

HOW CAN WE HELP AT HOME? KS1 & KS2



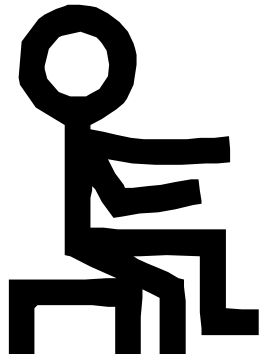
Supporting Children's Attention & Listening Skills

- Gain the child's attention, by calling their name before instructions are given
- Where possible, keep activities short
- Agree with the child how long they need to participate in an activity that has been chosen by another person
- Give a visual idea of the length of a task using a sand timer/time timer
- Use motivating activities in between structured activities to expand the child's concentration period
- Use 'finished' after each activity to reinforce structure
- Be positive and specific about desired behaviours (e.g. 'walk and hold my hand' rather than 'don't run')
- Offer the child praise when they have achieved an activity / a positive desired behaviour
- Use the child's interests to support engagement and attention for tasks e.g. dinosaurs, sport, animals
- Use positive prompts (e.g. 'good sitting' 'good listening' etc.) to support the child's attention and listening skill - please see 'positive rules poster' below

If you require any further support/advice please contact via the following email

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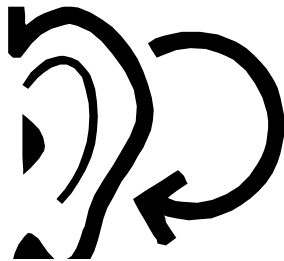
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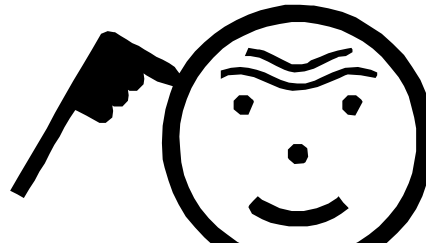
Good sitting



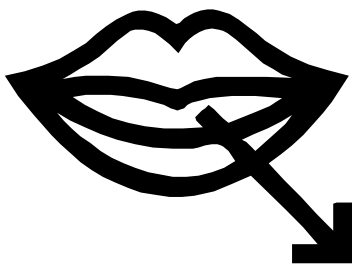
Good looking



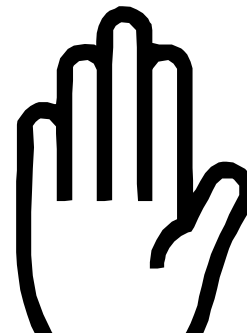
Good listening



Good thinking



Good talking



Good waiting

Positive Rules