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Welcome

Early Years Providers Meeting &
Ofsted Big Conversation (OBC)

Meeting no 3 Plymouth,

September 2019

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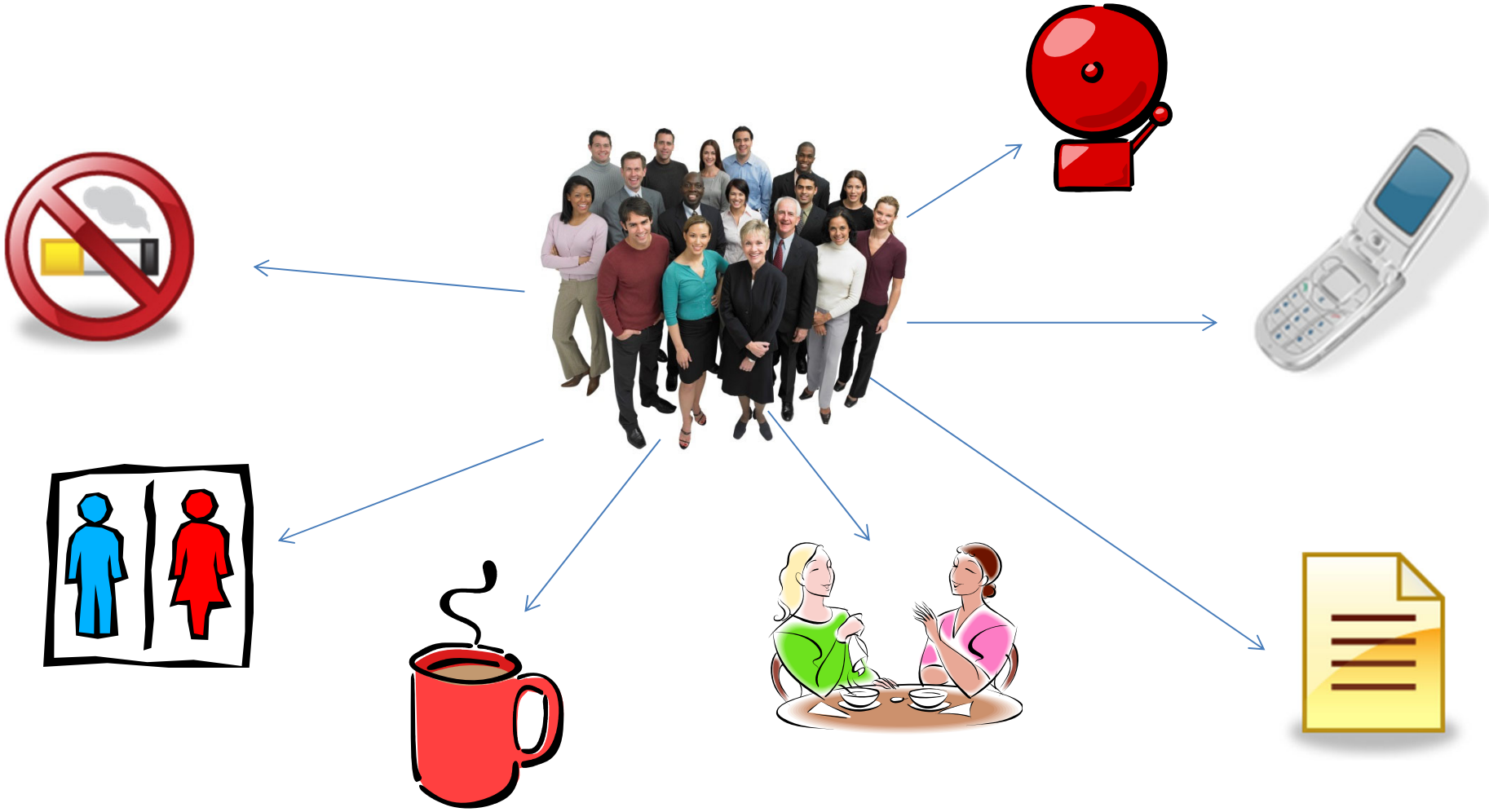

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Cheryl Hadland, Managing Director
Jane Burchall, SW Early Years HMI,
Plymouth and Devon CC

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Introduction to OBC

- Voluntary organisation – self funding
- Communication forum
- Share areas of concern, help each other
- Ofsted updates, direction, dispel myths
- Other OBCs – one evening to one day, CPD certificates, Committee run
- Area Chairs have meetings in London

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Agenda

- Introduction
- Ofsted update, Q&A.
- Local Authority update
- APPG update
- In the news – Spending review & launch of IE
- EY “Standards” &Training Update
- Nappies
- Next meeting?

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In the absence of Jane Burchall, due to bereavement, we discussed the new framework as follows:

- Intent,
- Implementation
- Impact,
- Cultural Capital

"Inspectors will make a judgement on the Quality of Education by evaluating the extent to which the 3 Is are addressed"

Attendees discussed the following in small groups and fed back the following points.

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Intent

- Planning – what are they aiming for?
  - interests,
  - next steps,
  - EYFS/ELGs. for all children
- Activities should have clear aims – what, why, intentions and provocations.
- We shared document called the *Education Inspection Framework, May 2019, Ref. no 190015* – although it seemed more relevant for older students, it does apply for registered Early Years settings in England. Is there another one?

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Implementation

- Teaching – how, resources, why, reflection, evaluation.
- Early Years settings concerned that every member of staff will be inspected as a teacher, even though paid as an Unqualified or Apprentice or Level 2, compared to schools where all staff are teachers or teaching assistants.
- Early Years settings are operating on a higher ratio – will they suffer on inspection even if impact is actually better?

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Impact

- Recorded via observations, cohorts, GLDs,
- Tracked on progress towards ELGs, EAL, full learning journeys, behaviour, happy, comfortable, using apps such as family, eyLog/Eyman, tapestry will help inform the cycle
- Early Years expecting Ofsted to only ask to see these, if impact not working out.
- SEND is a huge issue as inspectors being critical of children being off roled to better serve their tolerance of group activities, when it is necessary to protect all children and maximise development – do the inspectors understand this?

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Impact

- Very concerned that schools are well-behind environments and support of SEND compared to Early Years – the new online training scheme launched in Westminster provides training for school teachers. This training is at a level below what we are providing for our Level 2s.
- Local Authorities increasing the expectations of the Early Years sector despite reduced funding, and expecting us to compensate for their lack of funding by increasing teaching delivery – it is not fair and it is time we pushed back, to be allowed to do what we are paid to do, and not their job as well.

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Cultural Capital

- Rich, real life experiences such as out and about, gardening, visiting churches, residential homes, exhibitions
- Researching and teaching, building on knowledge
- Hegemony – cultural leadership, based on Pierre Bourdieu, resources that support cultural, therefore educational, therefore economic success to reduce the gap between those with the opportunities and those without.
- Refer to John Siraj-Blatchford "*Sustainable Development*" teaching in the Early Years.

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Issues for Ofsted

- Independent Schools DBS checks v Ofsted – differences?
- EY2 forms – inadequacies of committee process impacting on Inspection results, process not adequate for committee to complete.
- Attitude to off-rolling.

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Local Authority Update

PLYMOUTH CITY COUNCIL

Devon County Council

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APPG

Next meeting 28 Oct 2019

BREXIT ☹

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Luke Pollard MP

- Labour
- Plymouth, Sutton and Devonport
- Shadow Minister (Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) (Fisheries, Flooding and Water) since Jun 2017
- Recent news: Secured £500k for Plymouth
- Weekly Facebook Live Q&A #AskLuke and monthly meetings with the community #MeetLuke

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Johnny Mercer MP

- Conservative
- Plymouth, Moor View
- Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State (jointly with the Ministry of Defence) since 7/19
- Recent news: Progress on campaign to improve housing provision in Barne Barton

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Sir Gary Streeter MP

- Conservative
- South West Devon
- Post-Shadow Minister (Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) (ended Jun 2004)
- Recent news: Gary welcomes £14billion cash boost for schools
- Holds regular advice surgeries; call 01752 335666 to book an appointment

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Kevin Foster MP

- Conservative
- Torbay
- Parliamentary Under-Secretary (Wales Office) since Apr 2019
- Recent news: Torbay set for share of £3.6bn Towns Fund

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In the News

Spending Review 2019

"Early Years to receive an extra £66million."

- An extra 1.88% against an inflation rate of 2.48% (2018)
- Funding levels have been frozen for 2 years (& before!)
- In 4/2020, 5% increase in minimum wage
- Current typical wage for an EY room manager is £19k

Other educational sectors:

- 4.7% increase for f/t 16-17 year olds with special needs.
- Teachers minimum wage to be increased to £30,000

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In the News

Westminster launch of *Inclusion Expert*

"A successful formula for real, measurable change in staff performance and children's progress."

- EYFS National Research Initiative launched at Houses of Parliament 6th Sept 2019.
- Aim is to include schools and settings across England to carry out largest EYFS research drive ever.
- Impact of training to be measured and results to be published for national circulation.
- Sign up closes 1st October 2019.

inclusion expert

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In the News

- EY “Standards” L3 have started Sept 2019

- Some EU funded short courses: see leaflets from Aspire

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Sustainability

- Real Nappies – BioWash and laundry update

- Small wet bag loans – sample for parents to borrow. Less intimidating than a whole hamper.

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More Information

www.eyalliance.org.uk

www.ndna.org.uk

www.gov.uk/VOA

www.thebigofstedconversation.co.uk

www.OECD.org

www.GECCO.org.uk

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Facebook Pages & Groups

- GECCO
- GECCO Real Nappies page & group
- Childminding Chat and Activities
- Day nursery owners
- Champaign Nurseries on Lemonade Funding
- Nursery Management Today
- Potty Training Academy
- Secondhand Early Years resources
- Early Years Matters

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For discussion next time:

- Mental Health
- Well being
- WRAP

Date of next meeting – March 2020

Only 2 per year – March/September