



# Froebelian Futures











# Fully Funded Certificate Programmes For Early Years Practitioners & Professionals

Level One: Froebel and early childhood, an introduction



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Every child should be accepted as an indispensable and essential member of the human race

Friedrich Froebel (1782-1852)

"Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them, and to have their views considered and taken seriously."

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, Article 12

#### **About Froebelian Futures**

Froebelian Futures aims to empower and connect people working with young children via the radically child-centered practices of the the original kindergarten movement, founded by Friedrich Froebel (1782-1852). Froebel's pedagogy has experienced a huge resurgence in recent years as children's rights become central in debates about social and educational practice. Scotland, one of the hubs of this activity, now emphasises Froebelian practice in its national curriculum – and we are delighted to share and grow in this work with our international partners, including Greece's Network for Children's Rights.

## The training

Froebelian Futures will offer three levels of training in Athens in 2022-24:

- Level One an introduction to Froebel and early childhood, certificated by Cowgate Under 5s and the Network for Children's Rights (March 2023 online details below).
- **Level Two** Practitioner Inquiry training developing "on the job" research skills for practitioners to help you actively strengthen children's rights in day-to-day early learning and childcare. Certificated by the University of Edinburgh (July 2023 in person).
- Level Three Froebelian Leadership building leadership skills to inspire broader social and policy change for young children's everyday lives, based on Froebel's principles. Certificated by The University of Edinburgh (Spring 2024 in person).

Participants must undertake each level in order to progress to the next one, but there is no obligation to undertake all three levels. **All training is delivered free of charge** thanks to generous support from The Froebel Trust (Froebel.org.uk).

### Level One – An introduction to Froebel and early childhood

**When:** Online (Zoom), 3.30 – 5.30pm, on 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21 March 2023.

**What:** You will learn widely about Froebel's own practice as well as current Froebelian thinking, in relation to children's rights, social justice, play, learning, inclusion and anti-racism. Assessment: There is no formal assessment for this course, but you will be asked to keep a reflective journal about your practice and summarise it for the network online.

Training will be held in English.

**To express your interest,** please email Αγγελική Δημούλια at a.dimoulia@ddp.gr