



Awe and Wonder

Southampton Early Years & Childcare Conference 2022

Saturday 7th May 2022

HighPoint Venue, Bursledon Road, Thornhill, Southampton, SO19 8BR

Coffee & Registration from 9.00 am - 4.30 pm Close

(Please note that registration may open slightly earlier if we need to have additional Covid safety measures)

COST:

£60 for delegates working in Southampton

£100 for non-Southampton Delegates (bookings from 21st February 2022)

Please find below the link to the booking form and terms and conditions. Please note, no refunds can be given but tickets are transferable.

Outline of the day:

- Registration
- Welcome and Introductions
- Guest Speaker Alice Sharp
- Morning Workshop (of your choice)
- Lunch and Networking
- Afternoon Workshop (of your choice)
- Guest Speaker Neil Farmer
- Close Evaluations & Certificates

LUNCH: Jacket Potatoes, salad and butter portions will be served at lunch time (allergy information shown). Your lunch choice can be indicated on the booking form, together with any allergies or other specific requirements.

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2 workshops will be attended during the day, in addition to 2 guest speaker presentations. Please indicate a 1^{st} , 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} choice preference workshops on the <u>Booking form</u>

Workshops

<u>Sustainable Early Years Music – Ignacio Agrimbau (RCM/SoCo)</u>

Are you an owner, manager, lead or SENDCo who would like to learn more about how to engage and inspire your children with SEND using music? If so, then this taster workshop is for you.

The Sustainable Early Years Music (SEYM) project aims to support EY practitioners working with children with SEND to integrate music-making into their practice. It started in April 2019 as a collaboration between two Southampton special schools, the charity SoCo Music Project, and the Royal College of Music (RCM). The current version of the project, SEYM II, focuses on the wider EY sector in Southampton. In this workshop/presentation, SEYM creator Ignacio Agrimbau (Iggy) will introduce the key aspects of the project, share project results and session footage. The session will finish with a brief participatory workshop in which Ignacio will introduce accessible musical instruments and simple facilitation methods.

Little Bags of Wonder – Clare Knight, Springwell School

Sharing the Early years team at Springwell's experience of supporting parents with sensory play and engagement at home. This workshop explores working with the Parent Carer Forum and parents to develop sensory play at home beginning with the amazing bag of sensory resources provided by the Forum when children start at Springwell school.

The workshop includes:

- Parent's experience and feedback on the collaboration and journey
- Creating sensory kits for the home including what works and what doesn't for parents
- Outcomes for children's engagement and interaction in school
- Using an online learning journal to share children's sensory learning with parents
- What did we learn from parents?
- Our next steps as a team

Provocations and Invitations to Play - Alice Sharp

Creating a multi-sensory environment full of provocations and invitations to engage in rich play is of huge importance. Tuning children into the wonder and awe of their world is hugely beneficial. This practical workshop will challenge our thinking around what play should look like for our babies, toddlers, and youngest children.

Living the Story – Southampton Early Years Advisory Teachers/Area SENDCos

'Over the last two decades, there has been a deepening recognition of the fundamental importance of improving reading standards on a child's future academic achievement, wellbeing and success in life.'

Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP Minister of State for School Standards.

During this workshop we will look at ways to develop a love for reading and books to ensure children develop those early and fundamental reading skills on which to build. We will explore ideas and strategies to bring books to life and investigate immersive book experiences that will create awe and wonder with the children you work with. We will give you the opportunity to walk through some book experiences, as well as provide time to develop your own ideas to take back to your setting...

<u>Strange Fascinations Fascinating Me – Neil Farmer</u>

It is the role of the setting to help children experience the awe and wonder of the world in which they live, through the seven areas of learning.'

This session will focus on the need for practitioners to get to know their children really well, what motivates them, what fascinates them, what their preferences might be. High quality adult interactions positively impact on children's innate curiosity about the world around them.

Key to question – what is it like for a child in your setting?

Experiencing true awe and wonder can be inspirational and significantly impact on the development of -

- Exploration
- Creativity
- Cultural and linguistic capital
- Critical Thinking
- Problem Solving
- Emotional Well being

Through this session we will explore planning, provision in both the indoor and outdoor environments and how excellence here have far reaching influences on children's relationships with themselves, others, and the wider world.

Please complete the electronic <u>Booking form</u>: to request your place.

One booking form to be submitted for each booking.





Terms & Conditions

Who should attend? This event is for Early Years Foundation Stage Practitioners:

Nursery & Pre School Practitioners, Childminders, Year R Teachers, Out of School Providers. We welcome all Early Years practitioners who are interested in creating and awe-inspiring environment for children and staff.

Workshops:

Workshops will be 60-minute taster sessions. Two workshops can be attended.

Please indicate 1^{st} and 2^{nd} choice preferences and a 3^{rd} choice as back up, in the unlikely event that your 1^{st} and 2^{nd} choices are unavailable.

Places in each workshop and allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Method of Payment:

Your place will be reserved on receipt of your booking form. You will receive confirmation by email of your two allocated workshops and an SCC invoice. Payment must be made within 30 days. If you have any queries, please email: eycconference@southampton.gov.uk.

Cancellation:

Unfortunately, we are unable to give refunds, however, tickets are transferrable.

Parking:

Parking is available at the venue, but spaces are limited. Please car share or use public transport where possible.

BOGOF Bookings:

The Buy One Get One Free offer will be for bookings received before 31st December 2021. Bookings can be made by Southampton settings/childminders/schools/locality Hubs. Booking and payment must be made by one representative and the free ticket arranged within the group. One booking form to be submitted for each booking and will be invoiced at £60 (this can be for one individual booking, or for 2 bookings/BOGOF)

Gallery Winners - Free Tickets

If you have been issued a free ticket in recognition of your Awe and Wonder Gallery competition entry, please submit your booking form, after which your place will be confirmed. Please note, free tickets are not BOGOF.

Refreshments:

Tea/Coffee will be available on arrival and throughout the day. A light lunch will be provided (Jacket Potatoes and fillings – including vegetarian options). Drinks may be taken into the training rooms.

Certificates:

Certificates of attendance will be awarded at the end of the day.

Contingency:

We are optimistic that the Conference will be held face to face, however, this will be subject to Government Guidance. In the event that we are forced to revert to a virtual conference, our guest speakers and presenters will ensure that delegates receive the best possible experience, including opportunities to network. We will continue to monitor guidance and will keep delegates informed of any changes as far in advance as possible.