## How to use a Now and Next board.

We use now next boards mostly for the below two reasons. You may be advised to use a Now Next board for both or just one of the below reasons.

## 1. Understanding Nursery Routines. - Always model verbal language.

Show child board, point to photos or symbols and model language e.g. "now playing inside" "next snack time"

When routine has finished again show child board, remove completed routine photo or symbol from board or encourage child to do this whilst you model the language saying e.g. "playing inside finished" "now snack"



Continue to use and change photos or symbols as nursery routines proceed. This aids the child's understanding of routines and routine instructions.

## 2. Following a Practitioners request to complete an activity.

Show child board with 2 activity photos or symbols placed on it. E.g. Now 'puzzle' Next 'cars' point to photos or symbols and model language.

The 'Now' photo or symbol should be the activity you would like the child to have a go at and the 'Next' photo or symbol should be a motivating reward activity / toy for the child which will encourage them to have a go at the first activity presented.

Support child to complete 'Now' activity and then when finished remove photo or symbols saying "finished" and allow child to have motivating reward activity/toy.

This can be used in conjunction with a choosing board.

## Visual support Video on YouTube

Here is one for you to watch...... <u>https://youtu.be/Xh\_ooF8PDhM</u>



