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## Second PARS conference!

In October 2020 we held our first ever PARS playwork conference, which resulted in many requests from all around the world for another one!

This year we celebrate International Children's Day with the theme '**PARS Playwork – the pro-child profession**'. Academics, policy makers and PARS practitioners from all around the world will present their ideas and experience about what it means to be a 'pro-child profession' from a wide range of different contexts, disciplines and perspectives.

Like our first conference, PARS 2021 will be a 12 hour marathon, running from 8am - 8pm UK time. Book now to join 28 speakers from 13 different countries, including Russia, Canada, Iceland, USA and Mongolia!

This online conference is open to anyone interested in the PARS playwork approach to working with children.



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## COMMON THREADS BECOMES AN NCFE AWARD CENTRE

Common Threads has just been approved by UK Awarding Body NCFE as an international Award Centre and will begin offering accredited playwork qualifications around the world in the next few months.

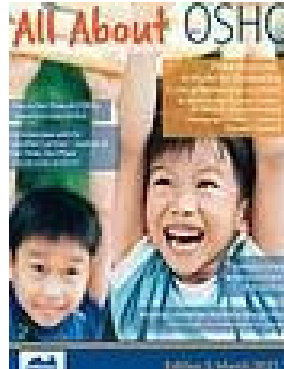
Approval as an NCFE Award Centre involves undergoing a comprehensive and thorough review to ensure that an organisation meets of a wide range of quality criteria, from management and administration systems to high standards of delivery and assessment.

Having delivered playwork training in many different countries around the world for the last 20+ years, we are really pleased that the quality of our training is now officially recognised by NCFE.

We are currently expanding our PARS playwork training team to 19 trainers in 9 different countries.

[www.commonthreads.org.uk](http://www.commonthreads.org.uk)

## PARS Feature



Read a fantastic feature about the development of the PARS model of playwork practice and how it is being used in Australian out of school care.

<https://www.noshsa.org.au/allaboutoshc>

## REFLEXIONS 15th June

The creator of @parsplaywork Dr Shelly Newstead. will be online on 15th June to support PARS practitioners in developing their reflexive practice. Book a ticket for this FREE Reflexions session to receive a Zoom link and then join any time between 9 – 10am UK time.

