

What's it all about?

Definition

Collaboration is about working together, learning from each other, and being respectful of each other's needs and ideas. This is something children need to learn through feedback and support, as well as opportunities to work together with sustained shared thinking. They also need strong role models.



What it is not

Collaboration is not just having the children together in a group time, nor is it just about learning turn taking skills. It is important that this is happening through planned and spontaneous opportunities.

Collaboration



Supports

NQS -

4.2.1 - Professional collaboration

5.2.1 - Collaborative learning

QA6 - Collaborative partnerships with families and communities

Learning

Framework -

Principle - Collaborative learning and teamwork

LO2 - Children are connected with and contribute to their world

How to achieve it



Identify opportunities for children to work together in small groups and even across the service, to allow them to build skills in learning how to read and respond to the needs of others.



Make sure that educators are working collaboratively to role model this to children. They should be respectful of each other, read social cues, and support each other's needs to help children learn this.



Support children to work together on projects where they share their ideas and need to find their own roles and work out how to collaborate with the other children.