

**Working with Children  
A Guide to Qualifications  
Training & Career Opportunities**

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# A Guide to Qualifications, Training and Career Opportunities in Early Years Education, Childcare and Playwork

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## **INTRODUCTION**

This guide will provide you with some of the initial answers to questions about gaining a qualification or working in early years education, childcare or playwork. It may help you make a more informed choice about which job role or qualification you are most interested in. The guide highlights the main qualifications that are available. If however you are in any doubt or need further information on courses or advice contact one of the Training Organisations on Page 23 or Local Childcare Training Course providers on Page 16-19. Wrexham Family Information Service's Training Officer may also be able to give you guidance.

## **I WOULD LOVE TO WORK WITH CHILDREN**

There has never been a better time to think about a career in early years education, childcare and playwork. The demand for staff in childcare has increased. The overall number of registered childcare places for children under 8 in Wales has increased by almost 18,500 between March 1999 and March 2005 with a resultant increase in the demand for childcare workers. The introduction of the Foundation Phase in Wales has created opportunities for classroom assistants.

In addition the Childcare Act 2006 which came into place in April 2008 places a duty on local authorities to secure sufficient childcare for working parents. New out of school clubs are currently being developed to meet the needs of parents in Wrexham County Borough.

Working in the childcare sector can provide a flexible career path. For people already working with children or those just starting off, it is possible to build qualifications as you go. There are nationally recognised qualifications available from assistant through to management level (see the simple guide to qualifications and career opportunities starting on page 3).

Clear career progression routes are available, even if you have limited or no formal qualifications, supervisory level can be reached within 3 years. From April 2008, all senior staff and those in charge of a group of children will have to be trained to Level 3 or above, and 50% of all other people working in the sector will require a minimum of a Level 2 qualification. People new to Childminding will have to complete the Unit One – Introduction to Childcare Practice (home-based) course. This can eventually lead to a Level 3 Diploma in Home-based Childcare. Now is the time to start training. Professional development can also link into related fields such as teaching or social work.

Working with children is demanding but very rewarding. This career path is open to all ages from school leavers to people returning to work and also starting their own business. It is necessary for anyone working with children from the age of 0-18 to undergo a police check. This will be either part of a registration process or undertaken by the employer (contact Care and Social Services Inspectorate Wales – see Local Contacts and Information Page 25).

# **A SIMPLE GUIDE TO QUALIFICATIONS AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

There are different ways of gaining qualifications – at a college, in the workplace, distance learning / lifelong learning centres and Modern Apprenticeships / National Traineeships. All qualifications for childcare workers are listed on the National Qualifications Framework ([www.cgymru.org.uk](http://www.cgymru.org.uk))

## **AT A COLLEGE**

CACHE COURSES available in College with work placements in nurseries/playgroups etc.

### **CERTIFICATE IN CHILDCARE AND EDUCATION LEVEL 2**

This is a one year full-time course which provides the underpinning knowledge and practical training for childcare and educational practitioners who work with children and their families in a wide range of settings, including childminding, playgroups, crèches and day nurseries. The course length is one year.

- Yale College Wrexham
- Deeside College
- Walford and North Shropshire College

### **DIPLOMA IN CHILDCARE AND EDUCATION LEVEL 3**

This is a two-year full time course which will prepare you for work within the early years sector e.g. in playgroups, day nurseries, schools, health settings and special needs establishments. You will study a range of topics including learning and play in the early years, childcare practice, child protection and safety, human growth and development, child health, special needs and specialist communication skills.

## **CHILDCARE AND EDUCATION DIPLOMA LEVEL 3**

(also available through the medium of Welsh)

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

The minimum entry requirements are 4 GCSEs at Grade C, one of which must be English or Welsh. Requirements may be waived for mature students.

### **FEES**

Full time students do not pay fees.

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Employment is available in LEA nurseries, schools, health service, playwork and care settings, special needs units, the travel industries and with private families who require nannies. Successful completion of the Diploma could lead to further professional training and HE such as a Foundation Degree in Early Years, teaching, nursing or an Early Years Honours degree.

- Yale College Wrexham
- Deeside College

### **FOUNDATION DEGREES**

Glyndwr University offer a choice of three foundation degrees for childcare workers – Early Childhood Care and Education, Learning Support, The Learning and Development of Babies and Young Children. These part time courses build on students existing early years experience and understanding of childcare, gained from the workplace and childcare qualifications. Completion of a Foundation degree can be used to progress to the final year of an honours degree course.

Details of course fees and entry requirements are obtainable from Admissions in Glyndwr University / Yale College

- Glyndwr University / Yale College

## **B.A. HONOURS DEGREE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD STUDIES**

3 year full time course or 6 year part time course. This course links with the Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies delivered at Glyndwr University in Wrexham which allows entry to Level 3 of the BA honours programme. There are two routes Education and Childhood Studies and Families and Childhood Studies.

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

The academic requirements for the honours degree are for at least 200 points at A level or Level 3 (NVQ/SNVQ) vocationally related qualification, including GNVQ (Advanced) with merit and CCESS Course Diploma. A work placement is also required for this course.

### **FEES**

For details of fees please contact Glyndwr University on 01978 293439. You may also find it useful to contact Student Finance Wales [www.studentfinance.wales.co.uk](http://www.studentfinance.wales.co.uk), 0845 602 8845

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Career opportunities exist in a variety of employment sectors including childcare, education, health and social care. There are also opportunities to enter the teaching profession on the completion of a one-year teacher training programme (providing you have GCSE level C or above in English, Mathematics and Double Science).

- Glyndwr University

## **BA (HONS) PLAY AND PLAYWORK STUDIES**

3 year full time course or 6 year part time. The programme has been developed to meet the needs of employers and practitioners in this rapidly evolving area in the children's workforce sector. The programme gives a broad and practical knowledge of children's play.

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

This award is designed for those currently working in the sector. Suitable applicants will be invited for interview to ascertain the extent of their experience of working with young children and of their suitability to benefit from this programme.

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduating from this programme opens up opportunities to work and progress in a career in youth work, community work and child care.

- Glyndwr University

## **INTRODUCTION TO CHILDCARE PRACTICE (HOME-BASED)**

This course is an ideal stand-alone training course for practitioners who are new to home based childcare / undertaking childminder registration or wishing to gain approved home-based childcarer status.

### **FEES AND VENUES**

For details of fees and venues please contact the NCMA on 08458 801316

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Childminding offers a good opportunity to start a new business venture. Start up grants are available for newly registering childminders from the Childcare Funding Officer at the Wrexham Family Information Service (01978 298343 / 292094). Nannies and anyone who wishes to work in the family home require a Level 2 Qualification to become an approved childcare worker.

## **IN THE WORKPLACE**

### **QCF DIPLOMA IN CHILDREN'S CARE LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

QCF qualifications are designed for individuals already working in the field of childcare. QCF assess performance in the workplace as well as knowledge.

### **QCF DIPLOMA IN CHILDREN'S CARE LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT LEVEL 2**

(Children aged 0-19 years)

You can complete this qualification if you are working under supervision directly with children, young people and families.

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

No formal qualifications are necessary. Candidates will need to be working with children in a paid or voluntary position.

### **FEES**

Please contact individual colleges for details of fees applicable.

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Supervised roles include Nursery Assistant, Playgroup Assistant, crèche workers. There may be opportunities for progression to Level 3 qualifications.

The following colleges are assessment centres :

- Yale College Wrexham
- Deeside College (now including Llysfasi College)
- Walford and North Shropshire College
- ITEC Wrexham

## **QCF DIPLOMA IN CHILDREN'S CARE LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT LEVEL 3**

(Children aged 0-19years)

Level three qualifications are for those working in a supervisory role with experience of working with children between the ages of birth and nineteen years.

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

No formal qualifications are necessary. Candidates must be working with children in a supervisory capacity.

### **COURSE FEE**

Available on request from the colleges.

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

This qualification is likely to increase employment prospects and career development and may be used to access higher education. Job roles include Nursery Supervisor, Playgroup Leader, Teaching Assistant etc. Can lead to Further Education in Teaching, Nursing and Social work

- Yale College Wrexham
- Deeside College (now including Llysfasi College)
- Walford and North Shropshire College
- ITEC Wrexham

## **QCF DIPLOMA IN CHILDREN'S CARE LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT LEVEL 5**

The Level 5 NVQ is for professionals working in childcare. It recognises your experience and helps to develop your career. It is an up to date qualification that can be completed whilst you are working. To work towards this qualification you need to be working with children, young people and their families at a management or senior level.

- Yale College Wrexham
- Deeside College (now including Llysfasi College)
- Walford and North Shropshire College

**The above QCF qualifications have replaced NVQ qualifications from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2011. Existing NVQ qualifications are still valid**

## **QCF LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATE SUPPORTING TEACHING AND LEARNING IN SCHOOLS LEVEL**

This course is a work based qualification designed for those who work with teachers in classrooms supporting the learning process in primary, secondary and special schools. The level 2 qualification is designed for those who are new to the role of teaching assistant and whose responsibilities are limited in scope. You will be expected to follow instructions and carry out tasks effectively and report back to your teacher

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

There are no formal entry requirements for this course. Candidates require a workplacement.

### **FEES**

Details of course fees are available directly from colleges providing the qualification.

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

To become a qualified Teaching Assistant supporting the work of a teacher in the classroom. Progression to Level 3 may be possible.

- Yale College
- Deeside College (now including Llysfasi College)
- ITEC Wrexham

## **QCF LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE IN SUPPORTING TEACHING AND LEARNING IN SCHOOLS**

This course is a work based qualification designed for those who work with teachers in classrooms supporting the learning process in primary, secondary and specialist schools. This includes those with a general support role and those who have specific responsibility for a pupil

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

There are no formal entry requirements for this qualification but applicants should be experienced classroom assistants.

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

To become a qualified Teaching Assistant supporting the work of a teacher in the classroom. Progression to a Foundation Degree in Learning Support may be possible.

- Yale College
- Deeside College (now including Llysfasi college)
- ITEC Wrexham

## **QCF DIPLOMA IN SPECIALIST SUPPORT FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING IN SCHOOLS**

A work based qualification for those providing one to one support in schools as part of their duties

- Yale College
- Deeside College (now including Llysfasi College)
- ITEC Wrexham

## **QCF IN PLAYWORK LEVEL 2**

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

There are no formal entry requirements. This qualification is recognised by local authorities and employers. Candidates must be working with children aged between 4 and 15 in a play environment.

### **FEES**

Details of course fees are available directly from colleges providing the qualification.

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Playworker, assistant playworker, holiday playschemes, residential holidays, out of school clubs.

Assessment centre

- Deeside College

## **QCF DIPLOMA IN PLAYWORK LEVEL 3**

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

There are no formal entry requirements.

### **FEES**

Course fees available on request from colleges delivering the qualification.

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Senior playworkers are employed in out of school clubs, community and school play centres, holiday playschemes, residential holidays etc. in a managerial role. Senior playworkers have a responsibility for the work of others and providing playschemes.

Assessment centres

- Deeside College

## **P3-PLAYWORK PRINCIPLES INTO PRACTICE**

P3 is a level 2 qualification which is a blend of theory and practice for those working in the playwork sector. Learners will be able to explain what they do and why they do it and are expected to put into practice what they have learnt.

### **ENTRY REQUIRMENTS**

There are no formal entry requirements.

### **FEES**

Course fees and further course details are available from the Play Development Team on 01978 340742

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Playworker, assistant playworker, holiday playschemes worker, residential holidays, out of school clubs

### **PLAYWORK TRAINING**

The Play Development Team are also able to offer short courses relevant to playworkers e.g risky play, the importance of play, play frames and cues, An Introduction to Play and Playwork, Play,Risk and Resilience, playing with ropes, playing with junk etc

Further details are available from the Play Development Team 01978 340742.

## **CERTIFICATE IN SUPPORTING TEACHING AND LEARNING IN SCHOOLS LEVEL 2**

This course is a work based qualification designed for those who work with teachers in classrooms supporting the learning process in primary, secondary and special schools. The level 2 qualification is designed for those who are new to the role of teaching assistant and whose responsibilities are limited in scope. You will be expected to follow instructions and carry out tasks effectively and report back to your teacher.

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

You will need to be working in a classroom setting under the supervision of a teacher.

### **FEES**

Details of fees are available directly from colleges providing the qualification.

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

To become a qualified teaching assistant and possibly to move to a level 3 qualification.

- Yale College Wrexham
- Deeside College (now including Llysfasi College)
- Walford and North Shropshire College

## **CERTIFICATE IN SUPPORTING TEACHING AND LEARNING IN SCHOOLS LEVEL 3**

This course is a work based qualification designed for those who work with teachers in classrooms supporting the learning process in primary, secondary and specialist schools. This includes those with a general support role and those who have specific responsibility for a pupil.

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

You will need to be an experienced classroom assistant able to follow instructions, follow routine tasks efficiently and take responsibility for your actions reporting to someone with a higher qualification/more experience.

### **FEES**

Details of fees are available directly from the colleges providing the qualification.

### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

To become a qualified Teaching/Classroom Assistant. There are also progression opportunities to higher level qualifications e.g. the Foundation Degree in Learning Support.

- Yale College
- Deeside College (now including Llysfasi College)

## **DISTANCE LEARNING AND LIFELONG LEARNING CENTRES**

### **NATIONAL EXTENSION COLLEGE (NEC)**

A flexible way to learn that helps adults combine study with their work commitments and family. Childcare courses include Introduction to Childcare Practice, Certificate in Pre-School Practice, Diploma in Pre-School Practice, Diploma in Playwork, Family Learning, Nutrition Awareness.

Tel : 0800 389 2839

[www.nec.ac.uk](http://www.nec.ac.uk) , [info@nec.ac.uk](mailto:info@nec.ac.uk)

National Extension College  
The Michael Young Centre  
Purbeck Road  
Cambridge  
CB2 2HN

### **OPEN UNIVERSITY**

The Open University offer a number of courses in childcare e.g. 'Working with Young People', 'Childhood and Youth Studies Degree'. The 'Openings Programme' offers introductory courses including 'Understanding Children'. These courses are ideal for learners new to study or who haven't studied for a long time.

The Open University in Wales  
18 Custom House Street  
Cardiff  
CF10 1AP

Course enquiries : Tel 029 2047 1019 / 0845 300 6090 (Monday-Friday 8.00am-20.00pm/Saturday 9.00-17.00)

[www.open.ac.uk](http://www.open.ac.uk)

### **LIFELONG LEARNING SERVICE**

The Lifelong Learning Service provides a flexible way to learn. It allows you to study where, when and how you wish learning new skills or updating existing knowledge. The main Lifelong Learning Centre is situated at Wrexham Library. There are smaller collections at Chirk and Rhos libraries. Open learning packs include packs on childcare.

Tel : 01978 292090

## **MODERN APPRENTICESHIPS AND NATIONAL TRAINEESHIPS**

If you are aged 16-24 and want to work with young children you may be interested in a Modern Apprenticeship or National Traineeship course in Children's Care Learning and Development. Apprenticeships provide an opportunity to earn and learn at the same time gaining valuable experience.

**MODERN APPRENTICESHIPS** – are aimed at QCF Level 3 for those progressing to supervisory level. Candidates will also complete Essential Skills in Communication and Application of Number at Level 2.

**NATIONAL TRAINEESHIPS** – are designed very much along the lines of Modern Apprenticeships except that the focus of the training is at QCF Level 2 working under close supervision with a qualified member of staff. National Traineeships also provide the opportunity for young people to progress onto Modern Apprenticeships. Candidates will also complete Essential Skills in Communication and Application of Number Level 1.

For further details contact childcare training course providers as listed in this booklet on page 15-16, call the Modern Apprenticeship helpline on 0800 935 935 or look on the Welsh Assembly website [www.new.wales.gov.uk](http://www.new.wales.gov.uk). Alternatively you can contact Careers Wales 0800 100 900, [www.careerswales.com](http://www.careerswales.com)

# **LOCAL CHILDCARE TRAINING COURSE PROVIDERS**

## **WREXHAM FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE (WFIS)**

WFIS provides low cost training for childcare workers covering a range of topics such as First Aid, Child Protection, Level 2 Certificate in Food Safety in Catering, autism, heuristic play and practical courses. Up to date programme available on request

CONTACT : Wrexham Family Information Service Early Years and Childcare  
Training Officer 01978 298345 / 01978 292094  
[fis@wrexham.gov.uk](mailto:fis@wrexham.gov.uk)

## **DROME**

Yale College,  
Grove Park Road,  
Wrexham,  
LL12 7AB

Contact : 01978 316485

Drome offer a programme of day time courses at a low cost for adults in Wrexham. Its courses are recognised as an important route for adults returning to learning and provide a sound basis for progression to further study in colleges and adult centres. The courses provide the skills and confidence towards finding employment, starting a business or getting involved in the community.

## **GENESIS CYMRU.WALES 2 PROJECT**

The Genesis 2 Project in Wrexham provides a free course for anyone interested in working with children entitled 'Making Choices'. The course provides information to help people decide whether they want to work with children and , if so, which area of childcare they wish to work in.

The course runs over nine weeks for two hours a week and provides an insight into what it's like to work as a childminder, in a day nursery, playgroup, out of school club, open access playscheme, as a classroom/teaching assistant or work with children with special needs. A visit to an early years setting is arranged towards the end of the course.

Courses are organised by Wrexham Family Information Service and are held every term in various locations throughout Wrexham County Borough. Free crèche places are provided if required. For further information about courses in your area please contact Wrexham Family Information Service on 01978 292094  
[fis@wrexham.gov.uk](mailto:fis@wrexham.gov.uk)

## **LOCAL CHILDCARE ORGANISATIONS**

Local childcare organisations listed on p23 of this booklet also provide training opportunities. Contact them directly for details.

### **GLYNDWR UNIVERSITY**

Plas Coch  
Mold Road  
Wrexham

Contact : Course Leader  
Tel : 01978 293337  
[www.glyndwr.ac.uk](http://www.glyndwr.ac.uk)

### **ITEC**

Unit 19, Whitegate Industrial Estate  
Wrexham  
LL13 8UG

College Road  
Oswestry  
Shropshire  
SY11 2SA

Contact : Childcare Course Co-ordinator  
Tel : 01691 688000 or 01948 66010  
[www.wnsc.ac.uk](http://www.wnsc.ac.uk)

### **WORKERS EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION**

Offers a range of courses for adults across North and mid Wales in community settings that are easy to access.

CONTACT : 01978 318866

**YALE COLLEGE WREXHAM**  
Grove Park Road, Wrexham  
LL12 7AA

Contact : Assistant Director of Faculty Social Sciences / Childcare Course Co-ordinator  
Tel : 01978 311794  
[www.yale-wrexham.ac.uk](http://www.yale-wrexham.ac.uk)

**YALE TRAINING** (part of Yale College Wrexham)

Yale Training is the corporate arm of Yale College and provides customised training and expert advice for businesses and industry. Individuals can access job-specific training through short courses and apprenticeship programmes.

Tel : 01978 316441  
[www.yaletraining.co.uk](http://www.yaletraining.co.uk)

**GETTING STARTED**

**FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

The Childcare Funding Support Officer at the Wrexham Family Information Service provides up to date information on grants and sources of funding available including Individual Learning Accounts, Assembly Learning Grants etc.

WFIS also provides childminder start up grants for anyone interested in setting up a childminding business. For details contact Childcare Funding Support Officer on 01978 298343.

WFIS also has a limited amount of money to support the costs of training. For further details contact Early Years and Childcare Training Officer on 01978 298345.

## **WORKING TAX CREDIT**

Working Tax Credit is a payment to top up the earnings of low paid working people (whether employed or self-employed), including those who do not have children. Working Tax Credit helps to make work pay for low income workers. As part of Working Tax Credit you may qualify for help towards the costs of childcare.

You can order a claim pack over the phone by calling the helpline on 0845 300 3900. Lines are open every day (except Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day and Easter Sunday) from 8.00am-8.00pm.

A variety of leaflets are also available giving guidance on tax credits e.g. 'Child Tax Credit and Working Tax Credit' and 'Help with the costs of Childcare'. These leaflets are available from Wrexham Family Information Service, telephone 01978 292094.

## **BUSINESS ADVICE**

### **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND ENTERPRISE UNIT**

The Business Development and Enterprise Team offer a range of services to pre-start businesses and in the early stages. They work closely with Businessline in Wrexham Library .

For further information on the department, training modules or to book appointments contact the Business Support Officer on [joanne.hughes@wrexham.gov.uk](mailto:joanne.hughes@wrexham.gov.uk) or telephone 01978 366366.

### **BUSINESSLINE**

Businessline offers a comprehensive information service to anyone starting or thinking of starting a business. It can be a daunting and stressful experience which Businessline can alleviate by telling you the ins and outs of how to start a business, who you need to contact, what laws you have to adhere to. There is also a range of material specifically for those in the childcare sector.

For a free guide on how to start a business or for more details contact Businessline, Wrexham Library, Rhosddu Road, Wrexham, LL11 1AU. Tel 01978 292092 [businessline@wrexham.gov.uk](mailto:businessline@wrexham.gov.uk)

### **BUSINESS EYE**

Business Eye is a free, impartial information service for Wales created to find the answers to your business questions. It's here to help you and can put you in contact with support from the public, private or voluntary sectors. Telephone 08457969798 [www.businessseye.org.uk](http://www.businessseye.org.uk)

For more information on Wrexham Business Eye contact [Beverley.brindley@businessseye.org.uk](mailto:Beverley.brindley@businessseye.org.uk) or [Richard.seller@businessseye.org.uk](mailto:Richard.seller@businessseye.org.uk) or call them on 01978 264699

## **WHERE CAN I LOOK FOR A JOB?**

### **CHILDCARE VACANCIES**

#### **CAREERS WALES NORTH EAST**

Careers Shop,  
Egerton House, Rhosddu Road,  
Wrexham,  
LL11 1EQ

Tel : 01978 317015  
[www.careerswales.com](http://www.careerswales.com)

#### **CHILDCARE ORGANISATIONS**

Contact the childcare organisations listed in the Local Childcare Organisations section of this guide for details of vacancies in childcare settings locally.

#### **JOBCENTRE PLUS**

Provides help and advice on jobs and training for people looking for work.

Ty Maelor  
15-17 Grosvenor Road  
Wrexham  
LL11 1BW  
Tel : 01978 316500  
[www.jobcentreplus.gov.uk](http://www.jobcentreplus.gov.uk)

#### **JOBSEEKER DIRECT (Part of the Jobcentre Plus)**

Job seeker direct is a quick and easy telephone phone service which keeps you in touch with the latest job vacancies and helps you find the job that's right for you. The service is available to anyone looking for work and the lines are open weekdays 8.00am-6.00pm and Saturdays 9.00am-1.00pm

Tel : 0845 6060 234  
[www.jobseekersdirect.gov.uk](http://www.jobseekersdirect.gov.uk)

#### **LOCAL PRESS**

Local childcare vacancies are advertised in the Daily Post, Wrexham Leader, and Chester Chronicle. Your local library may have copies of some of these.

#### **MAGAZINES/PERIODICALS**

The following advertise vacancies nationwide :  
Nursery World (available from Wrexham Family Information Service)  
Children and Young People Now (Wrexham Family Information Service)  
Early Years Educator (available from Glyndwr University)

## **HOW DO I FIND OUT MORE?**

## **LOCAL CHILDCARE ORGANISATIONS**

### **CLYBIAU PLANT CYMRU KIDS' CLUBS**

Development Officer  
19 Princes Drive,  
Colwyn Bay,  
Conwy,  
LL29 8HT  
Tel :01978 856746 / 01492 539770

### **MUDIAD YSGOLION MEITHRIN**

Co-ordinator Wrexham, Flintshire, Denbighshire  
Unit B  
Yale Business Village  
Ellice Way  
Wrexham  
LL13 7YL  
Tel : 01978 363422

### **NATIONAL CHILDMINDING ASSOCIATION**

North Wales Co-ordinator  
Millwood House  
Coed Aben Road  
Wrexham Industrial Estate  
Wrexham  
LL13 9UH  
Tel : 0845 801316

### **NATIONAL DAY NURSERIES ASSOCIATION**

Playland Day Nursery  
31 Stansty Road  
Rhosddu  
Wrexham  
LL11 2BY  
Tel : 01978 351230

### **WALES PRE-SCHOOL PROVIDERS ASSOCIATION**

Llwynnegrin  
County Hall  
Mold  
Flintshire  
CH7 6BN  
Tel : 01352 756885

## **SUPPORTING ORGANISATIONS**

### **CAM WRTH GAM**

Cam wrth Gam is a National Training Scheme offering training towards either an NVQ Level 2 or 3 in Children's Care Learning and Development through the medium of Welsh

Tel : 01970 639 601

[www.mym.co.uk](http://www.mym.co.uk)

[post@camwrthgam.co.uk](mailto:post@camwrthgam.co.uk)

### **CARE AND SOCIAL SERVICES INSPECTORATE WALES**

Makes sure that care settings meet the standards that children and parents have a right to expect.

Senior Inspector, Registration and Inspection Unit

Government Buildings

Sarn Mynach

Llandudno Junction

LL31 9RZ

Tel : 0300 062 5609

[www.cssiw.org.uk](http://www.cssiw.org.uk)

### **CARE COUNCIL FOR WALES**

Unit 19

St.Asaph Business Park

Glascoed Road

St Asaph

LL17 OL3

Aims to ensure that children and adults receiving social care services can rely on a workforce that is properly trained, appropriately qualified and effectively regulated.

[www.ccwales.org.uk](http://www.ccwales.org.uk)

### **WREXHAM FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE**

Provides free information, support and guidance on all aspects of childcare and children's services in Wrexham County Borough.

Wrexham Library and Arts Centre

Rhosddu Road

Wrexham, LL11 1AU

Tel : 01978 292094

[fis@wrexham.gov.uk](mailto:fis@wrexham.gov.uk)

[www.wrexham.gov.uk/cib](http://www.wrexham.gov.uk/cib)

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### **CRIMINAL RECORDS BUREAU**

Contact to apply for your CRB check.

Tel : 0870 9090 811

[www.crb.gov.uk](http://www.crb.gov.uk)

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