# Transition

This document should be used alongside the following:

* [Early years foundation stage (EYFS) statutory framework - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2)
* [Ofsted inspections of early years and childcare providers - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/ofsteds-inspection-of-early-years-providers)
* [Development Matters - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/development-matters--2)
* [Birth to 5 Matters.pdf](https://www.birthto5matters.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/Birthto5Matters-download.pdf)
* [Are you ready for your four year olds-v21.pdf](https://eycp.essex.gov.uk/media/2102/are-you-ready-for-your-four-year-olds-v21.pdf)
* [Early Years and Key Stage 1 Transition Guidance Revised April 2021 (Word, 2MB)](https://eycp.essex.gov.uk/media/2108/early_years_and_key_stage_1_transition_guidance-revised-apr2021.docx)

| **As a childminder areas to consider about your setting** | **Supporting Evidence** | **Actions you have identified** | **Date actions need to be completed** |
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| Do you have effective induction arrangements for children starting at your setting?   * Welcome packs * Admission form / home visit format that allows parents to tell you everything they want you to know about their child * Flexible / staggered start times and individual settling programmes * Review each child’s settling regularly with parents and their Key Person (where appropriate) |  |  |  |
| Do you gather as much information as you are able from a child’s family before they join  you?  [All About Me profiles](https://eycp.essex.gov.uk/the-early-years-foundation-stage/how-can-i-help-all-children-learn-and-progress/planning-and-observation/)  Do you find out about children’s home language?  How is this information recorded?  Home language profile:  [English as an additional language (essex.gov.uk)](https://eycp.essex.gov.uk/the-early-years-foundation-stage/how-can-i-promote-equality-and-inclusion-in-my-provision/english-as-an-additional-language/) |  |  |  |
| Do you plan the learning environment and resources using the information from parents when children start at your setting?  Do you support children’s routines and ensure flexability where possible? |  |  |  |
| How does practice help children form secure attachments with carers and promote a strong base for their developing independence and exploration? |  |  |  |
| How do you support children’s transition within your setting? |  |  |  |
| Do you share information with other  settings about a child’s progress when  they attend more than one setting?  **EYFS Statutory Framework 3.69** |  |  |  |
| Does each key person (where appropriate) support their key children at all points of transition? |  |  |  |
| Do you have good links with schools and other providers which  effectively support transition? |  |  |  |
| How do you share information about each child when move to school?  [Essex Transition Passport](https://eycp.essex.gov.uk/the-early-years-foundation-stage/how-do-i-become-an-outstanding-practitioner/transition/) |  |  |  |
| Do you attend any local early years networks or childminding groups? |  |  |  |
| How do you support children (including vulnerable children and those with identified additional needs) in preparing for transitions within the setting and to other settings and school? |  |  |  |
| For children with EAL, do you share information with the new key person or school about the child’s language development and the progress they have made during their time with you?  Do you pass on successful strategies you have already used to support the child? |  |  |  |
| Do you enable children to explore starting school through for example,providing school uniform in the role play area? |  |  |  |
| Do you share photos of the new room or school with the child and their family, including  pictures of the things they will need to take (uniform, lunch box, PE kit) and key times  in the day, with the words used e.g assembly, hall? |  |  |  |

* **Please note that the use of the word ‘staff’ may also apply to any assistants employed by a childminder.**