

# Welcome to the Family Learning School's Newsletter

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Keeping Lincolnshire Schools up to date with Family Learning Service news.

## What's in Our Newsletter?

- Join us in to discover what Family Learning is all about.
- Find out more our courses and online workshops.
- Contact information



## Supporting you with Home Learning

During these difficult times it's good to know there are still services ready to support you and your families.

While we can't work with you in schools at the moment, we are still busy providing online courses and resources for families, children and adults.

Follow the link to explore [www.2aspire.org.uk/learning-at-home](http://www.2aspire.org.uk/learning-at-home) and find out more.

## Want to know more?

Join us at one of our information sessions to find out more.

Talk to one of our project officers to find out how Family Learning will work for you and your school.

Follow the link or email us at [anita.pritchard@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:anita.pritchard@lincolnshire.gov.uk) for a convenient time for you.

[Click here to join the meeting](#) on Tuesday 19th January 4pm-5pm

or

[Click here to join the meeting](#) on Friday 22nd January 10am-11am

## What is Family Learning?

The Lincolnshire Adult Skills and Family Learning Service work with families around the county who have the most need. Family Learning is a nationwide programme that provides courses for parents or carers to recognise how to support their children with learning at home.

Working with a link tutor in school, our experienced tutors jointly plan activities which focus on supporting their children with learning rather than addressing an adult's own learning need.

Making resources and trying activities that are easily replicated at home, their confidence in their own ability to support their child grows.

We also support adults who want to improve their own skills with a route back into education.



## Our courses include:

**Family English/Maths**

**Family English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)**

**Keeping Up With The Children ICT**

**Healthy Living and Family Wellbeing**

**Story Sacks and Phonics**

**Learning Through Play**

**Feed Your Family on a Fiver**

All our courses are **free** to schools and parents.

- Work with your project officer to design a course to meet your school needs.
- Our tutors work closely with a link tutor from the school.
- We cover the costs of the link tutor to make sure your families get the best experience.
- A course can be between 6 –15 weeks depending on your needs.
- Each weekly session is between 2 – 3 hours depending on the length of the course.



## Not sure how a Family Learning course will work for you and your parents?

We all know how cautious parents can be about trying some thing new. Why not try a workshop to see for yourself the impact Family Learning has on developing positive home/school relationships?

We work with the Food in Education Team who offer a range of 3 hour **Healthy Eating** workshops:.

**Talk Learn and Do;** 2 hours supporting parents to teach their children about money and saving

We are happy to design a workshop suitable for your schools and parents to help you all see the benefits of Family Learning

Have a chat with us about a short course or session we can deliver to engage your parents, carers or grandparents

*"Helen, our Family Learning Tutor, worked closely with me to tailor learning experiences for parents around our EYFS curriculum and identified needs of our families. I felt that it was bespoke to our provision and Helen cared about the difference it would make to our parents."*

**Early Start - St Giles Academy Lincoln**

### Interested? Call your dedicated project officer to find out more

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While restrictions are still in place with meeting in groups we are offering Family Learning Workshops online through TEAMS.

They're full of ideas for parents, carers or grandparents to do with their child together at home. If you would like to offer one of these workshops exclusive to parents in your school please contact [anita.pritchard@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:anita.pritchard@lincolnshire.gov.uk)

## Healthy Treats



As part of our healthy living programme, this workshop helps parents see how easy it is to make healthy treats together. We even show how to sneak in some maths and English too!

## Fun with Numbers

This free workshop offer a taster of how simple games and activities can help develop early maths skills. Parents will share positive experiences of how children can learn through practical and interactive games.

## Storysacks

Our Storysack workshop helps parents understand how easy it is to use a book to help children find out more than a story. They find out how to use simple props to bring the story alive and how they can stimulate a love of reading in their child.

## The Art of storytelling

This family learning workshop helps parents/carers become more confident when sharing a book with their child. Over the hour they will learn about how storytime can be an enjoyable time for them

## Bringing Stories to Life

In this hour-long workshop parents find out how easy it is to bring stories to life. We look at how sharing books with their child can open up new worlds and develop their imagination through role play

## Family Fun Outdoors

Whatever the weather there's always plenty to do outdoors! Join us as we work together to share ideas about how to turn a walk into a learning adventure or how to help parents show their child about nature-right on their doorstep

## Play to Learn Outdoors

We show parents how to change that everyday trip to the shops or when taking the dog for a walk into learning opportunities in our Play to Learn outdoors workshop. We show how to make every day a school day with easy activities they can do together while they're out and about



## What do schools say about Family Learning?

"The interactions and connections made in the group were invaluable in developing friendships and common ground between the parents who attended. The feedback from the parents was extremely positive and each parent commented that they valued the quality time they had with their child in the school environment. It also helped the parents to understand the learning environment their children are in. The course was extremely rewarding and will certainly have on-going impact for the school and wider community in the future.

Let's Get Crafty for Christmas, Little Gonerby C Of E Infant School



## 2 hours of fun-filled activities for your families.

Our team of qualified tutors deliver a range of courses in schools. The programmes are flexible, friendly and fun. Whether you want to develop parental engagement or meet Ofsted criteria, we can support you and your parents. We will work with you to plan a family learning course that suits your school's needs.



For the first hour our tutor works with the parents to teach activities that support learning, while the link teacher from the school works with their children. During the second hour of joint learning the link tutor leads the interactive teaching with parents and their children, supported by the tutor.



Find out more about what we have to offer at

[www.2aspire.org.uk](http://www.2aspire.org.uk)

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