

Family Learning

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“If a child is never ill and has 100% attendance at school, he or she will only be in school for 9 minutes every waking hour between 0-16”

Tim Brighouse

London Commission for Schools

What we do

- ❖ Capacity building workshops
- ❖ Attend one off events/activities
- ❖ Short courses including family first aid, ICT and stay safe
- ❖ Parenting programmes – Parents with Prospects
- ❖ Maths, English and language courses
- ❖ Employability courses
- ❖ Support to find employment (paid or voluntary)
- ❖ Referral to internal/external agencies

Where

- ❖ Infant/Primary Schools
- ❖ Secondary Schools
- ❖ Community Centres
- ❖ Children's Centres
- ❖ Family Centres
- ❖ Libraries

Barriers to learning

Low self-esteem

Fear of failing

Feeling that learning is for other people

Leaving school with few or no qualifications

Intergenerational unemployment

Long term unemployed

Childcare

Domestic violence

Drug/alcohol abuse

Debt/Financial problems

Complex family issues

Personal journeys

Health problems

Housing

Overcome anxieties

Supported one another

Developed friendships

Built confidence and self-esteem

Develop skills to support children's development

Shared support networks

Progression

Completed Parents with Prospects programme
(award/certificate)

Skills for Life – English and Maths

Teaching assistant course

Volunteering in school

Parent representative on Advisory Board in Children's Centre

“I didn't ever really think about the role carers/parents/grandparents play in a child's education.”



“We both have more confidence and I enjoyed working together to complete homework which I never thought I would ever say.”

“The support from staff was amazing I feel more confident and have a wider range of skills and qualifications.”



Questions?

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