

Bilingual Education Programme

Our integrated approach in Early Years online course

We are delighted to launch our **new self-access online course** and **strongly recommend that all new and relatively new Early Years teachers** in Bilingual Education Programme (BEP) schools apply. The course will help teachers become familiar with our literacy based approach to teaching English across the curriculum in Early Years and help you use our updated Guidelines “[Orientaciones para el desarrollo e implementación del currículo integrado en el 2º ciclo de Educación Infantil](#)”.

The course is open to all Early Years teachers whether designated as teachers, Asesores Lingüísticos &/or coordinators. It has been developed exclusively for teachers in our Bilingual Education Programme and the participation costs (platform licenses) are covered by the British Council in Spain.

Our first course will run over 4 calendar weeks: **6 November until 6 December 2023.**

Teachers will receive a certificate of participation on finalising the course which will state course dates, completion rates and scores. You will also be asked to complete a feedback survey.

Here are some basics.

- The course is a **Small Private Online Course (SPOC)** delivered on our supplier’s platform (ECOM Learning Solutions).
- The course is a **9 hour**, self-access course (3 hours of learning per week) + 1 hour platform familiarisation module. There is a mix of video tutorials, texts to read and interactive learning activities to complete.

- The 3 modules focus on the **main aspects of our approach** as outlined in our current Guidelines / *Orientaciones*.
- The courses is **100% self-access** so teachers can work through at their own pace but SMS reminders will be sent to help participants complete the learning.

Online course outline

Module 1: Introduction to the Bilingual Education Programme	
Unit 1	Introduction to our integrated approach and teaching literacy
Unit 2	Topic webs
Unit 3	The inclusive classroom in Early Years
Module 2: Teaching through stories	
Unit 1	Getting children interested in stories
Unit 2	Storytelling techniques
Unit 3	After reading and phonics
Module 3: Child centred learning and assessment	
Unit 1	Putting children at the centre of planning
Unit 2	Observation and assessment
Unit 3	Continuous provision

Selection criteria.

- All applications must complete the [online application form](#) correctly and submit on time.
- New or relatively new teachers and Asesores Lingüísticos to BEP Early Years are strongly encouraged to apply but experienced teachers are very welcome to join
- There are up to 200 places available.

Timeline (2023)

- **19 – 29 September 2023:** call for applications process
- **3-6 October 2023:** applications confirmed
- **6 November – 6 December :** course open for self-study and completion
- **1-15 December :** feedback survey + certificates of participation issued

Contact

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