



SEYT Blog

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Dear all,

What a long half term this has been! Here are a few reminders and information along with the popular 'Top Tips and Clips' section.

SEYT Webpage

The Blogs are now available on our webpage <https://gov.gg/seyt> under Information for Preschools and Day Nurseries. Please remember to check our webpage for the most up to date information regarding training. Also, should any of your staff wish to be added to the Blog list, please ask them to email the SEYT.

SENCo Network

This term's SENCo Network is taking place straight after half term on **6th November**, please remember that if the named SENCo is unable to attend, please send a representative. A reminder will not be sent as it is assumed that all providers will send their SENCo/representative.

PSEF

Just a gentle reminder for those of you who have not yet sent in your Actual Autumn figures in to please do so **asap**. The deadline was **19th October**. There are also a few providers that still need to confirm their figures from the Summer term, therefore their payment is outstanding!

Assisted Funded Places

Another reminder to please email us your invoices for any children who are claiming their assisted funded places asap.

Data Protection

Attached is a guide we have produced to support your understand of the new GDPR process and what areas you will need to consider as an Early Years provider. As stated in the guide, please remember to register with the Office of the Data Protection Commissioner if you have not done so already. This is an annual process and you will be reminded by them when you need to re-register.

Guernsey Vetting Bureau

Please remember to book your places with the GVB to enable your setting to complete police checks for new members of staff. There are training sessions available in November



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and December – please contact the GVB on gvb@guernsey.pnn.police.uk or 01481 741475 / 741422. Please be aware that the **SEYT will not be processing Police checks** on behalf of the providers after 31st December 2018. Also, it might be worth looking into the online service for your members of staff - 80% of disclosures are returned from the DBS in 10 days of less using this method.

The Lost Words

Following on from our Lost Words Workshop at the beginnings of term, the Guille-Alles Library are holding **The Lost Words Nature Walk** on **Monday 29th October** 2-4pm Le Guet, please visit <https://www.library.gg/events/event/lost-words-nature-walk> for more information. An update on the Language and Communication activities will be sent after half term on The Lost Words from the SEYT.

Top Tips and Clips – From Di Thorogood

Autumn ideas

- Blackberry Play dough! – Use regular playdough recipe, but encourage children to help to cut up some blackberries and add to dough for an extra autumnal treat
- Conker rolling – Add to your loose parts play, to promote 'estimating', counting, timing into a fun activity – All by rolling conkers down guttering ! Great Fun
- Making Fir cone birds – Add tissue wings, googly eyes, folded card beaks – then add them to the small world areas to promote communication and language about the natural world around them
- 'Stanley the Stick' Story is fab – Children love to use sticks and to create an object from one, engages such interest. Model making a 'Stick vehicle' – 'Stick person' and again use in the small world to promote story telling
- A walk around the reservoir or Guet at this time of year, to observe the changing seasons, it always promotes lots of language and interest in the world around them

Enjoy the Autumn and let's hope the sun continues to shine and if it doesn't wrap up in Welly boots, warm clothes and enjoy!

Wishing you all a lovely half term and a well-deserved break!