

Grants awarded under the Armed Forces Family Fund: Early Years programme 2022/23 - February 2023

18 grants totalling £903,546

Organisation	Project Title	Grant Amount (£)	Project Description
Scotland			
Drumfork Nursery and Family Centre	Reducing Early Years Attainment Gap	£33,060.00	Reducing Early Years Attainment Gap' will focus on meeting the Service children's additional Support Needs, such as speech and language delays, attachment issues and developmental delays. This project aims to provide service-children and families with high-quality support for additional support needs, to reduce the attainment gap between service and non-service children.
Bright Horizons Daycare Centre	Expansion for Growth	£79,000.00	Expansion for Growth' will facilitate an increase in capacity for Service children by enabling expansion to the current classroom footprint through the erection of an external canopy. This project will also promote, increase, and broaden children's learning experiences and opportunities through the outdoors.
Wales			
Swallow Playgroup	Support and Wellbeing at Swallow's	£43,945.00	This project will support the needs of Service children by boosting their wellbeing, in both the outdoors and indoors, learning environment. 'Support and Wellbeing at Swallow's' will create a calming environment which will allow children boost their confidence and communication skills.
England			
Catterick Garrison Preschool Group	Achieving Really Magical Military Years	£23,700.00	The project will create an imaginative outdoor space where Service children can thrive, through the awe and wonder of nature. This project will enable children to develop their ability to make choices; pursue independence and develop imagination whilst engaging

			in first-hand experiences in an inclusive environment, supported by understanding adults.
Brambles Outdoor Nursery	Brambles Outdoor Project	£28,762.00	This project will enable 'Brambles Outdoor Project' to expand their support for local Service children through the expansion and improvement of their outdoor learning environment, in conjunction with the reorganisation and remedial building work, within their main building.
RAFA Kidz Medmenham	Igniting a Brighter Future	£47,119.00	'Ignite a Brighter Future' will provide Service children with new, exciting, and challenging resources that will help further their learning and development as well as nurturing children's independence and curiosity.
Naval Under Fives (Eastern Area)	Outdoor Learning, Developing Enabling Environments.	£78,685.00	This project will create an outdoor learning space for Service children to boost both their physical and mental well-being. The created spaces will provide learning opportunities and new sensory experiences, resulting in improved social skills; self-esteem; physical skills; communication and language and help Service children reach their full potential.
Action for Children	Accessing the outdoors 365 days	£51,000.00	This project will give young children from Service families the ability to access outdoor learning facilities at all times of the year. This project will create shade, shelter, and opportunities for the children, develop, grow, reflect and play during their time at nursery.
Sandlings Playgroup & Wrap around Provision	Project Outdoor Classrooms	£36,125.00	'Project Outdoor Classrooms' will support and complete the development of Sandlings Playgroup's outdoor spaces. Areas will be safe, stimulating and engaging, allowing Service children vast opportunities to explore, create, question, and immerse themselves in nature as independent learners.
TnB Early Years	Operation Muddy Boots	£51,201.00	This project will redesign and improve the outside environment to support military children's mental, emotional and physical development. 'Operation Muddy Boots' will support military families with a welcoming and

			inclusive space to make meaningful connections with others, reducing isolation.
Catterick Garrison Preschool Group	Wet weather doesn't stop play	£23,500.00	This project will provide an enclosed, sheltered space allowing children of all ages access to outdoor provision, even when muddy, wet and snowy. 'Wet Weather Doesn't Stop Play' will enable Service children to thrive in an outdoor learning environment while developing their senses.
Bright Horizons Family Solutions	RAF Northolt Nursery Garden Enhancements	£40,460.00	RAF Northolt Nursery Garden Enhancements' will support serving families, as well as the local community, by providing high-quality childcare through Bright Horizons Family Solutions. This project will enhance the current garden facility to provide further opportunities for delight and wonder for RAF Northolt children, as well as enhanced learning through play.
RAF Association	RAFA Kidz Odiham	£43,638.00	This project will enable 'RAFA Kidz Odiham' to enrich the learning and development of Service children via the provision of new equipment and resources in its two outdoor learning areas to promote and encourage healthy and active lifestyles
RAF Association	RAFA Kidz Leeming	£51,781.00	RAFA Kidz Leeming' will enrich the learning and development of Service children via new, high-quality, and robust resources and equipment to engage children's' senses, encourage creativity, inspire imagination, and provide a connection to their unique surroundings
RAF Association	RAFA Kidz Digby	£80,000.00	This project will enable 'RAFA Kidz Digby' to redesign and transform its outdoor space, providing Service children with a great place to learn and develop via outdoor resources and equipment to inspire their imagination, support inclusive play, enhance their social skills, and promote physical activity.
RAF Association	RAFA Kidz Cranwell	£80,000.00	This project will enable 'RAFA Kidz Cranwell' to enrich the learning and development of Service children by refurbishing its outdoor space - replacing the wetpour

			safety flooring and canopy shelter to promote and encourage healthy and active lifestyles.
Spring RAF Waddington	Boosting Children's Skills Post Covid	£43,570.00	This project will upskill all members of staff to support Service children in the prime areas of the Early Years Foundation Stage which provide the foundations for the ability to learn; and to offer young Service children targeted support with challenges that they may be experiencing. Assessment toolkits, in conjunction with training and improved resources, will help to facilitate targeted child and family support.
Sunny Days Children's Nursery Lyneham	Project Garden Transformation	£68,000.00	This project will refurbish an outdoor area with the aim of creating an inspirational outdoor space for young children from Service families. This natural outdoor playground, with sustainable playground equipment, will create a free-flow environment facilitating outdoor learning and developmental opportunities.
Total Awarded		£903,546.00	