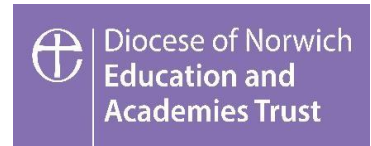




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### Primary PGCE Trainees

Hello, our names are Ellie Le Moel and Abbigail Holt.

We are training to teach in your child's class.

As part of our studies, we need to collect information about the children for our assignments. **However, we won't use any children's names or the name of the school in them.**

All information will be kept in a safe place following the school's policies and UK GDPR (2018) and we won't keep any information once we have finished our course.

**If you are happy for information about your child to be part of our coursework**, you do not need to do anything.

**If you don't want us to use information about your child in our course work**, please let us, Mrs Dack or the school office know. We will still collect information about your child as part of our role as their teacher but it will not be used for any assignments.

If you change your mind later, that's ok. Just tell Mrs Dack or the school office that you don't want your child's information being used.

If you have any questions, please ask us or Mrs Dack.

If you are not happy with how we are doing the study or how we treat you, then you can email one of the PGCE Co-Course Directors, Martin Smith ([Martin.D.Smith@uea.ac.uk](mailto:Martin.D.Smith@uea.ac.uk)) or Sarah Brownsword ([S.Brownsword@uea.ac.uk](mailto:S.Brownsword@uea.ac.uk)). Should you wish to make a complaint to someone independent from the Primary PGCE course, please contact the Head of the School of Education and Lifelong Learning, Professor Yann Lebeau, at [Y.Lebeau@uea.ac.uk](mailto:Y.Lebeau@uea.ac.uk).

This will play an important part in us becoming teachers and we are very much looking forward to working with your child in school.

Yours sincerely,

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Ellie Le Moel

# Primary PGCE Child Studies and Understanding How Children Learn

## What we will be doing

We have to study children to help us learn how to teach well. To do this, we will:

- Talk to children to find out about what they like doing at school and at home.
- Make notes of what children do during the school day.
- Find out what they need help with.
- See what they like to do at playtimes.

## Teaching

We will also teach the children in line with the appropriate curriculum and the school's teaching and learning policies. We will study some children to see how they learn. When we are teaching, we will:

- Listen to how they talk and work together.
- Read to and with them.
- Talk to them about their work.
- Watch what they do and how they do it.
- Gather examples of work and of them engaging with learning.
- Talk to children about what they know and think.
- Encourage children to ask questions to help them find out more.
- Use our observations to help us think about how we can teach children better.