CHILDREN'S WEEK 2020

We learn and grow when we...

... choose our own friends

... set up and join groups

... plan our own activities

... come together and have our say

... have adults who help us to connect safely

Adults, for ideas about how to help children to connect safely, see the back of this poster or visit www.napcan.org.au

This poster has been created to support Article 15 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child: ***Children have the right to meet together and to join groups and organisations, as long as this does not stop other people from enjoying their rights.***

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GIVING KIDS THE BEST OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN AND GROW IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS.

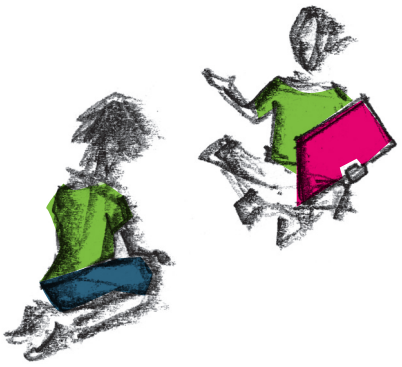
The way that we interact with children and young people every day can make a big difference to their lives.

HOW DO YOU LEARN AND GROW?

Consider asking children:

- **how do they feel** when they can do these things (on the front of the poster)?
- **why do they think** it's important for children to be able to choose who they spend time with and what they do together?
- **how do they want** adults to support them?
- **what else do they need** to help them learn and grow?

CHILDREN THRIVE WHEN:



- **... we respect children's choices.**
  Under Article 15, this means children being able to choose their own friends, set up and join groups, and come together to have their say.
- **... we trust children's capabilities and give them space.**
  For young children this might mean organising their own playtime; for older children this might mean setting up a group to discuss issues that are important to them.
- **... we play our part to keep children safe.**
  This includes considering children's online safety, talking to them about their personal safety and how to respect the rights of others, and learning more about how organisations can keep children safe.

USEFUL LINKS:

For more resources and tips for how to play your part in keeping children safe, visit:

- Children's rights - **www.unicef.org/child-rights-convention**
  - **Australian Children's Rights Report**
- Online safety - **www.esafety.gov.au**
- Keeping children safe in organisations - **www.childsafe.humanrights.gov.au**
- Supporting young people to run their own groups - **www.crc15.org/learn/**

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