Further Information & Bookings

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We will be in touch to confirm places on the course







Being a Parent

A FREE 9 week course for parents and carers of children aged between 2-11 years Crèche Available

Supporting parents to learn practical communication skills to enable our children to be, confident, happy and co-operative



Venue: Ashby Dates: 27th January – 31st March Day: Thursday's Times: 12:30-14:30

What does the EPEC Being a Parent Course Cover?

Being a Parent

- Getting to know each other
- Goals for parent and child
- 'Good enough' vs 'perfect' parent
- Taking care of ourselves

Feelings

- Remembering what it was like to be a child
- Acknowledging and accepting feelings
- Expressing feelings

Play and listening

• Non-directive play – Special time

Valuing my Child

- Avoiding 'labels' and describing behaviour
- Using descriptive praise to change behaviour

Understanding Children's behaviour

- Understanding children's needs and their behaviour in response to needs
- Discipline
- Commands, consequences, rewards and star charts



Discipline Strategies

- Understanding what we mean by boundaries
- Time out and saying 'No'
- Household rules

Listening

- Communication styles
- Helping a child when upset
- 'Open' and 'Closed' questions
- Reflective listening

Review and Support

- Coping with stress
- Reviewing the course & knowing where to get support
- Ending and celebration

What parents say about EPEC

- Because the volunteers are so good they have motivated me to keep bettering myself and improving parenting skills. Me following this has already had a positive impact on my home life and the children and school.

Parent Southampton Ashby Children's Centre

- I feel I have more confidence as a mum and a person. Really glad I took part in this course. Parent Southampton Townhill Children's Centre

