

Factors that Support Parent Engagement	Fully	Could do More	Examples of How I Am Doing This
Are staff aware of the importance of parental involvement in children's learning and development?			
Do parents feel welcomed and valued by staff?			
Do staff work within an attitude of partnership and respect for parents?			
If not, are there opportunities for staff to develop their relationship skills and confidence to engage with parents?			
Is there a primary caregiver for each family and do families know who their primary caregiver is?			
Do staff take time to chat to parents and get to know them and their family when they drop off and pick up their children?			
Do staff take the time to find out about personal issues that may affect the parent-child relationship, such as financial worries, relationship breakdown, etc?			
Are staff aware of issues that could affect a parent's involvement in learning (i.e., languages spoken at home, literacy, etc.)			
Are resources and information for parents displayed and available in the childcare setting?			
Do you foster home-setting links, for instance inviting parents in for open days or special events?			

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