

RECOVERING PLAY February 2022 - LINKS

[Current Covid Guidance](#) updated on 17th February 2022 but possibly better to look at the specific Early Years guidance on the [ELC BLOG](#)

The importance of singing, music and dance is highlighted in Care Inspectorate's recent practice note '[Sing for Joy and Learning](#)'

You may want to look at the really helpful information on the Literacy blog about [Making the Most of Songs and Rhymes](#)

These are some online Highland tools being used in Early Years to help support our knowledge and assessment of children's developmental progress. They can all be used to help us support children where they are now developmentally.

[Bumps to Bairns](#) - provides resources and ideas to help parents/carers and anyone supporting young children's development from birth. All the resources on this site have been compiled or identified by specialist professionals based in the Highlands.

[Words up Training](#) You can watch the videos online or get involved in something in pairs or small groups where possible. Speak to your local Speech and Language Therapist to see what's available.

[Emerging Literacy Toolkit](#) This Online toolkit takes you to ideas to support emerging literacy.

After you have taken into consideration all we have talked about today, there may still be some children where you have some concerns, or you are already aware that they have some additional needs. There are supports available to you.

[The Pines YouTube channel](#) has information and videos to support families and staff working with children with neurodevelopmental differences

[National Autistic Society Scotland](#)

[Thriving Families](#), has information, advice and support service for anyone caring for children in Highland.

Meet the Psychological Services which includes [Home Visiting Teachers](#) and [Educational Psychologists](#). Home Visiting Teachers and Educational Psychologists all have a supporting role in the Early Years. This can include consultation, direct work and strategic support for settings. The above links will take you to service leaflets and contact details for your area.

The [Blog](#) contains information and resources for ASN – highlighting good practice across Highland and recommendations from other services. Early Years materials include:

[EASEYS for ASN](#) Encourage **A**nd **S**upport **E**arly **Y**ears **S**kills for **A**dditional **S**upport **N**eeds

[Information sheet](#) on all the current EASEYS for ASN

[Play Ideas](#) differentiated activities broken down into small steps, emphasising sensory aspects, repetition, creating play routines and communication supports – all aimed to increase quality, progression and independence in play.

[Differentiation in the Early Years](#), [Transition Supports](#), [Outdoor learning and play; an inclusive approach](#)

Other good links. [Realising the ambition: Being Me 2020](#), [My World Outdoors](#),

[The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child \(UNCRC\)](#)