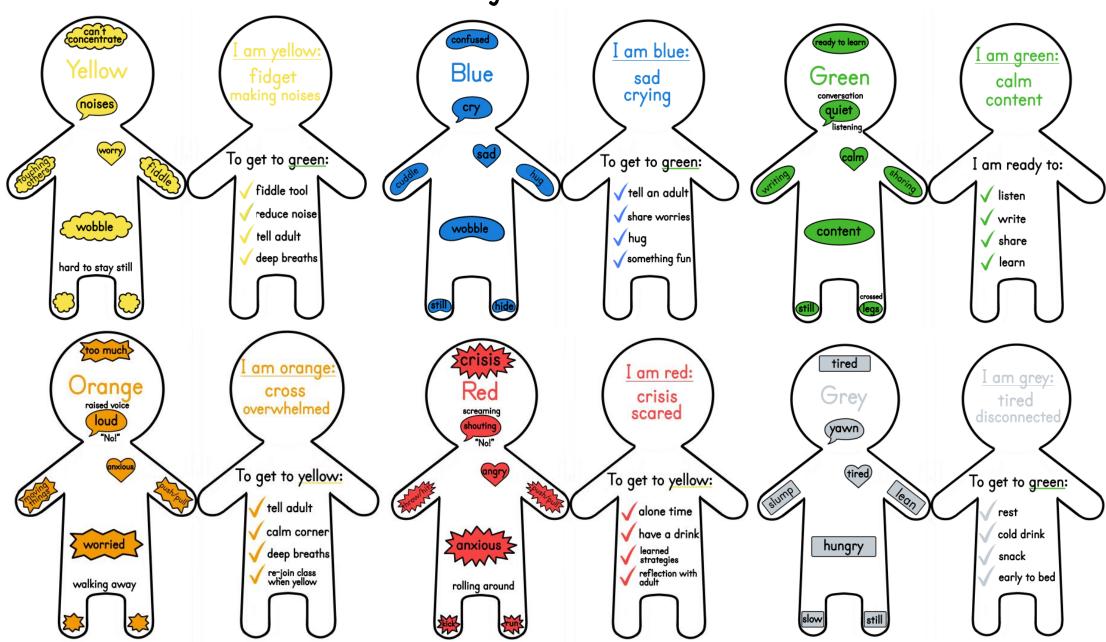
The Zones of Regulation at Pownall Green



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What is regulation?

Self-Regulation is the ability to recognise and manage emotions and resulting behaviours in different settings and activities. Children who learn to self-regulate their emotions can make friends more easily, relate more successfully with peers and adults, cope with disappointment better and are less impulsive. Within the classroom, if a child can self-regulate more effectively, they are less likely to show signs of distressed behaviour.

How we help children to self-regulate at Pownall Green

- > Provide a safe space that a child can go to and take a break and calm down
- > Teach clear and positive behaviour expectations
- > For younger children, provide opportunities for developmentally appropriate play
- > Model desired behaviours and discuss reasoning for these desired behaviours
- > Validate feelings by letting children know its okay to feel different emotions
- > Aid their emotional literacy through labelling emotions and their result in behaviour
- > Modelling ways to calm down when needed
- > Provide positive feedback in response to the child regulating their behaviour
- > Give opportunities for children's independence across the day

What is 'body mapping'?

Body mapping cards are a useful tool used to help children to:

- Name their emotions
- Understand their emotions
- How these emotions affect their bodies
- Strategies they can use to get back to a comfortable state

Quite often, a child is showing distressed behaviour because they don't understand their emotions or how to manage these. This can be very overwhelming.