

Leading Play Pedagogy Course

Championing High-Quality Play



"High-quality play doesn't happen by accident, it needs expert leadership. A lead educator models great practice, supports professional growth, ensures consistency, and keeps play central to how we plan, teach, and learn together."

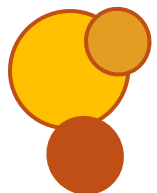
Our new course

- provides a clear vision for what high-quality play looks like and how it connects to learning.
- mentor's others, shares strategies, and helps everyone grow their practice.
- guides the approach, to ensure play experiences are more consistent
- encourages reflection, helping the team observe, question, and refine their play environments and interactions to continually improve outcomes
- The Bigger Picture – Pedagogy defined
- The Child; Values; Theories; Methods and Techniques;
- The Environment and Emotional, Mental and Physical Wellbeing
- Leading Each Child to Learn
- A Purposeful Play Pedagogy



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Course Structure

Our sessional training course is thoughtfully designed to offer the *perfect balance* of **in-person connection** and **online flexibility**, giving educators an inspiring, practical, and supportive learning journey.

In-Person Sessions:

We begin with dynamic face-to-face workshops where ideas come alive through collaboration, hands-on experiences, and real-world case studies. These sessions build community, spark professional conversations, and lay a strong foundation for transformational leadership in play-based learning.



Online Learning:

Between in-person workshops, participants dive into rich, interactive online bite-sized videos, practical reflection tasks and leadership challenges, all accessible anytime, anywhere. The online components are designed to keep the momentum going, allowing leaders to immediately apply new strategies in their settings.



Each Cohort will be for just 10 educators.

We feel a small group creates a more supportive environment to allow educators to feel comfortable sharing experiences, asking questions, and reflecting honestly on their leadership journey.

We can tailor discussions, feedback, and support, ensuring everyone has a voice and maximum impact.

Educators are likely to be more active, involved, and able to dive deeper into ideas. Small cohorts naturally form close-knit communities of practice. Educators get more hands-on practice, real-time coaching, and direct application of new leadership strategies. We can adapt sessions to the group's energy, needs, and interests.

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- Core Strengths
- Pedagogical Attitude, Approach and Action
- Pedagogical Philosophy
- The Child, the Context and Curriculum
- A Contemporary Mix
- The Golden Threads of Learning

Course Tutor



Marie has worked in the field of early childhood for more than 25 years. She is an inspiring and motivational presenter for early years training and continuous professional development.

Guest Speakers



**Dr June
OSullivan,
MBE**



**Alice
Sharp**



**Professor
Moyra
Boland**

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How to Book or Note Interest

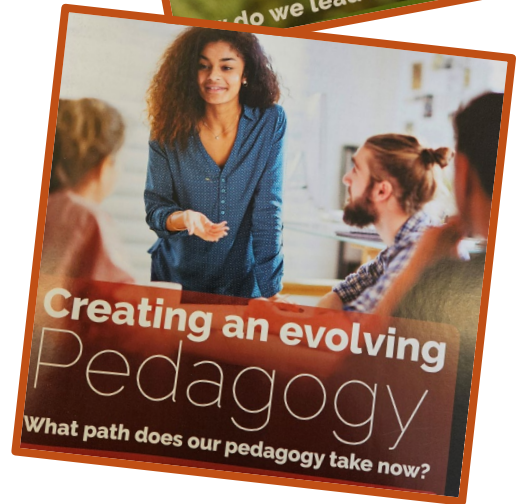
Email us at info@alicesharp.co.uk

Or

Call us on 0141 557 1666

Or

Call Alice on 07904647648



There will be eight in person sessions.

Provisional dates are all Mondays

26th Jan, 16th Feb, 9th March, 30th March,
20th April, 11th May, 1st June, 22nd June.

In Glasgow from 6pm til 9pm.

**Only £600
plus VAT**

Also included in the cost are

- 12 hours of films (Alice Sharp, June OSullivan, Moyra Boland, Anne Paterson)
- 6 Magazines bursting with theory, thinking, practice case studies and examples
- 50 Practice Change Cards

