

Course Title	BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Children's Care, Learning and Development
Level	Level 3
About the Course	<p>This is a two year full time course. The course consists of 18 units including core units such as Promoting Children's Development, Reflecting On and Developing Practice for children aged 0 – 8, Safeguarding Children and Children's Learning Activities and Play.</p> <p>As part of this course, students undertake 2 days' placement each week in 4 different childcare settings, working with children from 0 – 8 years, over the two years. This enables learners to make clear links between the theoretical and practical elements of the course.</p> <p>The BTEC National Diploma in Children's Care, Learning and Development provides much of the underpinning knowledge for the National Occupational Standards in Children's Care Learning and Development, thereby preparing learners for employment in the sector as well as for Higher Education.</p> <p><u>Successful completion of this qualification confers Qualified Practitioner Status (for the 0 – 8 age group) to learners.</u> A key feature of this course therefore is the requirement to complete a professional development portfolio in order to achieve Qualified Practitioner Status.</p> <p>Note: At the time of going to print the exact format of the new childcare qualifications is unavailable however it is anticipated that the new course will reflect the detail outline here.</p>
Progression Routes	<p>Many of our learners leave college and embark upon the following career paths:</p> <p>Nursery Nursing, Primary and Early Years Teaching, Paediatric Nursing, Social Work, Early Childhood Studies, Teaching Assistant</p>
Method of Assessment	<p>The course is assessed through observational visits in the work place setting, and coursework which is graded at Pass, Merit or Distinction. There are no examinations on this course.</p>