



CENTRES REVEAL CRISIS IN EARLY LEARNING

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95% have had staff leaving the centre in the past 12 months – and of those 85% have had 3 or more staff leave the centre.

87% have current staff vacancies and of those 62% have 3 or more current vacancies.

46% currently have caps on specific rooms due to staffing constraints.

59% say that have had to use agency staff to meet ratio for the past 12 months, with 18% needing to use it daily and a further 20% on a weekly basis.

79% have waitlists for children already enrolled to pick up extra days – and of those 13% say that wait list is 12 months or more.

74% have waitlists for siblings of existing enrolments to get a place - and of those 22% the wait list is 12 months or more.

92% have waitlists for new families - and of those 33% the wait list is 12 months or more.

67% agree that staff shortages in the past 12 months have impacted the wellbeing or safety of children.

72% agree that staff shortages in the past 12 months have impacted educational outcomes.

82% agree that staff shortages in the past 12 months have impacted the wellbeing or safety of educators.