

Feedback from Partners

Autumn Term 2015 – Harestock Primary School, Winchester

Course: Accredited School Ready Literacy Through Music

Tutor: Lois Johnson

Partner contact: Lauren Saunders Year R Teacher

“This course was fantastic. I was really impressed with the uptake from parents and commitment to home tasks and completing paperwork. The children came back every week with huge smiles on their faces, all excited to show me what they had made. And each week on a Thursday they would ask when Boogie Mites would be in the day! Since the course has finished I have noticed a positive effect in the children’s confidence levels and communication in class, to their peers and adults. The children are more willing to join in with singing activities and speak in front of the class to share ideas and achievements.”

Autumn Term 2015 – Haslebridge Children’s Centre, Gosport

Course: Boogie Mites Minis

Tutor: Michelle Sandford

Partner contact: Nicole Brown Action For Children

“Over the course the children became more attentive and concentrated for longer periods of time in participating in the singing and associated activities. By the end the children were able to anticipate some of the songs and activities. Most of the children also participated in the actions accompanying the songs. One child in particular who is under assessment for possible autistic spectrum disorder, was engaged in the singing and showed progression. Another very young baby became more active throughout the course and showed his enjoyment in kicking his legs to the music and watching the other children participate.

The parents were all keen to participate in both the singing and the activities. They all completed the evaluations and were able to identify their children’s learning and development throughout the course. Some of the parents registered to start PEEP courses in January- FSOW”

Spring Term 2016 – Redbarn Pre-school, Fareham

Course: School Ready Transition

Tutor: Bella Wardale

Partner contact: Toni Harrison, Pre-school Manager

“The parents and children have enjoyed the course, children have talked about it a lot at home and within pre-school. They are very excited each week to attend. Parents have reported that their children are singing more at home and wanting to do more music and craft activities.

In the setting I have noticed that some of the least confident children are gaining more confidence in communicating and initiating conversations.

Bella was great! Kept me up to date with info. I had lots of contact from Boogie Mites before the sessions started to explain the sessions and what was expected from parents, this made it easier to explain to parents their involvement and the level of commitment needed each week.

We would love to work with Boogie Mites again in the future as we have seen such enthusiasm from the children and it is a great way to get parents involved in their children’s learning. We also love it as a staff team and we can take it in turns to attend and support. Keep up the great work!”

Summer 2016 – Cadland Children’s Centre, New Forest

Course: Baby Boogie Mites

Tutor: Liv Mclennon

Partner contact: Martin Davies, Action For Children

“Of the parents I have spoken to in passing before and after the Boogie Mites sessions here at the centre, all seemed to really enjoy the course. Such is the nature of the groups we run here, retention rates are often difficult to manage, however Boogie Mites has been a really popular group, with excellent attendance, particularly within the age range it has catered for.

Based on discussions with parents I believe a relaxed and positive atmosphere has allowed them to enjoy a group which covers a really important area of learning for them and their children.

The course has been very successful. Many thanks for your support.”

Park Families Children’s Centre Havant

6 courses run at the Centre during 2015-16

Feedback from Alison Henry, Centre Manager

“Boogie Mites Family Learning courses have benefited local parents and their children in so many ways over many years. Introducing children to singing and dancing with their parents, and being able to continue what has happened during the session, at home thanks to the free CD.

Parents have commented that their children have become more sociable (and I have noticed a few parents change in that way too!). Comments from parents also state that their child/ren are learning to listen to them and respond through the music. Parents also become more engaged in other Centre activities.

Overall very entertaining, educational and immensely enjoyed by all who attend.

Park Families Ltd is very happy to work in partnership with Boogie Mites through the Family Learning contract. Its friendly and helpful staff put parents at ease. The tutors share the outcomes of the session and discuss concerns with me as required. Great partnership, long may it continue!”
