



TUNING IN TO CHILDREN; EXPLORING THE IMPORTANCE OF EFFECTIVE INTERACTIONS IN BUILDING CHILDREN'S BRAINS - *Led by Ruth Swailes*



**NEW FOR
2026/27**

DESCRIPTION

AUDIENCE

Early Years Foundation Stage Teachers, Leaders and Practitioners

Ruth Swailes is an award- winning Early Years specialist with more than 30 years' experience working in Education. She has taught children from aged 2 – 11. A former Primary Headteacher and Ofsted Inspector, Ruth currently works as a School Improvement Advisor and Early Years Advisor for Local Authorities and MATS and as an Independent Consultant in the UK and internationally. Ruth is the lead developer and author of the Oxford International Early Years Curriculum for 2–6-year-olds and leads the OUPEY training for schools internationally.

She has recently published an award winning third book, “A Manifesto for Early Years” to accompany her previous books, “A child centred EYFS” and “Early Childhood Theories Today” with her co-author Dr Aaron Bradbury. Ruth was named “Nursery World Trainer of the Year” in 2021 and an “International Edruptor” by ISC Research in 2022.



Ruth Swailes

In this training session Ruth will share a wealth of research and child development knowledge to reflect upon how we can develop and build interactions that support children's learning.

Ruth will encourage delegates to reflect on their current practice and share practical strategies and reflection tools to support practitioners to build effective interactions into their curriculum in a meaningful and appropriate way. Ruth will also use the most current publications from the DFE and Ofsted to empower delegates to articulate their approaches to others.

All delegates will be provided with simple audit tools that they can use immediately to support their thinking and will leave with a clear action plan identifying the next steps in their interaction journey.

DETAILS

Venue	Date	Time	Book your place
Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC)	(Fri) 26/02/2027	Arrival & registration for 09:00am Run time: 09:15 - 15:00	BOOK NOW →

Cost Details
£149 for the first delegate Maintained £99 for subsequent delegates from the same school £159 for the first delegate Academies £109 for subsequent delegates from the same school

 Lunch and other refreshments will be provided for attendees during the day.
Please state any dietary requirements when booking onto this course.



Please Note: Failure to attend, without 5 working days notification prior to the event, will incur a full charge.