



Early Years Foundation Stage Training

EYFS86 Mythbusting early childhood development: Writing

Aimed at: Early years practitioners in the private, voluntary and independent sectors, childminders, school based nurseries and reception classes.

Join us for a dynamic and thought-provoking training day led by Jan Dubiel and Helen Battelley - two of the most respected voices in early childhood education and development.

The day will challenge assumptions and examine common practices surrounding early writing - particularly in the context of the new DfE Writing Framework. Drawing on the most up to date research and perspectives from across early childhood education and care (ECEC), we will look closely at what truly supports children's writing readiness - not only at the table, but from the ground up. We will consider how physical development and movement connect with transcriptional and compositional aspects of writing to create a more holistic understanding.

You will leave with practical strategies, a clearer grasp of developmental expectations, and the confidence to champion approaches that genuinely reflect how children grow, move, and learn.

By the end of this conference, you will be able to:

- critically interrogate the phrase "ready to write";
- explain the role of gross motor foundations;
- evaluate common early years approaches and understand the importance of the purpose and context of writing in terms of the compositional dimension;
- establish the concept of a child's 'writer's voice';
- produce a step by step curriculum aligned action plan;
- draw from a suite of strategies and approaches to support early writing in the EYFS.

Led by: Jan Dubiel, Specialist in Early Childhood Education and Helen Battelley, Movement and Physical Development Consultant

Cost: No charge – funded by the South West Stronger Practice Hub

Date	Venue	Time
22 June 2026	The Pavilion Centre, Wadebridge	09.30-16.30

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