"KNOW YOURSELF, GROW YOURSELF"

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK
RESOURCE PACK



"DO THE BEST YOU CAN UNTIL YOU KNOW BETTER. THEN WHEN YOU KNOW BETTER, DO BETTER "

-MAYA ANGELOU



This year Place2Be have partnered with Here4You by the Walt Disney Company for Children's Mental Health Week!

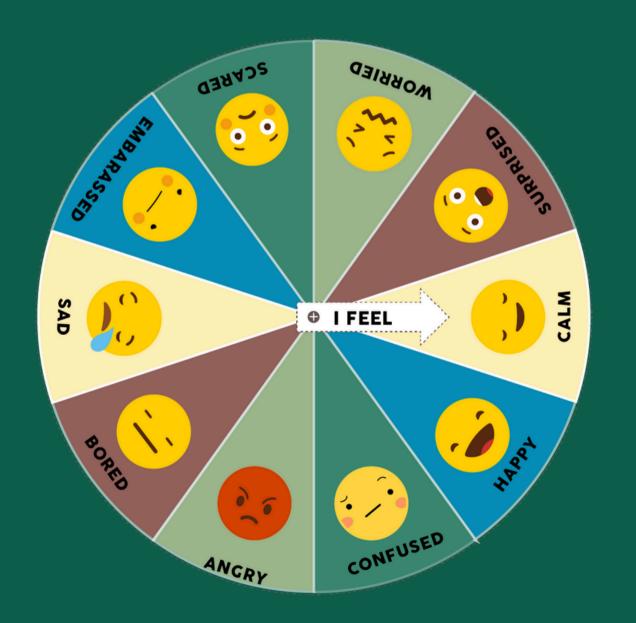
The theme for this year is 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself'. The resources in this pack will give you some tips and help you explore the importance of selfawareness and expressing emotions





CHILDREN EXPLORE & GROW

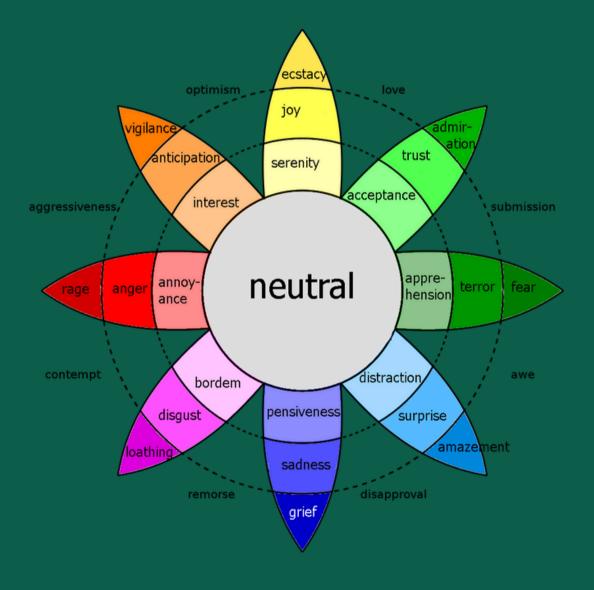
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YOUNG PEOPLE EXPLORE & GROW

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<u>Click here</u> to download a free interactive copy of the emotions wheel above



CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE EXPLORE & GROW

- **Tip 2:** Set Personal Goals Write down one thing you'd like to improve about yourself and plan small steps to achieve it.
- **Tip 3:** Celebrate Strengths Make a list of things you're good at and things you love about yourself. Keep it somewhere you can see it often.





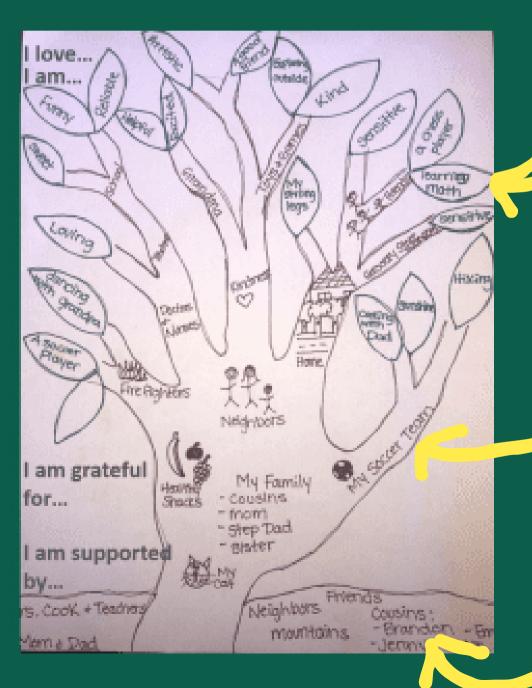
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- **Tip 4:** Create a "Me Tree" where each branch represents a strength, talent, or passion of yours.
- Steps to create a "Me Tree":
- 1. Trace your hand on a piece of paper leaving the fingertips open to draw longer branches.
- 2. Draw your branches from your fingertips leaving room for lots of leaves.
- 3. Draw as many leaves as you want (make sure to make them large enough to write things or draw inside!)
- 4. Draw some soil on the bottom of your page leaving room between the bottom of your paper and the top of the soil for writing or drawing!



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HERE IS AN EXAMPLE OF A 'ME TREE':



Leaves: "I love.../ Iam.."

Tree trunk and branches: "I am grateful for..."

Soil: "I am supported by..."

FAMILIES SUPPORTING GROWTH AT HOME

- **Tip 1:** Encourage Open Conversations Ask your child questions like "What made you happy today?" or "What did you learn about yourself?"
- **Tip 2:** Model Growth Share stories about times you learned something new or overcame a challenge.
- **Tip 3:** Build a Growth Environment Create a space at home where your child feels safe to express their thoughts and emotions. Do this in a way that fits in with your family's social and cultural beliefs.
- **Tip 4:** When you notice positive things about your child, tell them what what you noticed and encourage them to continue doing these positive things.





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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

<u>Click here</u> to get access to more tips and acitivities you can do with your family!

<u>Click here</u> to get access to the Parenting Smart website



SCHOOL STAFF FOSTERING GROWTH IN THE CLASSROOM

- **Tip 1:** Promote Emotional Literacy Start the day with a "feelings check-in" where students can share how they feel.
- **Tip 2:** Encourage a Growth Mindset Praise effort and progress made by students.
- **Tip 3:** Create a Culture of Kindness Recognise acts of kindness and celebrate individual strengths in class.
- **Tip 4:** If you are able to, host a "Know Yourself, Grow Yourself" week with themed activities. For example journaling or self-portrait art projects.





SCHOOL STAFF

FOSTERING GROWTH IN THE CLASSROOM ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

Click Here to download the Place2Be Schools pack or gain access to assembly slides





WHAT TO DO IF YOU NEED HELP

Children and Young People

You can call Childline on 0800 1111

If you are a young person and would like some advice from the Young Minds Crisis Messenger Service you can text **'YM'** to **85258**

Parents

If you would like to see the range of programmes, workshops and online resources for parents to access for free **Click Here**

If you are concerned about your child's emotions or wellbeing then please speak to a member of the pastoral team at your child's school. If you feel your child requires support outside of school then please speak to your GP.

Emergencies

If you or a young person you know requires urgent advice call 111

If you or a young person you know require immediate assistance then attend A&E