## Standard 2 - Children Participate In Decisions Affecting Them And Are Taken Seriously

## Why is this Standard important?

Empowering children by supporting them to take part in discussions about their safety is a reliable indicator that your organisation is child safe.

- Children's participation is embedded in organisational practice through feedback mechanisms.
  - Opportunities are created for children to be included in organisational decision-making.
  - Children are given information on internal and external support services.
    - Staff are provided with knowledge and skills to support children's participation.
      - Staff encourage peer support for children.
        - Adults understand what safety means to children.

