

Who is it for?

All Early Years practitioners working with children aged 3–5 years
Maintained and non-maintained sector
Individuals or teams

What is it?

A practical resource to support PSE in Early Years including key learning objectives
Practical learning activities
Parent partnership addressed
Links to music and literacy
Assessment guidance

When do I use it?

Throughout Early Years setting
Balance of planned adult lead activities and child initiated learning
Delivered through routines and planned teaching time

Welcome to Little Steps

Why use it?

Early Years practitioners recognise the importance of PSE
Practitioners have asked for practical resources to meet their needs
Resources have been trialled and tested in variety of settings and across sectors
Links to Sure Start Guidance, Foundation Stage Curriculum, Foundation Stage Profile in England, and relevant to guidance issued to practitioners in Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales

Where do I use it?

Within the setting: emphasis on developing a rich 'Learning Environment'
Within the community: emphasis on using the community as a resource
Within the family: details how to involve parents and other family members in settings
Within the home: details how parents can support children's continuing learning at home

How do I use it?

Start with self-evaluation process to identify strengths and areas for development in PSE
Devise an action plan
Select aspect of PSE to develop, use key learning objectives and resource bank to support individual learning needs of children in setting
Observe and assess children's progress
Develop parent partnership

