and place to suit you. If there is anything else that you need or would like - be sure to get in touch by email and we will try and make it happen.

If you haven't already, sign up to the hub NOW so that you don't miss out.

[Sign up here](#)

Stronger Together Spring Conference - Leeds



We are so excited to announce our **Stronger Together Spring Conference!**

Our Spring Conference will offer a fun, vibrant day filled with excitement and learning. You get to hear from our guest speakers **Janet Packer** from [Outdoors Thinking](#) and **Will Hussey**, [Art of Brilliance](#), we'll share the latest information on our training offers, and there will be the opportunity to learn how the FREE initiative [50 Things to Do](#) can improve practice in your setting.

[Book your free place](#)


Webinar & Blog series in association with Early Education

St Edmund's
Early Years
Stronger Practice Hub

TUESDAY 9 APRIL
4-5 PM

Kerry Murphy:

Understanding
self-directed
play and
neurodiversity



We are delighted that our **April webinars** have been so popular – especially the one presented by **Kerry Murphy!** Places have been snapped up very quickly, but unfortunately, many of those booking places have not attended. Please can we ask, going forward, that you only **book 1 place** for yourself and do your best to come, so that your none attendance is not preventing someone else from taking advantage of the opportunity.

All our webinars are all recorded and will soon be made available on our website to watch at a time that suits you. In the meantime, if you were not able to book a place on our Kerry Murphy webinar, fill in this form and we will send you the recording

[Understanding self-directed play and neurodiversity with Kerry Murphy](#)

Childminders - A Grand Day Out!

Is training impossible to get to during the day whilst you are working?

We have developed an **offer just for childminders**; bring your children along to take part in an interactive session on storytelling, taking place at a range of outdoor locations across West and South Yorkshire.

Get a goodie bag that helps you to reproduce the skills shared and the learning anticipated! Bring a picnic to share after the event if you fancy and make it **A Grand Day Out**.

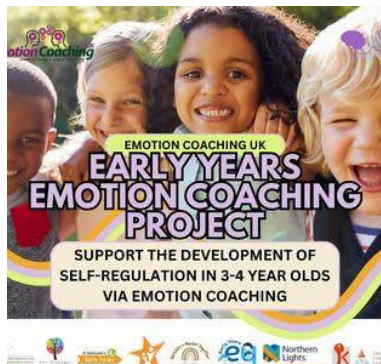


Dates and locations will be released monthly, so keep an eye on our socials and book your place at an event near you!

EEF Programmes

Your school/setting could take part in a trial to **support the further development of evidence based early years practice.**

As well as free training and resources these programmes have the potential to have real impact for your children and their families.



We are looking for EY settings from matched Stronger Practice Hubs to take part in this exciting research project starting Autumn 2024. If you would like to find out more about taking part in the project, click [HERE](#).

Early Years settings in **Kirklees, Wakefield and Calderdale** are being offered an opportunity to take part in **Talking Time©** as part of an Education-Endowment Foundation-funded research study.



Visit the Talking Time [website](#) to find out more about the programme and how to get involved.

Early Number with Numicon Pilot Study

This is a 14-week programme designed to support childminders and practitioners in the remote private, voluntary and independent early years settings to deliver early Maths sessions to 3–4 year old children.



Developed by Oxford University Press, it aims to prepare practitioners to introduce children to the fundamentals of numbers using Numicon.

This offer is completely free to settings - If you are interested in taking part in the pilot evaluation, please fill in the [expression of interest form](#)

Our New Apprenticeship Academy – We Need Your Help!



We are really excited to announce that **Birth to 19** and **St Edmund's Nursery School** will be launching our new Apprenticeship Academy, with courses starting in September.

We would like the opportunity to ask you about your requirements for apprentices and share some of our initial thoughts, to get your feedback. This is an informal, online session, all welcome!

Be part of shaping a high quality entry-level workforce!
Sign up for the session on May 7th 6:30-7:30 pm

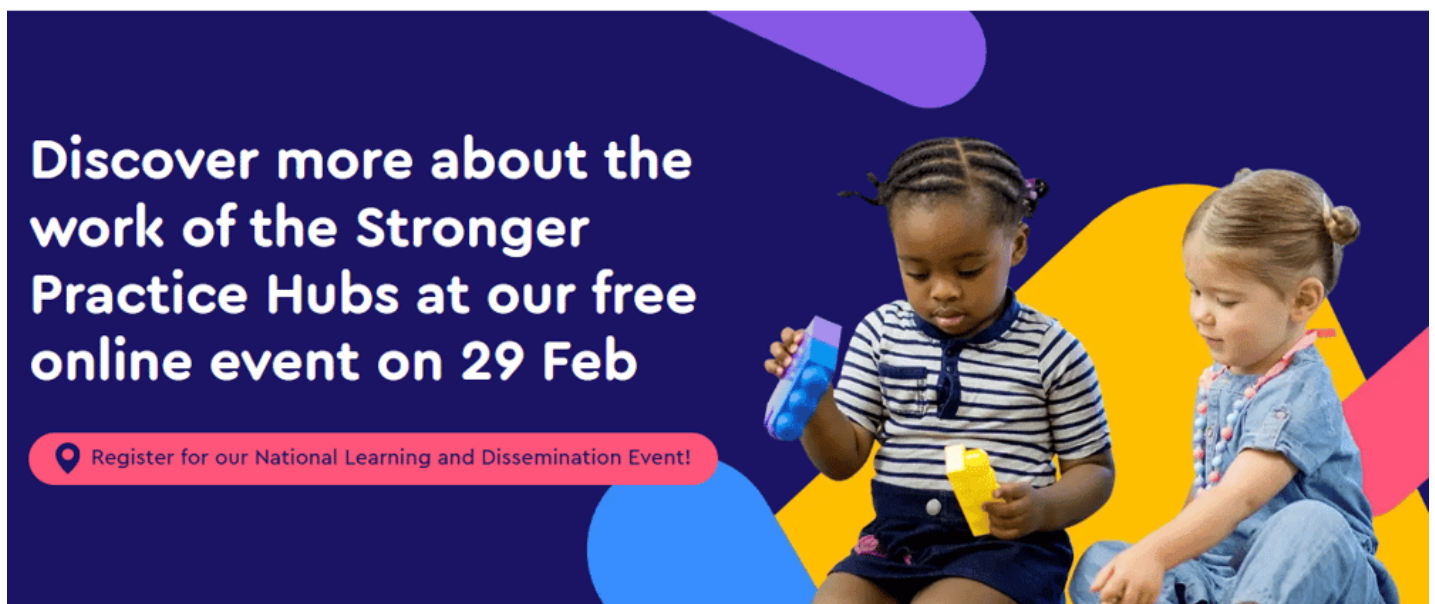
[Sign up here](#)

Explore Our Website



Our St Edmund's Early Years Stronger Practice Hub [website](#) is the 'one stop shop' where you can find everything you need. Follow the link and spend a couple of minutes exploring what we have on offer. For example - if you missed a webinar or online Specialist Learning Network session, you will find recordings here.

Explore the Central EYSPH Website



The NCB [website](#) (National Children's Bureau who are leading the whole EYSPH programme for the DfE) is a central place where you can find out about the work of all 18 Early Years Stronger Practice Hubs. Follow the link and discover blogs, webinars, case studies and free resources that can support the work of you and your setting - All high quality, evidence based and FREE!