





Getting It Right in the Baby Room

Middlesex University, London 8 March 2025

About the conference

'Getting it right in the baby room' is a conference dedicated to baby room educators and nursery managers. Today will be an inspiring day with incredible speakers, delicious food, engaging workshops and the chance to network with early years professionals from across London.

This conference is part of the research project 'Achieving high-quality provision in the baby room of English nurseries', funded by the Nuffield Foundation.

We will be exploring big questions around the baby room, including:

- What does a great baby room look like?
- What makes an amazing baby room educator?
- What do babies need and how can we make sure the baby room delivers?

By attending this conference, you'll be sharing your voice around the future of quality in the baby room. To learn more, visit thebabyroomblog.com

Plan for the day

| 9.30 am | Registration and coffee |
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| 10.00 am | Keynote |
| 10.30 am | Focus group |
| 11.15 am | Coffee |
| 11.30 am | Workshop 1 |
| 12.45 pm | Lunch |
| 1.45 pm | Workshop 2 |
| 3.00 pm | Tea and plenary |
| 3.45 pm | Finish |

The research team



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About the speakers



Dr Gemma Goldenberg is a psychologist and education expert with 2 decades of experience working in nurseries and primary schools. A writer and speaker, Gemma uses the latest brain science to help us understand what babies need and how our practice in the baby room responds to these needs.



Debbie Brace is a specialist trainer in the early language development and behaviour of babies and young children. Working directly with families and early years practitioners, Debbie also sits on the executive committee of the Association of Infant Mental Health UK.





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