This set of cards is a result of the "ElsE – Eltern stärken Eltern" ("Parents empower parents") workshops that were held from 2018 to 2020 in the Berlin district of Marzahn-Hellersdorf.

A group made up of seven parents, three members of staff from the children's preschool, two academics from the Alice Salomon University of Applied Sciences and one member of staff from the Haus Aufwind Family Centre spent time looking at the relationships between staff and parents at the preschool. All those involved have had experience of conversations that have gone well and that have not gone so well, and they wanted to change things by encouraging a more respectful way of dealing with one another, with people treating one another as equals and showing more appreciation for one another. We have also enclosed some envelopes to ensure that your concern is dealt with in confidence.

The slogan that came out of the workshop: "Parents, preschool teachers, children: together we can grow" symbolises strong teams with everyone pulling in the same direction. The set of cards is intended to help the teams by making it easier for them to start conversations with one another.

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Dear Parents, dear Preschool Teachers,

Please find enclosed a set of cards which you can use if you want to have a somewhat longer conversation with one another, and you would like to make an appointment to meet up.

Because there are many things that don't get dealt with in the stress of our everyday lives. It can often be difficult to have a proper conversation about the children when parents are picking them up or dropping them off. This is where we would like to help: Simply give one of the cards to the person you would like to speak to, either before or after preschool, inviting them to meet up for a chat.

As you can see from the cards, they can be used for a variety of reasons. You can also use the blank card if you have a particular concern of your own.

We hope you have plenty of good conversations! Feel free to give the cards to other parents or members of staff.

Your project team from ElfE ("Parents empower parents")



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Dear Parents.

I am under the impression that your child is not doing so well at the moment.

Let's meet up as soon as possible and reflect together on what we can do.

Thank you!

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Dear Parents,

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at home - and the same goes for preschool too.
When can we next sit down together for a chat?

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Please can we have a brief chat some time soon? Thank you!

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My child looks forward to going to preschool almost every day.

That's a huge relief for me.

Thank you for all the efforts you make!

There are also a lot of

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happening at home that I would like to discuss with you sometime.

Let's meet up as soon as possible to reflect together on what we can do. Thank you!

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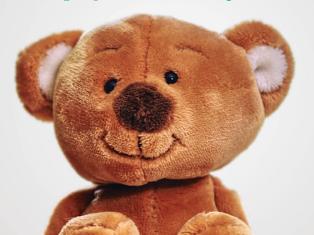


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DEAR PARENTS, YOU HAVE A GREAT CHILD!



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HELLO, I NEED YOUR HELP.





I would be very interested to hear your opinion. Could we have a chat about this soon? Thank you!

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HELLO; MY CHILD IS DEVELOPING WELL; RIGHT?





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