

# DEVELOPMENT PLANNING & SELF EVALUATION

## WHAT IS DEVELOPMENT PLANNING?

- Gives you an overview of the work of the setting
- Allows you to communicate your settings vision
- Promotes effective practice, learning and care
- Focuses on improving the quality of children's experiences
- Ensures that change is managed and monitored by those implementing it
- Helps practitioners to set priorities, targets and timescales
- May extend to a maximum of 3 years

## WHAT IS SELF EVALUATION?

- Celebrating what works well within your setting
- Improving the overall quality of practice and experiences for the children in your care
- Motivates staff to explore new ways of working
- Helps everyone to reflect on their roles
- Highlights areas for improvement in provision and practice
- Guides and develops management and leadership
- An ongoing process

## WHAT NEXT?

- Get it on paper! Think about what you would like to improve and what you MUST improve - review reports from EYS, ETI, Social Services etc to guide you
- Review supporting documents for examples of ideal practice e.g. ISEF and PQA
- Look at other examples of good practice locally and globally

## REMEMBER.....

- Work as a team!
- Use the voice of the child to guide you
- Monitor and reflect - development plans and action plans can change they should be working documents!
- Ensure your management committee are involved
- Set time aside regularly to complete tasks
- Ask your EYS for support