L2 and L3 Award and Diplomas in Playwork (QCF)

We are going to be delivering the L2 and L3 Award in playwork with an option to complete the whole diploma if learners wish. The Award is mainly knowledge based with only a small amount of
practical work. The whole diploma covers additional knowledge and skills and observation in the workplace.

L2/L3 award addresses induction to playwork practice and understanding of the playwork environment. It prepares learners for work, progression into employment and underpins progression to L3 Diploma.

L3 Diploma is available to those with a more responsible role such as leader, deputy or key worker. Learners must have previous experience and ideally hold a L2/L3 Award or qualification that is relevant to the playwork or early years sector.

Entry requirements
Ideally you will hold GCSE Mathematics, English Language and ICT (Grades D-G) or L1 equivalencies. L3 applicants need more experience of working in Playwork and will need to be actively involved in all aspects of the provision, ideally for 3 sessions a week. Tutors will advise at interview the level and qualification that is most appropriate for each learner.

Work based course
L3 Diploma leaners require to be in a job role for at least 3 sessions a week.

What is this course about?
Completing the awards successfully will increase your understanding of how best to support children in their play activities and the playwork principles. Completing the Diploma successfully provides the skills and knowledge for those working in key positions in breakfast and after school clubs, holiday playschemes, etc.

What will I study?
The Playwork courses embrace a wide range of knowledge including child development 4-16 years, health and safety, equality and diversity, behaviour management, safeguarding, partnership working with parents and with other professionals and importantly the many aspects of play. This will include greater understanding of the environment , policies and procedures meeting the daycare standards.

How and what will I learn?
Learners will gain an understanding of the importance of play and Playwork, and a deep appreciation of the Playwork Principles underpinning their practice. Learners will be required to attend workshops to gain knowledge and skills for the Award and provide written work to meet evidence. If learners choose to continue to Diploma level then assessments will be made on practical performance, with one to one support for self-guided learning. Will include some Saturday workshops.

Career prospects
The awards are suitable for those interested in working with children in breakfast and after school clubs, holiday playschemes, leisure centre assistants, playworkers, youth and community workers, play therapists in supervised roles. The Diploma is suitable for those progressing into leadership roles.

Date: Enrolling now **Time:** Workshops usually Saturdays
Venue: Chequers Bridge Centre, Painswick Road, Gloucester, GL4 6PR
Cost: £2,800 (Diploma) £600 (Award)
Course Length: 6-12 months depending on qualifications

To apply: Complete the application form for NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS from the website www.pataglos.org.uk and email to: atc@pataglos.org.uk

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