

## Overmonnow Wellbeing Support

# Support for Parents/Carers supporting a child through **big feelings**, including tantrums

#### Websites:

A really useful guide to how children experience anger and how to help them from Young Minds

https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/parents-guide-to-support-a-z/parents-guide-to-support-anger/

It can be very difficult to know how to respond when a child is displaying their anger through a **tantrum**. There is some great advice here from the **NSPCC** <a href="https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/cope-with-tantrums/">https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/cope-with-tantrums/</a>

**Action for Children** have a really useful website with lots of supportive articles about all sorts of challenges children experience and how to help as a parent/carer.

https://parents.actionforchildren.org.uk/emotional-wellbeing/

#### Telephone support:

MCC Building Strong Families are a brilliant organisation who can provide support and advice. You can find them on Facebook (where they post lots of really helpful resources). They run a family advice line Mon - Fri 10am - 3pm. Call 01633 644152/ 07970166975 You can Text/ What's App and someone will get back to you

**Meditation** can be a really useful tool for a child experiencing big emotions. The following apps are designed to help children meditate.

https://www.headspace.com/

For children 4 years and under:

https://dreamykid.com/

For children 4 - 11 years old:

https://www.calm.com/

https://www.sanvello.com/

https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/breathe-think-do-with-sesame/id7218533597

### **Books About Feelings:**

Barbara Throws A Wobler by Nadia Shireen



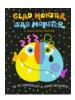
In My Heart



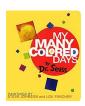
The Colour Monster



Glad Monster, Sad Monster



My many coloured days



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## THE EMOTIONAL CUP

## Some ways that children deal with having an empty cup:

- · Steal from other people's cups
- · Misbehave to get your attention and show that they need a refill
- · Seem to have bottomless cups, or need constant 'topping off'
- · Can't sit still for refills or actively refuse them
- · Bounce off the walls when they approach 'empty'
- Think they have to fight or compete for every refill

### What fills a child's cup:

- Play
- Friendship
- · One-on-one time
- Love and affection
- Connection
- Succeeding
- · Doing what they love





## What empties a child's cup:

- Stress and strain
- Rejection by peers
- · Loneliness and isolation
- Yelling and punishment
- Failing
- Fatigue
- · Doing what they hate