



## Getting Ready to Learn

### *Early Intervention Transformation Programme – Workstream 1*

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Getting Ready to Learn seeks to support pre-school settings with DE Funded places to encourage and develop parental involvement in children’s early learning to ensure maximum parental contribution at a crucial time in children’s early brain development.

The focus is on supporting parents to improve their young children’s home learning environment by raising awareness about how children develop; the importance of parent-child relationships for the child’s development and behaviour; the importance of childhood education; and learning and the importance of healthy lifestyles and diet.

Over 350 DE funded pre-school settings have been participating in Getting Ready to Learn this year. Practitioners have been coming together to explore the themes and share ideas for engaging parents and delivering stimulating and interactive workshops. Participating settings have access to guidance and support materials on our dedicated website which includes an input from a range of health professionals and educational services together with a range of practitioners and health professionals, providing access to a growing network of support.

The application process for 2017/18 academic year opens in March 2017.

We strongly encourage all settings to apply!

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