



**Brent Children and Families Information Service**

**020 8937 3001**

**[www.brent.gov.uk/childcare](http://www.brent.gov.uk/childcare)**

**Brent Civic Centre, Engineers Way, Wembley HA9 0FJ**

**Childcare Courses, ESOL and related subjects in Brent  
and neighbouring boroughs**

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**For further information call the Children and Families Information Service on  
020 8937 3001 or email [cfis@brent.gov.uk](mailto:cfis@brent.gov.uk)**

## **Why work in childcare?**

**All children should have the opportunity to learn and develop to the best of their abilities and a well qualified workforce is an essential part of enabling this to happen. By working in childcare, you could make a real difference to the lives of children in Brent.**

For children to grow into healthy, safe, secure and educationally confident people, they need well trained, caring, professional adults to support them and their families. Working with children is definitely rewarding. Children's natural curiosity, sense of wonder and enthusiasm for play and learning has a positive effect on the adults that work with them. Equally, children need adults who can bring the same enthusiasm to these play and learning experiences. You will need to be able to observe and record information on individual children's development and progress. Whether you consider working with preschool or school aged children in a childcare setting, you will work as part of a team to plan and provide play and educational activities to help the children in your care reach their full potential. You will work closely with parents, carers and other professionals to make sure that children receive the best possible start to their lives. Making a considered choice about your career is very important, especially when it comes to working with children. Before you go any further it is important to ask yourself 'Why do I want to work with children?'

More and more employers are looking to take on staff with recognised qualifications, and with most local colleges running child care courses you are never too far away from improving your career opportunities by taking a child care course. In recent years the UK government has been working to increase the number of practitioners with recognised qualifications and this is likely to continue into the future. By undertaking a recognised course you can ensure that your learning is recorded and can travel with you as you move roles in future.

Depending on your circumstances you could perhaps study part time whilst you work in a child care role or take a full time local college course.

During your training you will gain more work experience and learn the current best practices in child care and gain a nationally recognised qualification such as the new Early Years Educator Level 3 qualification.

There are many levels of qualifications that you could acquire, the one that's right for you depends on your experience and your career aims. For example if you are a school leaver and have little or no experience in childcare then an entry foundation course may be the right choice for you. On the other hand if you already have experience with child care you may be looking to gain a degree level qualification.

## **Where Could You Work?**

There are now many different types of childcare, early years and play environments to consider working in.

- Nurseries
- Pre-schools and playgroups
- Crèches
- Schools offering extended services
- Children's centres
- Child-minding
- Holiday play schemes

## Introduction - Why study a childcare qualification?

A qualification in childcare opens up the possibility of a number of interesting and challenging career paths.

If you are looking for a career that is rewarding, varied, interesting and at times challenging, then working with children could be for you. Whatever role or route you might choose, you can be certain that no two days will be the same. You will support children to explore, experience and develop an understanding of the world around them as they grow.

These career pages will:

- Provide answers to some of the questions that you may have about working with children
- Provide advice about gaining a qualification to work with children
- Describe the range of childcare jobs available
- Identify training and qualifications currently available in early years, childcare and play-work
- Demonstrate how these courses and qualifications relate to various jobs in the sector
- Identify career routes

The aim of these pages is to help you to make a decision about what interests you and to help you make informed choices about which jobs and qualifications may best suit your needs.

For the full list of qualifications relevant for delivering the Early Years Foundation Stage please see <http://www.education.gov.uk/eypqd/search/search.cfm>

### Where can I study?

There are eight main providers of childcare qualifications in and around Brent:

		CODE
• <b>Brent Early Years and Family Support</b>	<b>02089373270</b>	<b>Brent</b>
• <b>Brent Start</b>	<b>020 8937 3950/3940</b>	<b>START</b>
• <b>Barnet College</b>	<b>020 8266 4000</b>	<b>Barnet</b>
• <b>College of North West London</b>	<b>020 8208 5000</b>	<b>CNWL</b>
• <b>Ealing, Hammersmith &amp; West London College</b>	<b>0800 980 2175</b>	<b>EHWLC</b>
• <b>FCL College (Pitman Training)</b>	<b>020 8903 9580</b>	<b>FCL</b>
• <b>Harrow College</b>	<b>020 8909 6030</b>	<b>Harrow</b>
• <b>Kensington and Chelsea College</b>	<b>020 7573 5333</b>	<b>KCC</b>
• <b>Pacey</b>	<b>0300 003 0005</b>	<b>Pacey</b>
• <b>Stanmore College in Harrow</b>	<b>020 8420 7700</b>	<b>Stanmore</b>
• <b>The Childcare company – online courses</b>	<b>01753 596 004</b>	<b>online</b>

**Education and learning visit [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk).**

These providers host a variety of childcare qualifications, both full and part time, at various locations. If you are interested in finding out more about a particular course you should contact the college directly.

## Financial Support

If you are already in paid work in a Brent Private, Voluntary or Independent Setting you may be able to access partial funding from the Local Authority. Please contact Jane Stewart, Workforce Development and PVI Link Officer on [jane.stewart@brent.gov.uk](mailto:jane.stewart@brent.gov.uk) for further information.

### Help with your childcare costs

[Hmrc.gov.uk](http://Hmrc.gov.uk) – Information on the following areas can be found on the HMRC website [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk).

- [Tax credits: working out your childcare costs](#) Work out your eligible weekly childcare costs, when to report a change in costs.
- [Help with childcare costs](#) There are different kinds of help you can get with the cost of childcare – vouchers, tax credits, Sure Start, Discretionary Learner Support.
- [Learner Support helpline](#) Contact Learner Support for advice about help with childcare costs, accommodation.
- [Maternity & Child Benefit and Tax Credits](#)
- [Disability Living Allowance](#)
- [Disabled child element of child Tax Credit](#)

### Funding Support

**What help is available for full-time students with children.** If you are a full-time student with children you may qualify for extra financial help on top of the standard student finance package. Depending on your circumstances, you may be able to get Childcare Grant (to help with childcare costs), Parents' Learning Allowance (to help towards learning costs) .

For more information please contact: Helpline: 0800 121 8989 [www.gov.uk/grant](http://www.gov.uk/grant)

### Care to Learn (C2L)

If you are under 20, C2L can assist you with the costs of registered childcare, and travelling expenses to and from the childcare provider. If you are starting or continuing a course in September you can claim up to £175 a week towards the cost of Ofsted registered childcare.

Application forms are available from our Student Fund Administrators or you can call The Learner Support Helpline: **0800 121 8989** helpline: 0300 303 9610 Email: [C2L@efalearnersupport.co.uk](mailto:C2L@efalearnersupport.co.uk)

### How much will a course cost me?

Course fees depend on individual circumstances; you may be entitled to study a course without charge. You should contact course providers directly to find out what fees you may need to pay.

### Dependent on your circumstances you may also be entitled to free childcare

**Free Nursery Education Grant for 2 year olds**, Some families with a child aged 2 are eligible for 15 hours free nursery education grant on criteria such as being on Income Support, Job Seeker Allowance, an income related employment and support allowance, Child Tax Credit and have an annual income that does not exceed £16,190.00. SEN is considered. contact NEG2 team on 0208 937 2462. Email:

[NEG2@brent.gov.uk](mailto:NEG2@brent.gov.uk) [www.brent.gov.uk/neg](http://www.brent.gov.uk/neg)

**Nursery Education grant (NEG) for 3 and 4 year olds** is available for all three and four year olds. For further information contact Brent Children and Families Information Service on 020 8937 3001. Email [cfis@brent.gov.uk](mailto:cfis@brent.gov.uk).

## Childcare Qualifications

There are a range of relevant childcare qualifications offered through colleges and training providers. These courses can be full time, part time, day release or distance learning. Many of these qualifications can be studied while you work, where you can gain a qualification at your own pace and assessed on the experience you have.

Childcare qualifications are offered at different levels:

- **Introductory or Level 1** training courses are for people with little or no experience of working with children and want to explore childcare as a career option.
- **Level 2** training courses are for people working or on a placement in a childcare setting, under the supervision of another childcare worker. Practitioners with a Level 2 qualification will typically be working as a trainees, nursery assistants or play-worker.
- **Level 3** training courses are for people working in supervisory role in a childcare setting. Level 3 practitioners are people who work under their own initiative, plan and organise their own work and possibly supervise others. Practitioners with this qualification will typically work as key persons, deputies, supervisors and managers.
- **Level 4, 5 and 6** training courses or above are for experienced childcare workers, often in managerial positions, who wish to complete higher level training for their own career progression or according to their role. Roles such as deputies, supervisors, managers and Early Years Teachers.

Those people who complete a Foundation Degree, may then complete a further year's study to make it a full degree. They can then undertake further training to gain Early Years Teacher (EYT) Status

## Childcare Roles and qualifications

This list outlines a number of possible childcare roles and the qualifications associated with these roles

Childcare Role	Description	Qualifications and experience	Opportunities	College code
<b>Volunteer in childcare</b>	As a volunteer, working on a voluntary basis. (unpaid) basis.	No specific qualifications or training are required for this role.	After gaining experience in a childcare setting, you may then wish to apply for a paid childcare position.	Please contact the setting where you wish to volunteer.
<b>Student/trainee</b>	Similar to the Assistant/Play-worker role but as a trainee, training towards a qualification. Often a trainee role will involve some time away from the setting to attend training	Training towards either an early years qualification, often at Level 2. For more information please contact college or visit website	You may progress to an Assistant role. You may wish to complete a higher qualification, such as a Level 3, 4 or Foundation degree in Early Years or Play-work.	Harrow Stanmore Barnet Brent Start
<b>Childcare Apprentice</b>	Apprenticeship programmes are structured to give you skills and knowledge that you can use throughout your career. When working as an apprentice you will be in a paid role that provides you with <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training (sometimes in a classroom context)</li> <li>• Opportunities for you to learn in the workplace and embed your newfound knowledge into your day to day work activities</li> </ul>	Opportunities at Level 2 and Level 3	You may progress to an Assistant role. You may wish to complete a higher qualification, such as a Level 3 or 4	Harrow Stanmore
<b>Assistant in a Nursery, Playgroup Pre-School or crèche or Play-worker After School Club, Holiday, Play-scheme</b>	Assistants and Play-workers work as part of a team to provide high quality play and learning opportunities for children. Assistants complete a number of tasks in their role for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning activities taking into account the needs of children.</li> <li>• Liaising with parents, carers and other professionals</li> <li>• Recording observations</li> <li>• Providing safe, creative and appropriate play opportunities</li> <li>• Assisting children during meal times</li> </ul>	An early years qualification at Level 2 or above (accordingly to the setting type).  For more information please contact college or visit website	If you wish to progress to a managerial/supervisory or deputy role you may want to consider completing a higher qualification, such as a Level 3, 4 or Foundation degree in Early Years.  Working in a setting, you may wish to specialise in a career in play development or play therapy.	Barnet CNWL EHWLC FCL Harrow Stanmore Start

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<b>Key Person</b>	<p>Similar to the Assistant role but requiring more expertise, as you will be responsible for a group of children (including children with additional needs). For more information please contact the college.</p>	<p>An early years or play-work qualification at Level 2 or Level 3</p> <p>For more information please contact college or visit website</p>	<p>You may progress to a managerial/supervisory or deputy role. You may wish to complete a higher qualification, such as a Level 3, 4 or Foundation degree in Early Years or Play-work.</p> <p>Working in a play-work setting, you may wish to specialise in a career in play development or play therapy.</p>	<p>Barnet Brent Start Online CNWL EHWLC FCL</p>
<b>Manager / Supervisor</b>	<p>Managers/Supervisors are responsible for the day to day running of a setting. They manage staff and oversee the childcare and activities in the setting.</p> <p>Managers/Supervisors complete a number of tasks in their role, some of which are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating a caring and stimulating environment that promotes learning through play.</li> <li>• Running the setting in line with environmental and health and safety regulations</li> <li>• Supervising the planning of activities to meet the needs of children</li> <li>• Working closely with parents and carers, providing a high standard of customer service</li> </ul>	<p>An early years qualification at Level 3 or above (according to setting type).</p> <p>A minimum of 2 years experience in early years or Play-work</p> <p>For more information please contact college or visit website</p>	<p>You may wish to complete a higher qualification, such as a Foundation degree in Early Years or Play-work.</p> <p>You could become a childcare trainer or an NVQ Assessor with further training. Working in an early years setting, you could also work towards Early Years Professional Status.</p> <p>Working in a play-work setting, you may wish to specialise in a career in play development or play therapy. You may wish to set up your own childcare provision.</p>	<p>Barnet Brent Start Online CNWL EHWLC Stanmore Pacey</p>
<b>Early Years Teacher</b>	<p>A degree qualified and experienced early years practitioner working in a pre-school, playgroup, nursery, children's centre or as a child-minder. Leading on improving practice in the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS).</p> <p>EYTs complete a number of tasks in their role, some of which are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Changing, shaping and improving practice.</li> <li>• Modelling skills and behaviours that safeguard and promote good outcomes for children</li> <li>• Providing leadership that will support and mentor other staff</li> <li>• Leading the EYFS curriculum</li> </ul>	<p>Early Teacher Status Qualified at degree.</p> <p>Experience of working with children aged birth to 5.</p> <p>For more information please contact college or visit website</p>		<p>KCC Open university, Kingston University Stanmore</p>

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<b>Child-minding</b>	<p>Registered child-minders look after one or more children. Under the age of 8 for more than a total of 2 hours on domestic premises, normally their own home.</p> <p>Child-minders complete a number of tasks in their role, some of which are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All aspects of physical care of children including preparing and serving food, personal hygiene and administering first aid where appropriate.</li> <li>▪ Working closely with parents, carers and other professionals.</li> <li>▪ Planning activities for a range of children in their care.</li> <li>▪ Planning and recording children's learning and development within the requirements of the EYFS.</li> </ul>	<p>Award in preparing to work in home based childcare</p> <p>First Aid</p> <p>For more information please contact college or visit website</p>	<p>After completing the award, child-minders may wish to complete a full Level 3 qualification.</p> <p>Child-minders who have achieved a level 3 qualification may be able to work in childcare settings and with further training take on a senior or managerial role in the setting.</p> <p>Some child-minders employ an assistant or work with another child-minder in order to register to care for more than six children.</p>	<p>Brent Pacey online FCL</p>
<b>Home Childcare or Nannyng</b>	<p>Nannies provides childcare within the family's own home. Nannies are generally trained to provide care and educational development to children from birth to 8 years old.</p> <p>Nannies are responsible for all aspects of care and childcare, their duties may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bathing and dressing children.</li> <li>• Preparing food and feeding.</li> <li>• Changing nappies</li> <li>• Providing suitable age appropriate activities</li> <li>• Taking and collecting children from school/nursery or other activities</li> <li>• Informing parents and carers or keeping a record of children's progress.</li> </ul>	<p>No specific qualifications or training are essential for this role, unless you wish to join the Voluntary part of the Ofsted Childcare Register.</p> <p>For more information please contact college or visit website</p>	<p>Voluntary part of the Ofsted Childcare Register.</p> <p>Parent and carers can check if an employee is approved. Joining this register can mean:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• increased employability</li> <li>• recognised confirmation of childcare training</li> <li>• increased opportunity for employment with parents who may benefit from claiming tax benefits when using approved child carers.</li> </ul> <p>Consider completing an appropriate Level 3 qualification</p> <p>Experienced and qualified nannies may wish to develop roles into maternity and night Nannyng.</p> <p>You may also wish to move into a childcare setting.</p> <p>Possibly into senior or managerial roles with further training and experience.</p>	<p>Pacey online Stanmore</p>

### Early Years and Family Support Service contact details:

<b>Children &amp; Families Information Service</b>	Sasi Srinivasan 020 8937 3003  Marie Skyers 020 8937 3007  Madhi Bhadresa 020 8937 3005	Provides free information and advice on all aspects of childcare and activities for 0 - 19
<b>Childcare Development and business support Team</b>	Prem Basi 07506741501  Elizabeth Shack 07956463394  Bola George 07535648926	Assistance and support the development of good quality childcare provision by advising potential new providers, nurseries and child-minders, and existing providers on the issues they need to consider, including Ofsted registration, quality and sustainability.
<b>NEG &amp; Finance officer</b>	Raj Gohil 020 8937 3134	Assistance with all finance enquiries relating to the administration of the Nursery Education Grant funding including entry onto the Directory of Providers
<b>NEG2 Development Officer</b>	Kokila Patel 020 8937 2462	Assistance with all queries relating to Nursery Education Grant for two year olds offer
<b>Workforce Development &amp; PVI Link Officer</b>	Jane Stewart 020 8937 3270	Enquiries relating to training and workforce development

**Along with the Childcare Development Business Support Officers, our Quality Improvement Team also includes Advisory Teachers (who work to improve learning and development within settings) and the Early Years Inclusion Support Team who support the successful inclusion of children with addition needs.**

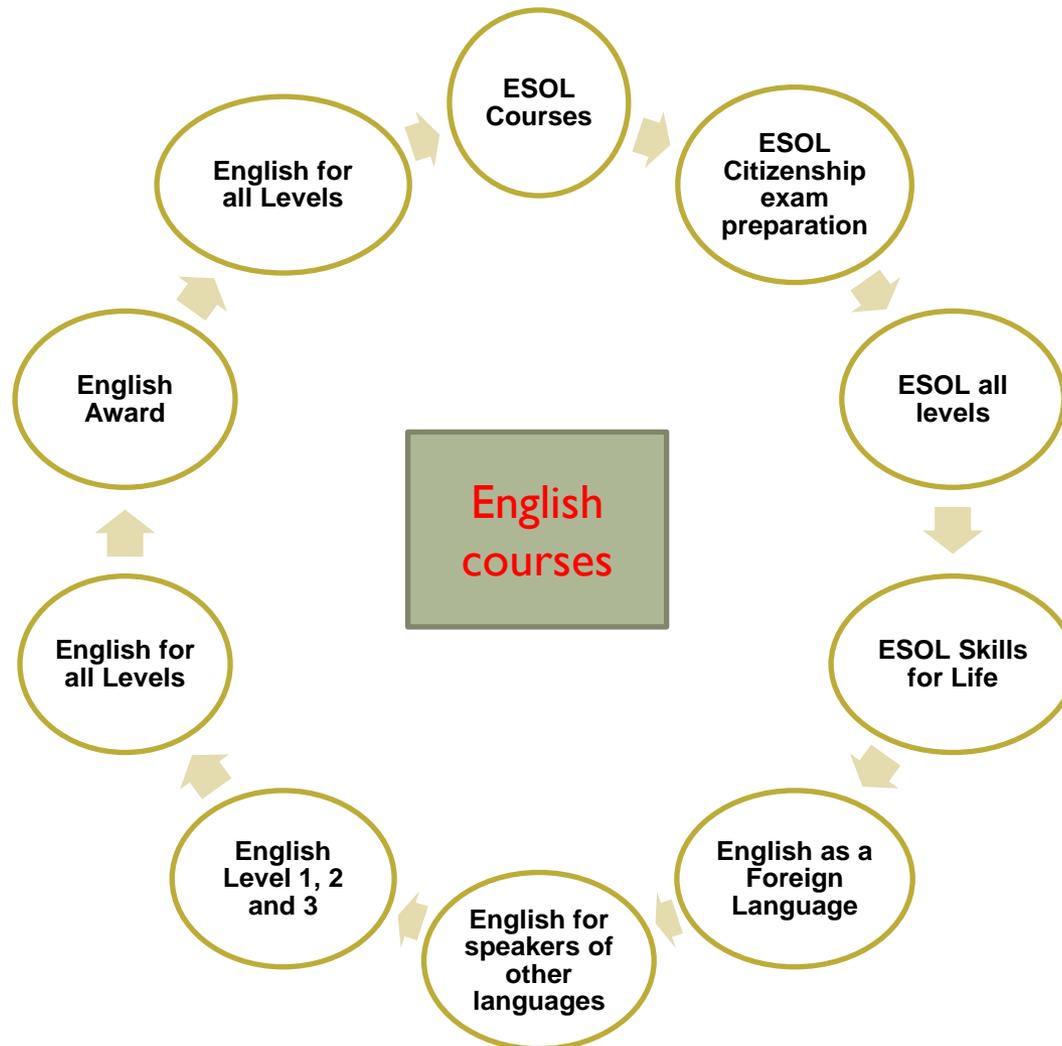
## Other helpful contact details:

<b>Department for Education – Publications</b> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.education.gov.uk">www.education.gov.uk</a>	Tel: 0370 000 2288	DfE publications and guides, e.g. Statutory guidance for local authorities on the delivery of the Nursery Education Grant
<b>OFSTED Early Years Directorate</b> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.ofsted.gov.uk">www.ofsted.gov.uk</a>	Tel: 0300 123 1231	Advice on Children Act registration Information on inspections Change of registration details
<b>Working Tax Credit Helpline</b> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.direct.gov.uk/taxcredits">www.direct.gov.uk/taxcredits</a>	Tel: 0345 300 3900	Responsibility to claim WTC rests with families, not Providers
<b>Pacey Professional Association for Childcare and Early Years</b> <b>Website:</b> <a href="mailto:info@pacey.org.uk">info@pacey.org.uk</a>	Tel: 0300 003 0005	PACEY is the Professional Association for Childcare and Early Years - a standard-setting organisation, promoting best practice and supporting childcare professionals to deliver high standards of care and learning.
<b>Family and Childcare Trust</b> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.childcare trust.org uk">www.childcare trust.org uk</a>	Tel: 0208 7940 7510	Family and Childcare Trust aims to make the UK a better place for families, through research, campaigning and information provision, and working with government, employers and parents to reduce pressures on family life.
<b>Pre-School Learning Alliance</b> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.pre-school.org.uk">www.pre-school.org.uk</a>	Tel: 020 7697 2500	The Pre-school Learning Alliance is the largest early years membership organisation and voluntary sector provider of quality affordable childcare and education in England. An educational charity, the Alliance represents the interests of over 14,000 member settings who deliver care and learning to over 800,000 families every year.
<b>Brent Active Citizens,</b> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://citizens.org.uk">citizens.org.uk</a>	Tel: 0208 9030055	Brent Active Citizens is committed to developing, supporting and promoting volunteering in the areas in and around Brent
<b>Job Centre Plus</b> <b>Website:</b> <a href="https://www.gov.uk/jobsearch">https://www.gov.uk/jobsearch</a>	Tel: 020 8258 3766	Jobcentre Plus is an executive agency of the Department for Work and Pensions of the government of the United Kingdom. The agency provides services primarily to those attempting to find employment and to those requiring the issuing of a financial provision.

## English courses

Whether you have a particular job in mind or are open to new possibilities, taking classes to learn English can be extremely beneficial. It can also be a useful tool in advancing your career. English classes are designed to help you gain the tools needed to be successful in your career whether you are reading, writing, speaking or listening.

For more information on below courses please contact the College directly. College codes: Barnet, Harrow, Barnet, FCL, Brent Start, CNWL, EHWLC, KCC, Stanmore or visit college websites.



## About the training providers

### **Brent Early Years and Family Support Service**

The service currently offers the accredited award for those who wish to work as childminders. We also run a range of accredited and non-accredited short courses for continuing professional development for those who work in early years settings in Brent. To access our online booking system email [jane.stewart@brent.gov.uk](mailto:jane.stewart@brent.gov.uk)

### **Brent Start, Stonebridge Centre, 1 Morland Gardens, NW10 8DY**

Brent Adult & Community Education Service (Brent Start) offer a range of childcare courses designed to provide skills for employment. **Additional Learning Support** - If you are a Brent resident, Brent Start can provide you with information and support to help you to make the right career decisions choose the learning opportunities which are right for you and progress in education and into employment. The service offers free, confidential, impartial and up-to-date advice. Call the guidance hotline on **020 8838 2882** or visit <http://www.brent.gov.uk/services-for-residents/employment,-training-and-skills/training-and-skills/> or search on the [www.brent.gov.uk](http://www.brent.gov.uk) website.

### **College of North West London, Dudden Hill Lane, NW10 2XD**

The college offers a number of different courses enabling you to work in schools and nurseries. All the courses offered are nationally recognised and are part of the government's new qualification framework. You will be taught by highly skilled staff with a wide range of experience in early years education and care. If you think you will find it difficult to study in English, the college also runs English tuition alongside your chosen programme of study.

**Advice and guidance** - The Course Information Centres based at the colleges can give you free advice about all aspects of your studies and can help you to choose your next step. You can talk to them about choosing the right course, career or training scheme. If you wish to apply to university or find a job, then they can help you at each stage of the process. They can also give you advice on how to finance your studies, travel and child care. The service is located at all three centres and you can drop in for advice.

**Flexible ways to study** - You can study during the day for one to five days a week, in the evenings, on Saturdays or by using one of our drop-in workshops. The length of your course can vary from 10 to 72 weeks – it depends on the level of study and your experience.

**Support for those with learning difficulties** - The college supports a range of learning difficulties and disabilities for example, physical disabilities, visual difficulties, mental health issues, Aspergers, dyslexia and medical issues. The College has trained staff to support you. Please contact Learning Support on 0208 208 5182 for further information.

**A diverse college** - The college respects the diverse cultural and religious traditions of all its students. To help those groups who require special provision the college will attempt to provide appropriate facilities. For further information please contact the college on **020 8208 5050** or visit [www.cnwl.ac.uk](http://www.cnwl.ac.uk).

**Pitman Training FCL College Ltd,**  
**Sive Kumar, Hazel House, 1-3 Lancelot Road, HA0 2AJ**

### **Who uses FCL TRAINING?**

There are no barriers to learning new skills: People looking to create their own career opportunities by achieving pitman Diplomas in their chose subjects School and University leavers and family having to return to work.

For further information please contact Pitman Training on **020 8903 9580** [www.pitman-training.com/wembley](http://www.pitman-training.com/wembley)

### **Barnet College, Graseby House,**

High Street, Barnet, EN5 5UJ (opposite police station)

At Barnet College you can choose from a wide range of qualifications from foundation to advanced and even through to higher education. It is important to make the right choices. If you need help choosing your course, you can arrange personal guidance.

### **Additional Learning Support**

If you have a disability or learning difficulty, or need to improve your basic skills, you may need additional support to succeed. Our staff in the learning support team can discuss what extra help may be available for you.

### **English for speakers of other languages**

The college offers range of full time and part time English language courses form beginners to advanced level students.

### **Childcare and Early Years Education**

Barnet College offers a wide range of courses that are suited to learners wishing to work in childcare and the development children's skills and education.

It is important for you to think carefully and realistically about why you want a career in this difficult but rewarding area. You will require satisfactory interviews and reference. You must also provide a Health and Criminal Records Bureau check.

The College childcare courses will prepare you for general employment in a variety of childcare and education settings.

For further information please contact the College on **0208 266 4000** or visit [www.barnet.ac.uk](http://www.barnet.ac.uk).

### **Ealing, Hammersmith and West London College,**

Gliddon Road, Barons Court, W14 9BL

### **Advice and guidance**

Advice and guidance is available on course choices at information centres located at each of their four college sites.

There is a drop-in service to assist you with your enquiries.

### **Care and Early Years**

The college develops students' academic and professional skills within their chosen area, be it health care or early years.

The Care and Early Years Department offers a range of academic and vocational qualifications that will provide you with the necessary skills to begin work or to progress within the health and care industry.

### **Additional Learning Support**

The college offers extra support in order to help you learn and achieve your chosen qualification. For further information please contact the College on **0800 034 0384** or visit [www.wlc.ac.uk](http://www.wlc.ac.uk)

### **Harrow College**

Harrow Weald Campus, Brookshill, Harrow Weald, Middlesex, HA3 6RR

#### **Careers and Higher Education Advice**

At Harrow College all students have access to the Careers Department for help and specialist advice.

#### **Supported Learning**

The College has a very positive attitude to students who need support. Their Learning Support Team offers help to students with learning difficulties, physical disabilities, literacy/numeracy problems, or medical problems. They also offer support if English is your second or other language.

For further information please contact the College on **0208 909 6100** or visit [www.harrow.ac.uk](http://www.harrow.ac.uk).

### **Kensington and Chelsea College**

Hortensia Centre, Hortensia Road, SW10 0QS

Wide range of courses at several locations, some of which are close to the Brent borders.

**Support for those with learning difficulties** The college has a range of resources to support you in your studies, including staff (support worker etc), facilities electronic note taking audio equipment, scanners) and building facilities.

For further information please contact the College on **020 7573 5333** or visit [www.kcc.ac.uk](http://www.kcc.ac.uk) .

### **Stanmore Adult College**

Elm Park, Stanmore, Middlesex, HA7 4BQ

West London Early Years Centre of Vocational Excellence at Stanmore College provides a wide range of training for your career in the Early Years and Care sectors.

**Advice and guidance** - Some courses require an initial assessment to make sure you are enrolling on the right course at the right level. This is a simple on-screen or paper-based exercise which takes about 20 minutes and is designed to check levels of English and/or numeracy. These initial assessments can be done on the above dates. Following this you will be given advice and guidance about which course is appropriate for you.

To comply with the Children Act 1989, a satisfactory Police Report will be required for all work placements. If you do not have a current police check, you can apply for one from the College for £40. A criminal record will not necessarily be a bar to obtaining a place on an Early Years course. Our policy on the recruitment of ex-offenders can be viewed upon request.

**Supported Learning** - For learning support speak to the college directly.

If you want to improve your English language skills, take a look at our ESOL courses.

For further information please contact the College on **0208 420 7700** or visit [www.stanmore.ac.uk](http://www.stanmore.ac.uk).

### **Pacey**

Do you want to train as a childcare professional? Perhaps you're qualified and want to continue your professional development? Check out the wide-range of training opportunities below and be inspired to develop your knowledge and skills through PACEY 0300 003 0005 [info@pacey.org.uk](mailto:info@pacey.org.uk)

**Online training** Course content incorporates the EYFS and is delivered online. Providers include:

**The Childcare Company** [www.thechildcarecompany.com](http://www.thechildcarecompany.com) Tel: 01753 596 004

**The London College of Professional Training Limited** [www.hmrc.gov.uk](http://www.hmrc.gov.uk) Tel: 203 239 0574