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**Topic Plan Ideas** – **People Who Help Us**

This pack contains some activity ideas for the People who Help Us topic as well as some blank forms for you to note down your own ideas.

Staring at a blank page when planning can be difficult so we hope that even if you don’t end up using our exact suggestions, they will be a spark of inspiration for your own great ideas when planning for your children.

(The different sheets are outlined below so you can decide which sheets you need to print).

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We hope this helps!

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* Role-play challenge activities e.g. firefighter – ‘unravel a hose and point at the fire.’
* Dentist
* Doctor’s Surgery
* Vet clinic
* Library
* School
* ‘Who helps you most? Who is your superhero? What do they do to help you? How do you let them know you are grateful?’ – make picture/card for that person.
* Count how many bricks in the builder’s bucket.
* Match the number on the ambulance to the number under the paramedic.
* Cut and stick objects next to correct job e.g. ‘Firefighter or Dentist’ ?
* ‘People who help us’ puzzles.
* Toy vehicle construction site in sandpit/tray.
* Lifeguard small world set-up in water tray.
* Small world emergency vehicles set up.
* Police themed fingerprint station.
* Design house using 2D shapes.
* Design house using 3D shapes.
* Use junk modelling materials that show different 3D shapes to create an emergency vehicle.

Personal Opinions & Feelings

Measures

* Time - appointment times for the doctor/dentist.
* Investigate capacity using plastic syringes.
* ‘Which person who helps us would you most like to be when you grow up? Why?’
* ‘How do you think doctors, nurses, firefighters, etc feel when they help others?’

Health & Self-Care

Nurturing Relationships

* ‘Which people help us if we feel poorly?’ – mummy, daddy, carer, teacher, childminder, doctor, dentist, nurse, optometrist.
* Consider aspects of safety – road, fireworks, etc.

Gross Motor

* Physical actions like different ‘people who help us’ e.g. firefighter – climb a ladder (on the spot).
* Themed obstacle course e.g. pretend you are a firefighter who needs to get over all obstacles to reach burning building to save people.

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Songs/Music/Poems

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* Miss Polly had a dolly…
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* People who help us colouring.
* Use loose parts to create the image of a person who helps you or an emergency vehicle.
* Pretend to be a doctor. Sit quietly and listen to/feel your heartbeat.

Colours

Science Experiments

* Pretend to be a doctor - feel pulse then do some physical activity. ‘How has you pulse/body changed after doing exercise?
* Observe colours in various uniforms, logos & on vehicles e.g. paramedic & ambulance.
* Paint/collage/colour a fire engine red.

Optional Home Learning

Vocab & Communication

* Use small world people/objects/places of work &/or word cards/mats, displays to point out, name and talk about people who help us.
* Put uniforms on small world people. Discuss how they look and talk through the process.

Food

* Ask lunchtime supervisor to come and answer questions.
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Investigation

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* Set up investigation area with the uniform, equipment, books, etc relating to a person who helps us.

Mark making

* Draw &/or write about a person who has helped you recently.
* Make an identification badge e.g. Police Officer with name on.

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