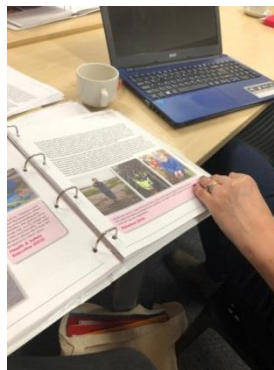




April 2019

Network Meetings

We hold regular meetings at the education centre. Each meeting has a focus and there are two practical sessions to support e-submissions. The focus is usually around a dimension and there is an opportunity to network with other colleagues and to receive mentor support with your submission. The meetings are facilitated by Carol de-Beger and Pat Kendall and everyone feels they are very friendly and helpful meetings. The next one is Wednesday 12th June – Getting to know Dimension 10



Childminder Discussion Groups

Our childminder discussion groups are held at City Academy on Tuesday evenings. At each session one of the 10 Bristol Standard dimensions are covered in detail.

The sessions enable the opportunity for informative and supportive discussions related to a dimension to take place.

Childminder's have fed back how valuable they find the sessions to support completion of their own Bristol Standard submissions.

Any childminder, not just childminders who are on the Bristol Standard journey, can take advantage of these dimension discussions; just book on with cmsupport@bristol.gov.uk

For further information about the Bristol Standard contact Joanne Dennis

Our next session is on 14th May 2019 at

Bristol City Academy 6-8.30 pm

Dimension 3 - The Reflective Practitioner

Bristol Standard for Play review

The Bristol Standard for Play provision is nearing the end of its review. A team of Play professionals and the central Bristol Standard team have come together to revise and update the framework which is used by out of school providers and holiday clubs. The new 4th edition promises to be a great model to work with, have a fresh new look and new photos. It will be launched in October at a special event. More details later.



Fun with cardboard boxes. For more information about Loose Parts play: www.childrenscrapstore.co.uk



The Bristol Standard Newsletter

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Case Studies

There are some really exciting case studies on our Bristol Standard webpages. Please take time to read them and see how the Bristol Standard has helped settings to be reflective and improve on their previous best. If you would like to share your story please let us know and our intrepid reporter, Julia Harkess will come and see you.

<https://www.bristolearlyyears.org.uk/the-bristol-standard-case-studies/>

St Werburgh's Primary is just one of the case studies. The Reception teacher, Olivia, tells us that although they always had meetings, with the Bristol Standard '*we were able to use that time more for continuous professional development, reflection and self-evaluation using the Bristol Standard.*' You can read more on this story by following the link.



**The next validation day is on
Thursday 4th July.**

**Submissions will need to be
uploaded to Alfresco by Monday 1st
July. All other submissions will need
to be delivered by Monday 24th June**



Good bye to South Glos

We were sorry to say goodbye to Penny Nowson, Early Years Advisor and Lead officer for Bristol Standard in South Gloucestershire at our last validation day. South Gloucestershire is no longer able to be part of the Bristol Standard Family due to changes in their organisation. We have enjoyed working with them over many years and valued the cross-LA networking

Bristol Standard for Health 2nd Pilot.

The second pilot of the Bristol Standard for Health has now finished. There will now be a period of evaluation, new links made with the Public Health team and the revised materials will be available for wider use in the autumn. Thank you to all the early years, childminders and play settings who took part in the pilot. The submissions were very thorough and it was good to receive such positive feedback