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Dear Hanen participant,

We are delighted to welcome you onto the *Learning Language and Loving It* — The Hanen Program[®] for Early Childhood Educators (Hanen LLLI) 2020. This training is being funded by the Education Endowment Foundation as part of a large-scale research trial.

Hanen LLLI helps early years practitioners to enhance children's communication and language skills through specialised ways of interacting and communicating with children during normal daily routines.

Below is a description of what you are required to do in order to complete the programme and to be awarded a Hanen certificate:

- a. Attend the Teacher Talk A and B revision group workshops and the 3 remaining workshops.**
- b. If you are unable to attend a workshop, you should get in touch to let us know.**
- c. Participate in the 5 remaining individual video self-reflection sessions.**
- d. Practise using the strategies you learn and share your experiences in the individual / group sessions.**

The *Learning Language and Loving It* Programme will be starting in November 2020 and will continue until May 2021. The training sessions will be conducted by a Hanen-licensed programme leader who is a Speech and Language Therapist (SLT) or an Early Years Consultant teacher (EYC).

The programme leader will provide individual video review sessions. These sessions are a valuable opportunity for you to reflect on the strategies you use when interacting with children and how they enhance the child's learning. These video clips will be viewed by you and the programme leader. The programme leader may choose a brief clip (maximum of 1 minute) that demonstrates effective use of the strategies, to share with the group at the next workshop. Video clips are stored on password protected laptops and are deleted at the end of the training programme (in July 2021).

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COVID-19 procedures

We plan for the first set of revision workshops (Teacher Talk A) to be delivered virtually (in Nov 2020). Depending on national and local COVID-19 related guidance we can then choose to deliver further workshops and individual video review sessions online or in person.

To see an updated version of all the COVID-19 precautions introduced to protect both the children and staff members please see our website <https://communicate-slt.org.uk/services/learning-language-and-loving-it-2/>

Communicate will collect information about training participants including:

- Name
- Job title
- Work contact details, e.g. phone number and email
- Personal contact details, e.g. phone number and email (if supplied by you)
- Relevant training and support records, e.g. attendance register
- Information and feedback about the support provided

A copy of our privacy statement setting out how your data may be used can be accessed via the following link <https://communicate-slt.org.uk/services/learning-language-and-loving-it-2/> Our legal basis for undertaking these videos is “legitimate interest”.

The National Centre for Social Research (NatCen) has been commissioned to conduct an independent evaluation of Hanen LLLI. The evaluation consists of a randomised control trial, whereby NatCen will compare children’s outcomes in schools that took part in the programme (treatment group) with those in schools that did not (control group). NatCen researchers will be observing some of the Hanen LLLI group workshops to understand how the programme works. They may also invite you to take part in interviews about your thoughts on the programme, and/or visit your nursery in the spring term to observe the video feedback sessions.

Please get in touch if you would like to discuss the programme further, or if you would like to know more about Communicate SLT CIC, the services we provide, or our privacy policy.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Coyne'.

Mrs Caroline Coyne
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