

# **The Positives of Routines**

### For this activity you will need:

- Time
- Reflect on yourself
  and your children
- Paper and pen/ textas
- What's working well ?
- What could work better ?



## Why are routines important ?

Routines are important for everyone; you may have had to change some or even many of your routines with the impacts and changes we have all been adjusting to recently, due to the COVID-19. Children feel safer and more secure when their home is predictable and for parents and carers,

### Night time

An example of a night time routine; for younger children, pictures work well:

\* you could take your own pictures and use those. Children love seeing themselves and their own things !

- 1. Bath or shower
- 2. PJ's
- 3. Toilet/Potty
- 4. Clean teeth
- 5. Story in Bed
- 6. Go to sleep

You may add times and more steps for older children. Routines can be set for any part of the day to create structure.

## Let's talk..

**Qs** - What are the things we do each day? What comes first, next... last? Let's record our routine in words or pictures.

**Extension** - The Raising Children website is a wonderful resource where you will find a wealth of information about many topics. <u>https://raisingchildren.net.au/grown-ups/family-life/routines-rituals-relationships/family-routines</u>

We'd love to see your creations and home based play. Share with us at: @YarraRangesFamilies #YarraRangesPlay You can contact the YRC Family & Children's Services team on 1300 368 333 or by email at earlyyears@yarraranges.vic.gov.au











