



Children's ideas for helping people with disability feel included

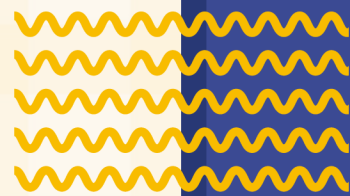
By Wollongong City Council



Why Council asked for your ideas

We are making a new plan. This plan will help children and grown-ups with disability feel safe, happy, and included in our community.

We asked you to help because your ideas can help us make places better for everyone!



Who we talked to



**Fairy Meadow
Demonstration School**

18 students



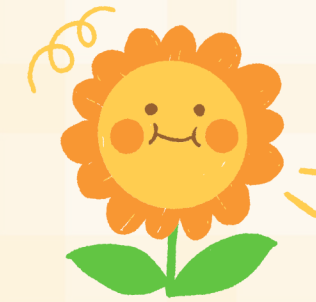
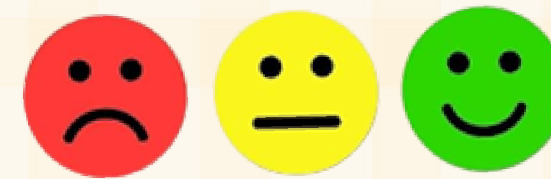
**Wollongong City
Preschool**

10 students

What we asked

We wanted to find out:

- ⌘ What helps children feel welcome and happy
- ⌘ What makes things hard for you or someone with disability that you know
- ⌘ What helps everyone join in and have fun



Help make our community great for children with disability!
Wolongong City Council is making a new plan. This plan will help children and grown-ups with disability feel safe, happy, and included.

Can you help us?
Draw or write your answers in the boxes below. Ask a grown-up for help if you need.

A place I like going that is easy for me (or someone I know) to use.
This could be a park, library, beach, or other place where things are easy to get to or use.
Draw or write here:

What does your drawing mean?

A place that is hard for me (or someone I know) to use or get to.
Maybe there are steps, it's too loud, no signs, or it feels unsafe.
Draw or write here:

What does your drawing mean?

Write your first name:



What you told us

What helps children feel welcome and happy

- Playgrounds with swings, trampolines, and shade.
- Beach matting for easy access.
- Libraries with new books and quiet spaces.
- Signs and maps that show you where to go and what to do.
- Kind people who include everyone and help each other.



What you told us

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What makes things hard

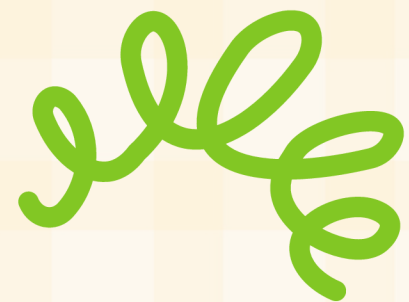


- Bark chip, rocks, and stairs that can be hard to walk on.
- Busy parks, pools, and beaches without shade or quiet spots.
- Slippery pool areas and loud hand dryers.
- Too many words on flyers and maps that are confusing.



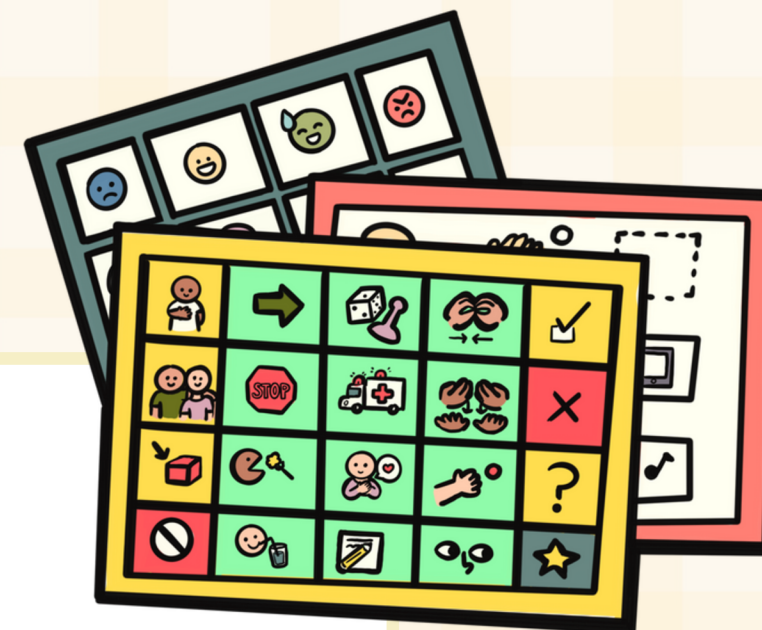
What does your drawing mean? He needs to be able to
hold on and have a flat way to use
his walker.





What you told us

What helps everyone join in



- Ramps, flat paths, and beach matting.
- Communication boards and Easy Read guides.
- Playgrounds with equipment for all ages and abilities.
- Quiet spaces and sensory tools for people who need a break.
- Videos, signs, and maps that help you know where to go and what to do.



What happens next



Lots of writing!

We're using your great ideas to write our **Disability Inclusion Action Plan**. Next year, we'll show you the plan so you can tell us what you think before we start using it. We'll let you know when it's ready to look at.





Thank you

**from everyone at Wollongong City
Council for helping us make the plan!**



**THANK
YOU!**