# Rationale for the Edexcel BTEC Level 1/Level 2 First Award in Children's Play, Learning and Development

Students will be able to gain prior knowledge of their own growth and development and that of their siblings, as well as reflecting on types of play they enjoyed when they were younger

- inspire and enthuse learners to consider a career in early years, or related sectors, where knowledge of child development is relevant
- give learners the opportunity to gain a broad knowledge and understanding of, and develop skills in, the early years sector, for example, of child development and using play to promote child development
- support progression to a more specialised level 3 vocational or academic course, such as in early years, health and social care or psychology, or an apprenticeship

This BTEC First qualification provides further pportunity to enhance and reinforce skills in English and mathematics in naturally occurring, relevant, work-related contexts.

### Module Title: 1

Unit 1 – Patterns of child development

# Module Title: 2

Unit -2 – Promoting Children's Development through Play

# Learning Intent for this module:

This unit aims to develop student knowledge and understanding of child development. You will learn about five different areas of development – physical, cognitive, communication and language, emotional and social – and how these areas are linked

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In this unit students will look at how early years settings use play to promote children's learning and development at different ages and stages, including babies, and the types of play opportunities that early years settings usually provide

# Key Content to be learned:

- understand growth and development in children
- understand the characteristics of children's development from birth up to eight years
- understand how adults in early years settings can support children's development.

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- understand how play promotes children's development in early years settings
- understand how different play opportunities promote children's development
- understand how play is structured in early years settings to promote children's development.

#### Key tasks for this module:

- Understand growth and development in children
- The links between areas of development and how each area may

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- Understand how play promotes children's development in early years settings
- How and why adults support children's play at different ages

- complement each other
- Understand the characteristics of children's development from birth up to eight years
- Understand how adults in early years settings can support children's development

Culminating in Exam in January of Year 10.

- Understand how different play opportunities promote children's development
- Understand how play is structured in early years settings to promote children's development

Culminating in fully completed Assignment of Unit 2 at the end of Year 10