

Please use the space below to note any local community groups that our parents might find helpful.



Kids Matter
Group Helper
Training

Questions often asked about Kids Matter

Why parenting?

- Early years parenting is a key tool that's been shown by research to help with children's behaviour in the long term.
- Parenting skills build self - confidence and self - esteem in parents.
- Improves all relationships in the home.
- Lack of wider family – high immigration/social mobility (housing etc)
- Early intervention is better than dealing with issues later on.
- Children are with their parents more than teachers in their early years.

Why parents who are facing economic hardship?

- We believe God has asked us to look after those who are struggling & who are living in poverty
- Council services are unable to support families as much as they used to.
- Families now have additional challenges e.g. Mental health, poverty, social isolation, family breakdown
- We want to break patterns of poverty that run through generations of families
- They are most at risk.

Why go through the Church?

- Love, welcome and kindness are central to everything the Church does
- There's a church in every community
- Churches often have people who want to volunteer their time
- Churches can offer ongoing support once the 6 week section of the Kids Matter programme has finished, such as help with housing issues, debt, Foodbank, community events, and opportunities for parents to give back to the community.

Why Kids Matter?

- Kids Matter is designed to be accessible for parents in all sorts of different situations
- Its friendly and welcoming
- Parents are encouraged to share their own experiences, and learn from each other
- There's tea and cake!
- The facilitator is well trained, and all the materials are provided to guests for free
- There's a free creche.

What is my role as a group helper?

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A good personal story/example includes:

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A helpful example of a parenting struggle I have had is.....

Key points to check on the Evaluation forms are:

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