

Raising Playful Tots #138

Real service opportunities for the kids

Introduction

In a world of gimme gimme gimme! How do I share the power and cultivate a routine of donating and service opportunities for my child who is under 5

Practical ways we can include and make service and giving part of our families' life.

Discussion questions

1. What service opportunities have you tried with your under 5 children?
2. What time of year or season would you most associate with service, giving, and donation?
3. What service opportunities would you consider or have done in your family- as a family?
4. How do you deal with the sensitive issue of donating to those who need and wanting to see their reaction when they receive?
5. Would you ever consider a donation event a) birthday party? B) Scouts/ guides event? Why or why not?
6. What types of things do you hear are donated?
7. What are your feelings around gently used books and donating new books?
8. How do you help a family you see in need sensitively- share your stories?
9. If you've been on the receiving end of a donation talk about the importance of the distance between the donor and you

Family next steps

Meredith of milkandbookies.org shared a simple Service opportunity for the young ones. There are so many ways to get involved in activities as a family or with a small group.

What have you been moved to do?
