

An Introduction to **EARLY YEARS EDUCATION & CARE**  *CACHE DIPLOMA* LEVEL 2 & 3

# Entry Requirements:

You are required to achieve both GCSE English and Maths at Grade 4 or above upon completing the course to ensure you achieve a licence to practise as an Early Years Educator and to be counted in the staff to child ratios at Level 3. Moreover, all learners will be interviewed and individual experience and commitment will be taken into consideration. You should understand that the demands of the Diploma are high, therefore you must be aware that a sensible and mature attitude to both professional practice and study must be applied.

## LEVEL 2

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Learners must be at least 16 years old. Ideally learners should have at least a Grade 3 in English.

# To gain this qualification the learner will need to achieve all 16 internal unit assignments. In addition

you will need to display professional competence in the work place by completing a recommended 250 placement hours as well as reflecting on those practical skills and completing a portfolio of professional practice reflective outcomes.

#### What can I do on achievement of the course?

This qualification allows progression onto the Cache Level 3 Early Years Educator. In addition the learner has opportunities for employment as a child care assistant in a range of child care is settings. The CACHE Diploma Early Years Educator offers you the opportunity to gain a Level 3 qualification in Early Years practice. The course provides you with the knowledge and understanding of child development and education necessary for working with children in a variety of job roles and settings. It also provides you with a licence to practice as an Early Years Educator.

#### This could include:

- Work as an Early Years Educator, either as an assistant or a manager, in a number of Early Years settings.
- You can enter university to study to become a
  Primary School Early Years teacher.
- Work as a nanny or child care representative, abroad or on board cruise ships.

# What will I do?

The Level 3 Diploma is a two year full time course. The course structure is a week in college and a week in placement. Placements include Nurseries, Pre-school and Primary Schools.

The qualification is divided into three stages, therefore you can learn in bite-sized chunks and receive acknowledgement of your success as you go.

#### AWARD AT LEVEL 3

You must achieve 2 mandatory units.

#### **CERTIFICATE AT LEVEL 3**

You must complete 8 mandatory units and a reflective study which is externally set and marked.

## **DIPLOMA AT LEVEL 3**

You must complete 15 mandatory units. You must also complete a reflective study and one extended essay which is externally set and marked.

You will also have the opportunity to gain further qualifications such as:

- Paediatric first aid
- Basic food hygiene
- Makaton basic signing
- Forest school training

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