



Picture News

In the Early Years

Speaking and Listening

EYFS Framework: Children are confident to speak in a familiar group. They show sensitivity to others' needs and feelings, and form positive relationships with adults and other children.

Look at the Picture News poster: What can you see? Have you seen the characters in this picture before?

Tell the children this picture has been taken from a television advert. A shop called John Lewis always brings out a new advert at this time of year.

Think about: What is an advert? What do you think adverts are for?

In the shop John Lewis, you can buy all sorts of things such as clothes, toys and gifts for grown-ups. John Lewis was in the news because they weren't sure if they should make a new advert this year because of everything we have all been through with the coronavirus, but they changed their mind and instead made an extra special one.

Watch the John Lewis advert (see useful video section).

Think about: What do you see happening in the advert? Do you like this advert? Why? Which bit did you like best?

Question: How can we show we care?

The John Lewis advert is showing lots of people being kind to other people in lots of different ways. When we do things for other people or just help them, we can show that we care.

Listen to the children on the **EY Resource**, who tell us all about a time when another child has shown them kindness.

Think about: Can you think of when someone showed you some kindness? What happened? How did it make you feel? Can you think about how you could show one of your friends kindness? What could you do? How do you think it would make them feel?

Useful Video

John Lewis Christmas Advert 2020

www.youtube.com/watch?v=Juv2c0xgGno

Tuft Tray: Can you make a recipe of kindness?

EYFS Framework: Uses talk to organise, sequence and clarify thinking, ideas and feelings.

Think about: Who are you going to make your recipe for? What would you like to put in it? Why? Can you use the ingredients list to help you? What will you make with your recipe?

Resources: bowls, wooden spoons, kindness ingredients list (see EY Additional Resource 1), bowls of different objects such as: compare bears, plastic letters, counters with smiles drawn on, cubes, gemstones, dice, cake/bun trays

Writing: Can you write a kind message to show someone you care?

EYFS Framework: Gives meaning to marks they make as they draw, write and paint. Uses some clearly identifiable letters to communicate meaning, representing some sounds correctly and in sequence.

Discuss one way to show that we care about someone is to say or write kind messages.

Think about: Who would you like to write a message to? Why? What would you like to say in your message? What kind things have you seen your friend do? Can you think of something to say that will make your friend smile?

Resources: Drawing and writing proforma (See EY Additional Resource 2), pencils, sound mats
You could make a display of all the kind messages or hang them onto a kindness tree.

Maths: Can you count how many acts of kindness you see in your classroom?

EYFS Framework: Estimates how many objects they can see and checks by counting them.

Give the children a plastic container and ask them to walk around the classroom looking for children being kind to others. Every time they see someone being kind, they add an object/counter to their container. After 5 minutes each child can empty their container and count how many acts of kindness they saw in the classroom.

Think about: How many acts of kindness do you think you have seen? Can you count the number of objects in your container to find out? How many did you see? Can you count how many times your friend saw people being kind? Did they see people being kind more or fewer times than you did? How do you know?

Resources: Empty plastic containers, counting objects

Exploring mixed media and materials: Can you make a special gift for a friend?

EYFS Framework: Constructs with a purpose in mind, using a variety of resources.

Think about: What would you like to make for your friend? What kind of things does your friend like? I wonder what their favourite colour is! What are you going to use to make your gift? How will you attach the different parts together? Do you need to wrap your gift? What could you use to wrap it?

Resources: Junk modelling materials, glue sticks, tape, coloured card and paper, felt tip pens, sequins, ribbons