

SUMMER INDEPENDENT LEARNING

Group/Subject	AAQ BTEC Certificate in Early Childhood Development (Year 12 – 13)
Topic	Unit 4 - Enquiries into Current Research in Health and Social Care
Hours	6 – 8 hours
To be completed by	This work must be completed and handed in to your subject teacher on the first day of term.

In this final year of your studies at New Brinsworth Sixth Form, you will be sitting your Unit 2 exam in January 2027. This exam is a mandatory requirement for your qualification.

In order to prepare you for September teaching, we have set work which counts towards this unit, to be completed over the summer break. The content here is part of your learning so it must be done as well as you would in a classroom setting.

Within Unit 2, you will explore the responsibilities of a professional to maintain health and safety as well as ensuring effective safeguarding measures are in place. You will understand what to do in an emergency and when to address concerns about a child's welfare. This unit will be assessed through one examination of 80 marks lasting 1 hour and 45 minutes. You will be assessed through a number of multiple-choice, short- and long-answer questions. You will need to explore and relate to case studies presented. The questions will assess understanding of health, safety and safeguarding in early years settings.

Instructions:

- Complete all FOUR tasks in full.
- You need to hand write your answers for all four tasks, ***unless you are entitled to use computer/laptop as part of your access arrangements.*** You will be expected to use additional paper, ideally A4 in size and lined.

Unit 2 – Keeping Children Safe

Task 1: Legislation Research

Research and create a fact file on the following:

- ✓ Health and Safety at Work Act 1974
- ✓ COSHH
- ✓ Food Safety and Hygiene Regulations
- ✓ EYFS Safeguarding and Welfare Requirements
- ✓ United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)

For each, you must include:

- ✓ Purpose
- ✓ Key requirements
- ✓ Why it matters in early years settings

Task 2: Online Safety

Research:

- ✓ Risks children face online
- ✓ How practitioners can protect children
- ✓ How parents/carers can support safe technology use

You should present your findings as an infographic, poster or presentation.

Task 3: Early Years in the Real World

Choose an early years setting (e.g., your old primary school or nursery) and access their website. From their website, find the following information:

- ✓ What safeguarding information is available?
- ✓ What health and safety measures can you identify?
- ✓ What policies are available for parents?
- ✓ How does the setting keep children safe?

Task 4: Assessing Risks

Complete a risk assessment for one of the following:

- ✓ Forest school session
- ✓ Nursery garden
- ✓ Soft play centre visit
- ✓ Baking activity with children

You can use the below table to help you complete this:

Number	Hazard	Risk caused by hazard	Who is at risk and how they might be affected?	Scale of the risk	Actions needed to control the risk	Who needs to carry this action out?
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