

# Student Placement in Hillingdon's Children's Centres

### Overview

If you're looking for a fun and rewarding placement, our children's centres might be just what you are looking for. This student placement involves supporting young children and their families within a children's centre, where you will gain practical experience in supporting families to give their young children the best start in life.

## Within this placement, you will have the opportunity to:

- Help run sessions, working directly with young children and parents/carers.
- Interact with children, parents/carers, staff and other professionals through conversation in a professional manner.
- Help set up the room and resources for sessions and help clean up afterward.
- Support in leading activities such as story & song time, messy play, and other fun sessions.
- Watch targeted interventions to learn how to support young children with developmental delays.
- Observe family support activities to gain an understanding of the breadth of services offered and how we can support the whole family.
- Learn how activities and sessions are planned using the Early Years Foundation Stage
- Understand confidentiality, safeguarding, and Health & Safety.
- Help with daily tasks at the Children's Centre.

#### Work hours:

- Monday to Thursday 8:30am-4:15pm, Fri 8:30am-4pm (lunch at 12pm for 30 mins).
- Not all centres have facilities nearby to buy lunch, so it is best to bring lunch with you.

### Dress code:

Please wear professional clothes suitable for working with young children. This may include:

- Jeans or trousers (not ripped jeans), long skirts where you can sit on the floor
- Trainers, boots or shoes (no sandals)
- Avoid wearing anything that shows too much skin like spaghetti straps, belly tops, underwear showing. Also, please do not wear tops with slogans / inappropriate images or any badges / logos of a political nature.

**Learning Needs:** If you have any learning needs, please let us know in advance so we can provide the best support for you.

For more information on Family Hubs and Children's Centres, please go to: <u>Family hubs and children's centres - Hillingdon Council</u>