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Family Learning



Free Courses for Parents, Grandparents and Carers

Information for Schools and Professionals

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What is Family Learning?

We offer free courses and workshops for parents, grandparents and carers to give them the confidence to support their child's development at home. Our tutors love engaging adults with education in a safe and welcoming environment. There is always an opportunity to ask questions and be honest about challenges.



Our sessions are fun and interactive, with lots of laughter and creativity. This approach inspires our learners to help their children to thrive during their Early Years and throughout Primary School.

We also give our learners the opportunity to achieve a Functional Skills qualification in Maths or English and can support them with Information, Advice and Guidance on future learning and work.

Free on-site childcare provision at all classes marked with the hedgehogs!

This is provided by highly experienced and qualified professionals.



How does this benefit families?

Parents can learn how to use stories, songs and simple resources to take an active role in their child's development, particularly speech and communication.

Parents improve their self-esteem and feel empowered to talk to their children about what they are learning and also have the confidence to talk to their child's teachers and be more involved in school life.

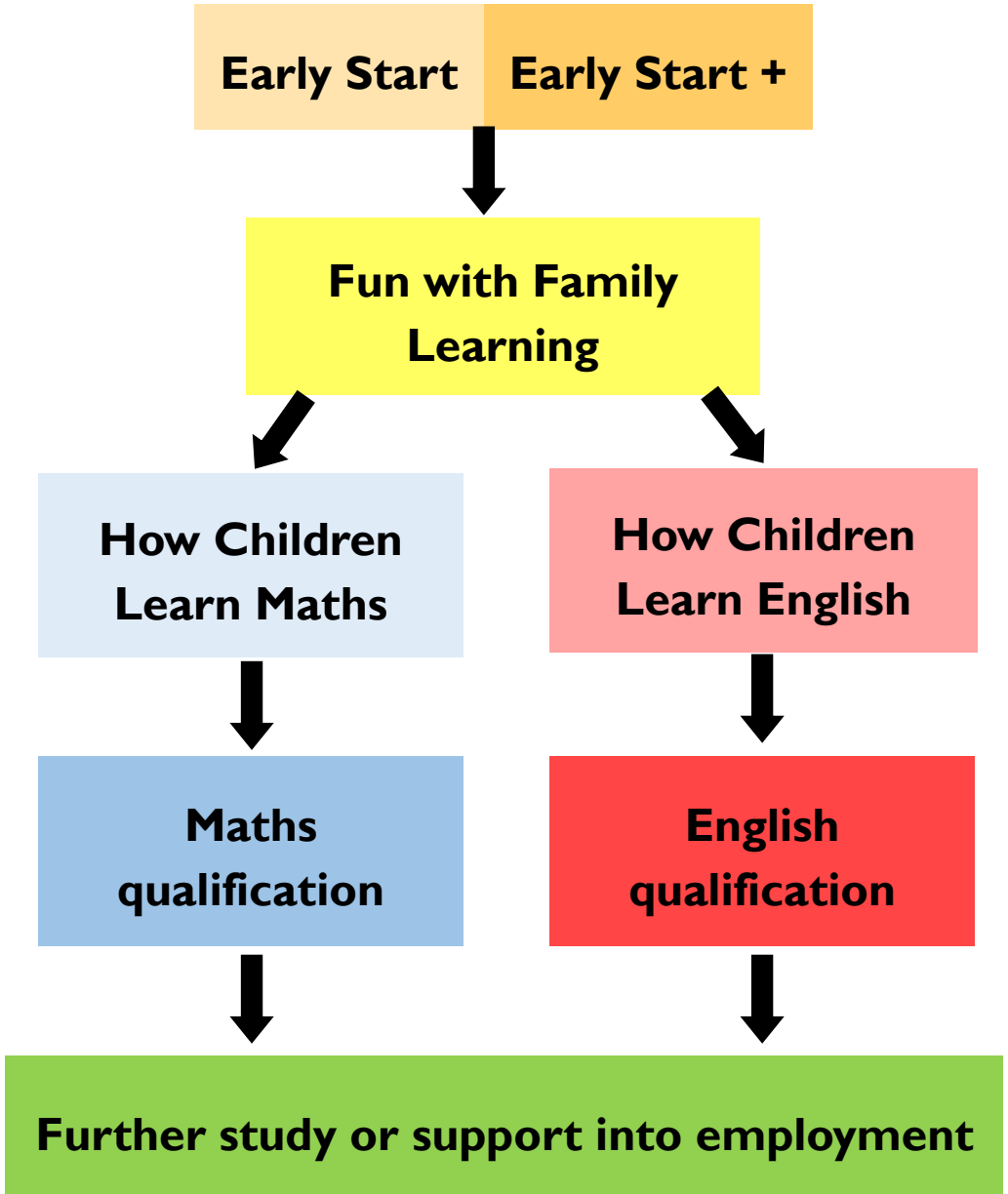


By building positive relationships between home and school, children and parents learning together can develop a lifelong love of learning and find new and exciting ways to explore the world together.

Families can develop transferable skills such as problem-solving, teamwork, creativity, critical thinking and resilience through collaborative learning activities.

Typical progression of a learner

Learners can join Family Learning at any point on the path.



Early Start

For parents/carers of 1-2 year olds

Have fun developing their child's listening, speaking and communication skills through simple activities using rhymes, books, songs and play. We'll focus on sounds and words, shapes, colours and numbers, and indoor and outdoor play, to understand the part they play in children's early learning.



Door 84

Wednesdays 9.30am-11.30am

Hob Moor

Thursdays 9.30am-11.30am

Starting in the week beginning 23rd September 2024

Early Start +

For parents/carers of 3-4 year olds



Explore ideas and activities to support their child's learning, in line with the Early Years Foundation Stage. Learn how to support their child's development and help them to be ready for school.



Hob Moor Children's Centre

Tuesdays 9.30am-11.30am

Westfield Primary School Hub

Wednesdays 12.45pm-2.45pm

Starting in the week beginning 23rd September 2024

Fun with Family Learning

Short courses

4 or 5 week courses where we explore different ways that they can support their families at home through activities and play.

Fun with Phonics

November/December

Get to grips with how phonics is taught in schools and unpack the jargon. Learn games to support your child.

Stories, Song and Rhymes

January/February

Find new ways to get your child excited about stories and books. See how you can set them up for a lifetime of reading.

Positive Communication

March/April

Discover strategies to improve speaking and listening skills at home, including helping your child to express their emotions.

Discover and Grow

April/May

Get your child excited about nature, science and the world around them through practical exploration and discovery.

123 Go and Play!

June/July

Explore numbers, patterns and shapes and make simple games and activities to help your child develop a love of maths.

For parents/carers of 4-6 year olds, to support Early Years

Workshops

A selection of 2-hour workshops we may offer in your venue.

Keeping my Family Safe Online

Introduction to SEND: *ideas to support families with SEND*

Phonics Fun! *a quick introduction to phonics*

Hug in a Jug: *make delicious soups with a free soupmaker!*

Wonderful Winter Crafts: *learn engaging crafts for all the family*


We're Going to Find the Monster! *activities based on the book*

STEM and Roots: *get your family excited about nature*

York Methodist Circuit Hub Wednesdays 12.30pm-2.30pm 

Winterscale House, Fishergate Thursdays 9.15am-11.15am

St Hilda's Church Hall Thursdays 12.45pm-2.45pm 

Westfield Primary School Hub Tuesdays 12.45pm-2.45pm 

Clifton Explore Wednesdays 12.45pm-2.45pm 

Hob Moor Children's Centre Thursdays 12.45pm-2.45pm 

Starting in the week beginning 7th October 2024

How Children Learn Maths

Autumn Term

For parents/carers of primary-aged children

10 week course to help support parents or carers with their child's learning and discover the maths strategies used in schools. We explore the resources that children may have access to, as well as structures such as bar models and part-whole models and how they are beneficial for deeper learning.

In addition, we look at simple games that can be replicated at home so that parents have a bank of tools to support maths skills such as number bonds, mental arithmetic and times tables.

Maths Move On

Spring and Summer Terms

Learners can continue in the class in a fun and relaxed setting, increase their confidence and explore opportunities for further learning to gain Functional Skills qualifications for themselves.

Online via Zoom

Mondays 7.30pm-9pm

St Nicholas' Church Hall, Wigginton *Tuesdays 9.30am-11.30am*

Acomb Explore

Thursdays 9.30am-11.30am

St Aelred's Church Hall

Thursdays 12.45pm-2.45pm

GCSE Maths also available

Online

Mondays 6.30pm-9pm

Acomb Explore

Tuesdays 9.30am-12pm

York Explore

Thursdays 12.15pm-2.45pm

How Children Learn English

Autumn Term


For parents/carers of primary-aged children

10 week course to help support their child's learning and explore how English is taught in schools. We look at different strategies for engaging children in reading and writing at home, giving parents confidence in activities to spark their child's imagination.

We also discuss the expectations of spelling, punctuation grammar and explore tips and tricks to support the development of these skills.

English Move On

Spring and Summer Terms

Learners can continue in the class in a fun and relaxed setting, increase their confidence and explore opportunities for further learning to gain Functional Skills qualifications for themselves. 

Online via Zoom

Mondays 7.30pm-9pm

Hob Moor Children's Centre

Tuesdays 12.45pm-2.45pm

Westfield Primary School Hub

Wednesdays 9.30am-11.30am

Maths and English starting in the week beginning 23rd Sept 2024.

Other times and venues available. Please enquire.

GCSE English also available

York Explore

Wednesdays 9.30am-12pm

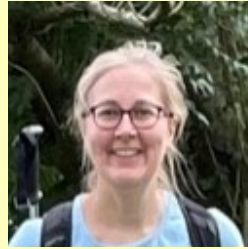
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York Learning's Family Learning Team



Helen Clarkson
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Lead Tutor + Maths

York Learning's mission is simple. We're providing excellent learning opportunities to build academic and career pathways, and working with employers and communities to create stepping stones which improve people's quality of life through education, employment and wellbeing.

Our role in Family Learning is to help parents, grandparents and carers feel more confident supporting their child's development at home. We love getting to know different schools, their children and staff, as well as watching the children grow and learn.

Our Tutors

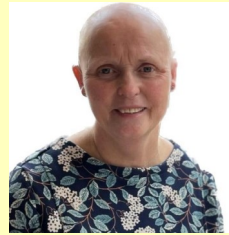
All of our staff aim to create a safe learning environment where learners can feel at ease and without judgment, bringing together laughter, creativity and lots of fun. Where on-site childcare is provided, we work together with our fantastic childcare team.



Lucie Hutton
*Winterscale,
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Julie Duguid
*Early Start+,
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Sally Sutton
*Methodist Hub,
Westfield*



Kerry Johnson
Door 84, Clifton & Hob Moor



Natalie Alldritt
Early Start

Other classes in York

Wider York Learning

- *Arts, Crafts and Dressmaking*
- *English, Maths & Digital Skills*
- *Health, Fitness and Wellness*
- *Dance and Music*
- *Digital Photography*
- *Gardening and Floristry*
- *Languages*
- *Creative Writing*
- *Cookery*
- *Information, Advice and Guidance*



Coming soon

Supporting Children with Special Educational Needs (SEND)

Introduction to Supporting Children at School

Support your child with Year 6 SATS videos

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