

Continuous provision ideas: What makes us special?

These optional activities are designed to complement the learning objectives of the 'What makes us special?' unit. They reinforce core learning across different areas of provision, promote independence and cater to various learning types.





Reading area

Provide a selection of fiction books where a character shows kindness to others and non fiction books about people who help us.

Creative area

Provide smooth pebbles, paint, brushes and paint. Encourage children to decorate the pebbles with colourful designs. Explain that these kindness pebbles can be given to others to brighten their day or placed in the playground for other children to find and enjoy.

Outdoor area

Provide a variety of natural materials such as leaves, twigs, flowers, acorns and pebbles. Ask children to create faces on the ground, representing themselves and showing what makes them special.

Role play area

Provide uniforms and accessories for role-playing people who help us such as nurses, vets, police offices and teachers. Encourage children to engage in role-play by acting out the roles of these helpers, discussing how each one cares for people.

Small world area

Provide small world figures to help children act out the stories 'The Lost Sheep' and 'Jesus and the Little Children.' Include items such as sheep, shepherds, people and scenery pieces like fields and hills. Encourage children to use these figures to retell the stories, discussing the messages of caring for others.

Fine motor area

Provide a clear jar labelled with 'Kindess jar', small pom-poms and tweezers.When a child sees or performs an act of kindness, they use tweezers to place a pom-pom in the jar.