

## Apply now to join the next Froebel Trust Online Course

Our online course is for everyone who works with young children (birth to 7 years). Previous participants have described the course as **'life changing'** and rate our tutors very highly.

You don't need any particular qualifications to join the course. It includes lots of discussion and opportunities to reflect. There are no written assignments.

The next Froebel Trust online course starts in September 2025 and we are accepting applications until **5pm** on the **4 July 2025**.

The fee for this course is £360 for all Six Elements (24 sessions). If your application is successful, you will receive a registration letter alongside an invoice on the 7 July 2025.

### Inspiring and supporting knowledgeable and nurturing educators

The course covers six themes, which are central to a [Froebelian approach to early childhood education and care](#). We call them the Elements of Froebelian practice:

1. An introduction to the principles and practices of a Froebelian approach to early childhood Education
2. The Gifts (and modern wooden blocks) and the Occupations
3. The importance of engaging with nature and outdoor learning
4. Play and the symbolic life of the child
5. Lullabies, family songs, finger plays, action songs and movement games
6. Equality, equity, diversity and inclusion

The course includes plenty of practical activities and it will:

- build on your current knowledge
- develop your practice
- inspire you in your on-going work with young children
- help you to embed Froebelian practice in your school, setting or organisation
- connect you with other educators who want to develop a Froebelian approach

The course is live and interactive, taking place via Zoom with experienced Froebel Trust Endorsed Tutors. Each Element is covered in four online sessions and each session lasts 2.5 hours. So the whole course involves 24 sessions / 60 hours of online learning.

## Course timetable

The Froebel Trust's online course has four timetable options. If you apply for a place, you will be asked to tell us which one you prefer. We will do our best to match applicants to their preferred option. Please check the timetables on page 3. Sessions are UK time.

- Option A: Sept 2025 to July 2026. Session time Tuesday 3.30 to 6pm
- Option B: Sept 2025 to July 2026. Session time Tuesday 6.30 to 9pm
- Option C: Sept 2025 to July 2026. Session time Wednesday 3.30 to 6pm
- Option D: Sept 2025 to July 2026. Session time Wednesday 6.30 to 9pm

## How to apply for a place on the course

1. Please read all the guidance notes before completing the application form. You must be working with young children to apply for a place. If you work in an advisory or other capacity, please contact us to discuss alternatives options. Email: [courses@froebeltrust.org.uk](mailto:courses@froebeltrust.org.uk)

2. Fill in the online application form and submit it by 5pm on Friday 4 July 2025.

3. To complete an application, click this link or copy and paste it into your browser:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FroebelOnlineCourse25-26>

4. After you submit your application you will see an automatic message on screen, which confirms we have received your application. If you do not see that message, please check that you have clicked 'Submit'.

5. **We will contact you by 7 July 2025** to tell you whether you have a place on the course. Our courses are very popular and we regret that it may not be possible to offer places to all applicants.

6. If you have any questions about the course, or need the application form in a different format, please get in touch with us by email: [courses@froebeltrust.org.uk](mailto:courses@froebeltrust.org.uk)

### Option A

**Tuesday 3.30 to 6pm**

Element 1	Element 2	B R E A K	Element 3	Element 4	Element 5	Element 6
02-Sep	28-Oct		06-Jan	03-Mar	21-Apr	09-Jun
16-Sep	11-Nov		20-Jan	17-Mar	05-May	23-Jun
30-Sep	25-Nov		03-Feb	31-Mar	19-May	07-Jul
14-Oct	09-Dec		17-Feb	14-Apr	02-Jun	21-Jul

### Option B

**Tuesday 6.30 to 9pm**

Element 1	Element 2	B R E A K	Element 3	Element 4	Element 5	Element 6
02-Sep	28-Oct		06-Jan	03-Mar	21-Apr	09-Jun
16-Sep	11-Nov		20-Jan	17-Mar	05-May	23-Jun
30-Sep	25-Nov		03-Feb	31-Mar	19-May	07-Jul
14-Oct	09-Dec		17-Feb	14-Apr	02-Jun	21-Jul

### Option C

**Wednesday 3.30 to 6pm**

Element 1	Element 2	B R E A K	Element 3	Element 4	Element 5	Element 6
03-Sep	29-Oct		07-Jan	04-Mar	22-Apr	10-Jun
17-Sep	12-Nov		21-Jan	18-Mar	06-May	24-Jun
01-Oct	26-Nov		04-Feb	01-Apr	20-May	08-Jul
15-Oct	10-Dec		18-Feb	15-Apr	03-Jun	22-Jul

### Option D

**Wednesday 6.30 to 9pm**

Element 1	Element 2	B R E A K	Element 3	Element 4	Element 5	Element 6
03-Sep	29-Oct		07-Jan	04-Mar	22-Apr	10-Jun
17-Sep	12-Nov		21-Jan	18-Mar	06-May	24-Jun
01-Oct	26-Nov		04-Feb	01-Apr	20-May	08-Jul
15-Oct	10-Dec		18-Feb	15-Apr	03-Jun	22-Jul

## Important Dates

<b>4 July 2025</b>	Deadline for applications
<b>7 July 2025</b>	Registration letter and invoice issued to successful applicants
<b>21 July 2025</b>	Deadline for cancellations and refunds
<b>4 August 2025</b>	Deadline for payment of course fee
<b>26 August 2025</b>	Course handbooks sent out
<b>2 September 2025</b>	Tuesday courses begin (Options A and B)
<b>3 September 2025</b>	Wednesday courses begin (Options C and D)

## **Course Policy – please read carefully.**

You must be working with young children to apply for a place on this course.

You do not need to be working in the UK to apply for this course but you should consider whether the UK session times are suitable for your time zone.

You need to have a stable internet connection and be able to sign into Zoom meetings.

You must provide us with an email address that will be valid when the course starts. This is so we can send you the course handbook and Zoom link.

You will need a webcam and microphone enabled for all the sessions and a quiet space where you can learn without interruptions or distractions.

You or your employer will need to pay the course fee by **4 August 2025**. Payments should be made via bank transfer and in UK pounds.

If you are offered a place, you will be allocated to a course group with other applicants. Groups are usually limited to 25 participants.

We will do our best to offer your preferred timetable and session time (Tuesday or Wednesday, from 3.30 to 6pm or 6.30pm to 9pm UK time).

It is not normally possible to swap between timetable options or session days / times once you have been allocated to a group and the course has begun.

By taking part in a course you agree to sessions being recorded. Recordings are password protected and time-limited. They are only shared with people who are involved in a Froebel Trust course. This means that if you receive a link to watch a recording, you must not share it with anyone who is not a member of your course group.

You should commit to attending all the live course sessions. There are 24 sessions in total.

If unexpected events prevent you from attending a live session, you must let us know by sending apologies to [courses@froebeltrust.org.uk](mailto:courses@froebeltrust.org.uk)

If you miss a live session, you will be sent a link to watch the recording. You must watch the recording and complete the associated task before the next course session takes place. You must contact us to let us know you have done so by emailing [courses@froebeltrust.org.uk](mailto:courses@froebeltrust.org.uk). It is your responsibility to let us know that you have watched a recording and completed a task.

To be awarded course certificates (one per Element) you must complete all the sessions. A minimum of 3 per Element must be completed via attendance at the live sessions.

The course language is English. Subtitles can be enabled in Zoom but we cannot provide translation into other languages.

## **Cancellation Policy**

If you are offered a place on the course but decide you don't want to take it, please tell us as soon as possible so we can offer it to someone on our waiting list.

By law, you have 14 days from 7 July 2025 to cancel your place. If you have paid the course fee and tell us in writing that you want to cancel before 21 July 2025, you will receive a full refund.

If you accept a waiting list place, you will have 14 days from the invoice date to cancel and receive a refund of anything you have paid.