Community Champion Training



What we do and why

At Maths on Toast, the family maths charity, our mission is to give families and communities enjoyable, hands-on, creative experiences of maths; and the opportunity to explore and 'play' with maths that relates to everyday life and the world around us.

We develop activities, resources, projects, products and programmes and we work with families, communities, libraries, schools and partner organisations.

Broadening perceptions of what maths is and where it is found, and building a positive, can-do attitude and the confidence to investigate and explore, to try and test are crucial elements in shaping an able and resilient maths learner.

Maths on Toast Community Champion Programme Overview

Maths on Toast Community Champion training helps and supports partner organisations and practitioners to offer regular, positive and meaningful engagements with maths in a hands-on, accessible, family-friendly and fun way. By learning our approach, practitioners can simply and confidently use the resources and guidance provided – potentially resulting in more practitioner time available for delivery, as less time is needed on research and development of resources. The training provides practitioners with the knowledge, skills and confidence to support families with maths in their own settings using the Maths on Toast toolkit, to include:

- 5 Key Principles underpinning the Maths on Toast approach
- Maths on Toast Confidence Loop
- The Toast Model for understanding and supporting feelings
- Sample Maths on Toast activities
- A pack of Number Rumbler Maths on Toast's award winning card game designed to develop number sense and practise times tables

Maths on Toast activities are designed to inspire, engage, and encourage exploration – this can be a very different way of doing maths for many families and communities and this approach is effective in engaging even the most reluctant maths learners.

Who is this programme for?

Family learning or community practitioners and educators based in or across a range of settings: local authorities, charities and NGOs, museum-based or outreach practitioners, libraries, schools-based family link staff or outreach staff working with schools. You do not need to be a maths expert to become a Maths on Toast Community Champion!

What's provided?

Training

- Full day training
- Follow up half day training/reflective practise session
- Presentation used in training provided for reference
- Email support
- Champion practitioner catch-ups
- Certificate



Resources

Option 1: 12 month package

1 activity per month to include:

- Maths on Toast 'menu' of activities and topic explanation
- Associated templates and additional activity sheets
- 'Champion' practitioner guidance and delivery plan
- Parent hand-outs/explainers: top tips; pedagogical benefits to Maths on Toast approach
- Publicity material available: sample flyers, posters
- Monitoring and evaluation tools

Option 2: 4 week package

4 activities designed to be delivered over 4 weeks

The 4 week package provides a comprehensive set of resources to run 4 sessions with families – parents and their children – as accredited Maths on Toast Champions. This programme suits educators wishing to work with parents who are ready to engage and learn more about how they can support and encourage a love of maths at home. Family maths evaluation tools and Champion practitioner catch-ups are part of the programme.

Please note: Organisations must sign a memorandum of understanding and practitioners undergo training provided by Maths on Toast before they can deliver sessions with Maths on Toast resources. They will be accredited as 'Maths on Toast Champions' and all resources will be provided. All sessions offered under the Maths on Toast banner and using Maths on Toast resources must be free at the point of access. Data and evaluation information must be provided using the agreed method.

Cost

Full Day Training £150 per practitioner

12 month resource package £1500 per organisation (annual cost including a £300 licence fee)

4 week package £600 per organisation (one-off cost including a lifetime licence fee)

The licence fee accredits the organisation to use Maths on Toast resources/logo.