

Bay Childminding Network

Is linked to the 10 Children Centres in the Lancaster, Morecambe, Carnforth, Heysham etc and rural areas of North Lancashire.

We are an Approved and Accredited

Children Come First Network

sponsored by Lancashire County Council



Interested? Want to know more?

Please contact us and we would be happy to give you more information about the current programme of events and activities.

We are happy to tell you how to join the network and can offer to come and talk to you whenever it is convenient.

You will receive on-going support and training opportunities with other local network childminders of the Bay Childminding Network, the first accredited childminding network in Lancashire.



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Benefits of being in a Childminding Network

As a childminder on the network you will receive the support you need including:

- *Network with other childminders at meetings and events*
- *Regular one-to-one support during visits from your network co-ordinator*
- *Training opportunities*
- *Help such as toy and equipment libraries*
- *Advice and information*
- *Help to fill vacancies*



Other benefits include

- *Can easily show parents the high standards of your care*
- *Have the chance to develop your career and become an accredited childminder – this means you are able to provide early education for 3 & 4 year old children and their parents can receive the nursery education grant “vouchers”*
- *Receive peer support from other network childminders*
- *Help with contracts, bookkeeping, record keeping etc*
- *Opportunity to offer ‘Community’ childcare places to support children with SEN, disabilities or additional needs*



What happens if I join

- *There are regular network meetings with guest speakers where you can meet like minded childminders*
- *Training available locally and at convenient times*
- *At network meetings toys, festival bags, multicultural resources including jigsaws, dolls, dressing up clothes for both dolls and children are available to be borrowed*
- *Come and play sessions with other network childminders and the children they care for e.g. music and messy play sessions etc..*