Dear Early Years and Childcare Providers

Please see below this week's Government updates for you and your staff. There are no particular updates for families this week.

Updates for the Sector

<u>Regulator warns against purchasing inaccurate infrared thermometers</u> 27 July 2021 First published: The public and healthcare professionals are being warned to take care when purchasing infrared thermometers online and to familiarise themselves with warning signs for poor quality products.

<u>Claim a grant through the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme</u> 28 July 2021 The online service for the fifth grant is now available. Guidance on what to do after you have applied has also been updated.

<u>Tell HMRC and pay back a Self-Employment Income Support Scheme grant</u> 28 July 2021

Guidance about if you have amended your tax return has been updated. Guidance on what to do after you have applied has also been updated.

Coronavirus (COVID-19): what to do if you're self-employed and getting less work or no work 26 July 2021

Removed guidance on what you could claim if you're off work because you're shielding. Shielding in England, Scotland and Wales has stopped and the time limit for making a backdated claim has passed. Also removed information about easement on Self-Assessment payment as this has now ended.

<u>Quarantine and testing if you've been in an amber list country</u> 27 July 2021 Added information on the UK vaccine programme overseas. Clarified the quarantine and testing requirements for children and young people.