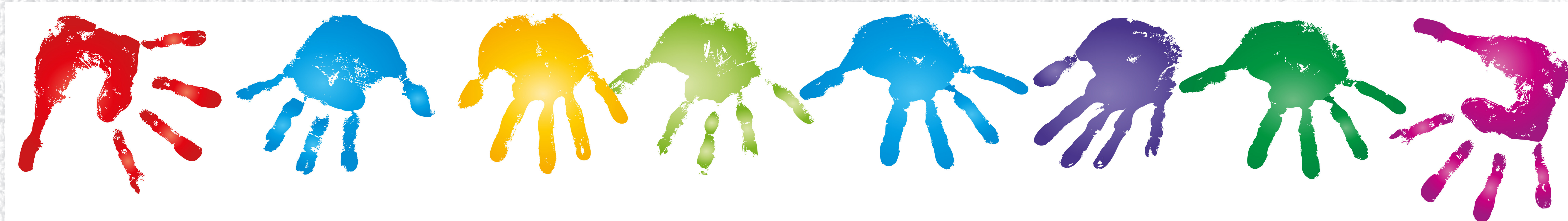


# A BETTER START SOUTHEND CRECHE SERVICE

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## The reason why... crèche

The ABSS crèche is one of the most important facilities for some of the service users, being it a one off event or regular crèche visits like for the Parent Champions. This enables them to attend meetings and take part in conversations and have their voices heard. The crèche allows the inclusion of all parents who like to attend groups and courses where childcare would have been a problematic factor. All crèche staff are qualified childcare Level 3 and above. Each child that attends crèche regularly will have a journal with their developmental milestones recorded along with some art work that parents can access to see what the children are learning during their time with the team.

The crèche follows EYFS guidelines and support the children in:

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Physical Development
- Communication and Language

The crèche has the same requirements as Childminders, Nurseries and Pre-schools in England. It has a responsibility to understand the unique child and their families needs, form good professional and positive relationships, ensure it provides a safe/nurturing environment, whilst providing lots of opportunities to learn and safely take risks. It also safeguards the children and their families, and provides learning opportunities.



## Introducing some of the crèche

### Kayleigh Churchman (LV5)

Kayleigh has worked in childcare for 12 years. This includes working in Pre-schools, Day Nurseries and running her own successful Childminding business. In these roles she has worked with and supported families and their children aged 0-12 years. She is First Aid, Safeguarding, Behaviour Management and GDPR trained. She has been part of the A Better Start Crèche team for 2.5 years.

"Being part of this team has been a great opportunity to be part of a great project. It's fantastic getting to support local families and look after the young children from our community whilst the parents gain superb skills and guidance, or contribute their ideas and visions for the support."

### Samantha Tower (LV3)

Samantha has worked in childcare for 18 years. This includes working in Day Nurseries with children aged 0-4 years, and in after school/ holiday clubs with children aged 4-8 years. She is First Aid, Safeguarding, Behaviour Management and GDPR trained. She has been a member of the A Better Start Crèche team for 18 months.

"I love being part of the crèche team here at A Better Start Southend as no day is the same. Everyday brings new challenges and the learning never stops, for myself and the children. It makes me proud to serve the local community and providing the next generation with 'a better start'."