Technique of the Week

Be face to face

Whenever you are talking with a child try to get face to face, e.g. having a conversation, zipping up coats, giving instructions.

Try to be at the same level as the child, e.g. when reading a story, doing circle time.

Remember: if you're not face to face with a child they may not be able to take on board everything you are saying!







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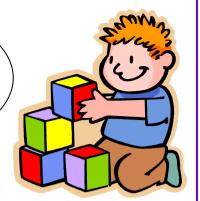
= for the child to do/say something before you do/say anything

= or watch for what the child does

And RESPOND immediately



"That is a big tower"



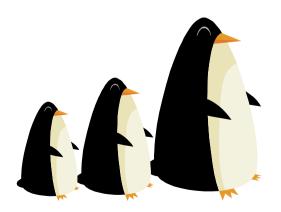
Technique of the Week

"I think I am going to make an aeroplane with my piece of playdough"

Make a Comment

Instead of asking a question

Children will learn more language hearing us talk rather than being asked questions



"When I went to the zoo I saw a tiger and some penguins"



Technique of the Week

Use a Variety of Words

Children need to hear lots of different words before they are able to put together long sentences

Try to use a variety of words when you make a comment

Big

Huge

Beautiful Gorgeous

Massive

Enormous

Pretty FABULOUS

Sad

LONELY

Scared

Miserable

Confused

Gone

Disappeared

Vanished