

Spotlight on... Poster Pack

Our FREE Poster Pack has been designed to provide you with posters you can use to help inform parents, as a quick check guide for you and to build and maintain children's well-being which is the foundation of everything else you do with and for your minded children.

The pack contains:

- Allergens Information Poster
- British Values Poster
- Cultural Capital Poster
- Handwashing Poster
- Welcome Poster
- Wish Fish
- Learning about Responsibilities
- Proud Cloud
- 'Think' - communicating safely online

This article focuses on two of the posters that have been designed to build and maintain a child's wellbeing.

Wish Fish

As well as an aid to children's wellbeing, you can use the Wish Fish to create evidence of how you use children's interests and ideas in your childminding practice.

Print Wish Fish onto card or laminate and display where children can see it. When children request activities or outings etc. you can make a note on a post it or dry wipe marker, with child's name and what they have wished for and stick to Wish Fish for future reference. When you later provide that activity for the children, they know you are

taking their wishes seriously, are keeping them in mind when they aren't with you and responding to their voice.

For those of you who keep development records, you can include the post it or image of the child's wish on the Wish Fish.

You wouldn't write down everything the children ask for as many things you will just respond to at the time. But this is a useful way of storing up ideas that you can't action straight away. (Such as making gingerbread men just before pick up time, or because you need to plan and shop for ingredients before you can do it) or having a list of things you know the child will be interested in when you have some slots in your planned day that you would like to fill with something meaningful for the child.

Proud Cloud

Children love to be praised and told that they have done well/tried well and that their important adults are proud of them or they are proud of themselves. It helps build their self-esteem and self-confidence. Having a visual reminder of those moments can help them to know they are valued, and it can also be an exciting reminder for little ones to show their parents at home time.

Print Proud Cloud onto card or laminate it and display where children can see it. You can either use post it notes or a whiteboard marker if your Proud Cloud is laminated.

It can be used in a variety of ways depending on the age and stage of development of the children:

- You can add notes when you are proud of something one of the children has done
- Children can either add or ask you to add notes if they have done something they are proud of themselves
- Children can either add or ask you to add notes when they are proud of something one of the other children (or even you) has done.

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