



What are the best ways to support and engage with parents?

Parents provide some practical tips to support their involvement



Provide information

- Starter packs from schools
- Social Media – Facebook, TikTok, Instagram
- Posters
- Share information that is easy to read
- Via visits to local organisations/ groups and schools, pop up stalls and community events



Provide support to parents

- Offering support services
- Have someone that can be a buddy/mentor
- People who have been through the process to lead and encourage others



Engage with parents

- Build relationships and trust
- Share lived experiences and success stories to show them what can be achieved
- Offer a range of ways to get involved - not just participation/consultation
- Provide volunteering opportunities
- Recognise and nurture the potential of parents
- Reward their time and offer incentives (vouchers, recognition awards, learning new skills)
- Recognise, value and nurture their potential
- Be creative, make it fun and involve their children
- Provide feedback, they need to know that their 'voice' has been heard

