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Support for Child's Development and Learning in Early Childhood Education and Care

Lapsen kehityksen ja oppimisen tuki päiväkodissa



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Principles of development and learning support



Development and learning support is part of the normal activities of Early Childhood Education (ECE) centres and is provided to all children who need it. Support that is started early enough prevents the growth and diversification of challenges.



Observing children's need for support is part of daily operations in Finnish ECE centres. Parents are always informed about the observations considering their child.

Children may need support for example in following areas:

- Language development
- Social skills
- Emotional regulation
- Concentration and directing attention
- Body control and motor skills



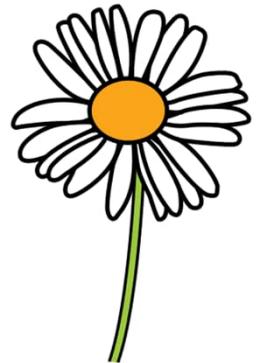
Implementing development and learning support

The support provided to child is always discussed with the parents. An interpreter can be used if necessary. The implementation of child's support is individual and depends on how much support the child needs.



Examples of different ways of support:

- Working in small groups
- Modifying the learning environment
- Structured and clear daily routines
- Adult guidance and individualization of activities
- Using pictures to help communication
- Reducing the number of children in a group
- Child-specific or group-specific assistant
- Services of special experts (e.g. special education teacher and speech therapist)
- Interpretation services





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