



Froebel Trust Courses: Tutor Recruitment

Apply by 9th September 2024 to join our next tutor training programme

The Froebel Trust's Courses

The Froebel Trust offers an extensive range of resources, practical information and training designed to support early childhood educators, parents, grandparents and carers and all those who work with young children.

We run a very successful [Short Courses](#) programme for early childhood educators and carers in schools and early years settings all over the UK. We also offer a Froebel [online course](#), which is provided via Zoom through 24 sessions of 2.5 hours each. This has allowed us to include colleagues who are working in other countries and/or do not have access to whole-team Froebel training.

Since 2021, demand for our training has grown by more than 500% and due to the popularity of both types of course, we are recruiting trainees to join our team of highly experienced Froebelian Travelling Tutors. Read more about the team on the [Short Courses webpage](#).

Froebelian Travelling Tutors

The tutors are led by [Dr Stella Louis, winner of Nursery World's Trainer of the Year Award in 2023](#) and are endorsed and supported by The Froebel Trust. Our tutors offer a broad range of specialisms, all from a Froebelian perspective, including nature and sustainability, creativity and the symbolic life of the child, music, dance, work with families, equality, diversity and inclusion, work with babies and very young children, outdoor learning, and observing and understanding children's play.

How to apply to join our tutor training programme

If you would like to be considered to join the training programme, please send a CV with a brief covering letter outlining why you are interested in becoming a Froebelian Travelling Tutor to courses@froebeltrust.org.uk

The deadline for applications is (UK time) **4pm on Monday 9 September 2024**.

Candidates who demonstrate that they meet the eligibility criteria may be invited to an interview via Zoom or similar. If successful, the candidate will be invited to join our tutor training programme.

Eligibility

We welcome applications from candidates worldwide. Please note that the Trust does not currently offer face-to-face Short Courses outside the UK and we regret that capacity prevents us from adapting the timings of this year's training sessions for different time zones.

To become a trainee tutor, candidates must meet the following criteria:

Experience

- Substantial experience of working with young children in a Froebelian early years setting and/or substantial experience of academic research and study of Froebelian pedagogy¹.
- Successful experience of teaching early years educators / teachers at in-service level or above².
- Ability to articulate Froebelian ideas and consider their relevance to practice in a range of early years settings.

Knowledge

- In depth knowledge of Froebelian principles and their application to current practice.
- Ability to articulate Froebelian ideas and consider their relevance to practice in a range of early years settings.
- Understanding of the content of the Froebel courses and their application to practice.
- Providing Professional Development

Applicants will also need to:

- Be willing to engage in further study, research and discussion on Froebelian pedagogy
- Be able to contribute to the advancement of Froebelian pedagogy

Tutor Training Programme

There is a rigorous training programme, and continued support to give as much guidance as possible. The training programme will start in October and will involve an introduction to the Froebelian approach and the 6 elements of the Froebel Trust's Short / Online courses. Training will take place via Zoom (online) on the following dates from 6pm to 8pm UK time:

- Thursday 10th October 2024
- Thursday 7th November 2024
- Thursday 5th December 2024
- Thursday 9th January 2025
- Thursday 6th February 2025
- Thursday 27 March 2025
- Thursday 8th April 2025 - Endorsement presentations

Trainees must attend all the training sessions³. After successfully completing the programme, each trainee will be expected to give a 10-minute presentation to a panel of experienced tutors and trustees before being endorsed by the Froebel Trust on 8 April 2025.

¹ 5 years' experience of working in a Froebelian setting [Froebelian setting defined as a setting whose published aims and objectives reflect those of the Trust and whose leadership team includes members holding the Froebel Certificate or who have completed the Froebel Short / Online course and / or 5 years' experience of academic research and study of Froebelian pedagogy evidenced in teaching and publications. Willing to visit Froebelian settings.

² Evidence of courses led, content, level, attendees. Evidence of successful outcomes e.g. evaluations, qualifications.

³ Please note all trainee travelling tutors will need to own a set of the Froebel Trust's pamphlets ([Froebel Trust | Pamphlets and guides](#)) and the Froebelian Gifts 1-6. The Gifts can be purchased from the Froebel Network website: www.froebelnetwork.org.uk

Important Information

Endorsed tutors are eligible to begin teaching the short / online courses alongside an experienced Froebelian Travelling Tutor.

An invitation to join our tutor training programme does not guarantee that you will become an endorsed tutor.

All our travelling tutors are paid competitive rates. They are self-employed and are liable to pay their own tax and national insurance.

We cannot guarantee how much work we will be able to offer you as a travelling tutor, as this depends on demand for courses and tutors' expertise and specialisms.

Our face-to-face courses take place all over the country and tutors travel to the settings, hence the name 'Froebelian Travelling Tutors'. Sometimes, this may include an overnight stay. Tutors make their own arrangements. Travel & accommodation costs are reimbursed.

Trainee and endorsed tutors do not have permission to deliver Froebel short / online course training independently of the Froebel Trust or to take / duplicate any of the materials used in the training and delivery of the Short / online courses.

All training materials are owned by the Froebel Trust and all Short / Online courses must be booked via the Froebel Trust.

Training to become a Travelling Tutor can be a long process, but you will be invited to join CPD sessions and other Froebel Trust events, which will help with your professional development.

For further information

If you have any questions, or require further information, please email courses@froebeltrust.org.uk

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