FJYPB Update

Cafcass Board 26th January 2022



We recently held our second series of the Voice of the Child Live Webinars in October on the theme of communication. In total we were joined by over 200 professionals for our webinars. We also held our first webinar aimed at children and young people from Children in Care Councils on 'Empowering your Voice'.

KEY MESSAGES

"Language is not only about how you speak to a child or young person. It is also about how you share information that is in writing about the child. This should be clear and understandable. Everyone benefits from clear language no matter your role in family court proceedings". "Communication is not just about how you talk to a child it is about every interaction you have with them including any information you give them". "My file is a record of my journey. It's important to me that you record an accurate account of this significant chapter in my life".

"Don't be weird, nervous or apologetic about asking me about my diversity. You may make me feel ashamed about who I am". "It is really important that all the information you share with a child or young person is done so in their first language".

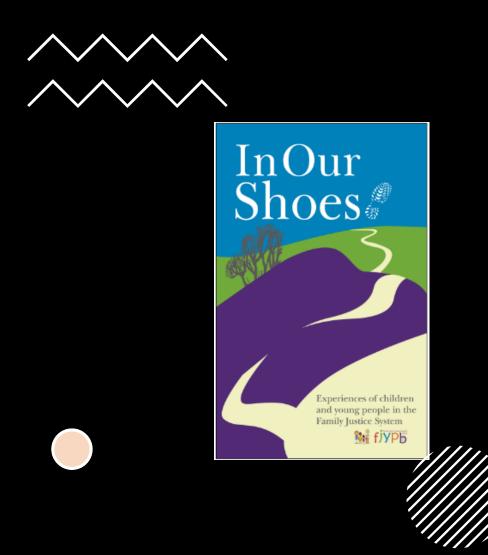


We are recruiting!

The FJYPB have once again opened for recruitment for new members!

For further information on our recruitment, please see our webpage on the Cafcass website or contact us on fjypb@cafcass.gov.uk

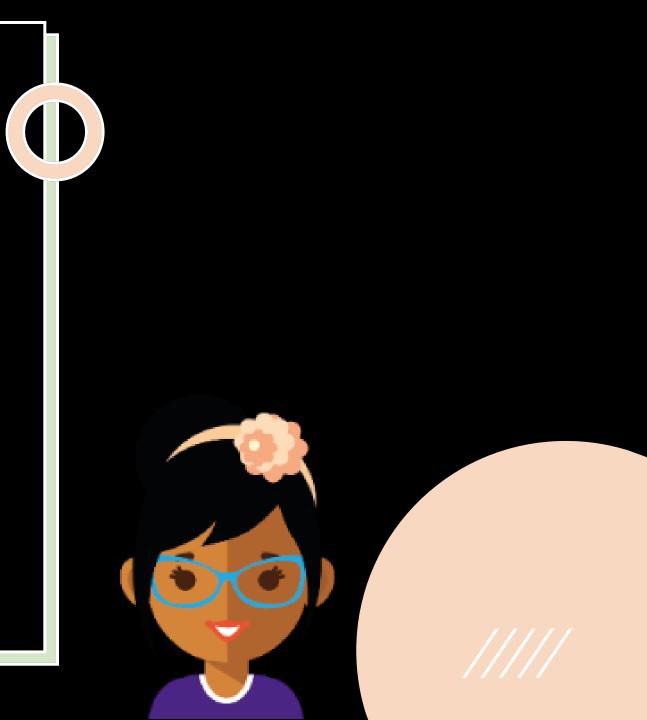




FJYPB Book

Our book launch is coming up soon and we are very much looking forward to sharing this with you all! The book will be shared and will be made available to all our stakeholders following our launch event on 27th January 2021. We will be sending a copy to every Cafcass office.





Black History Month

To celebrate Black History Month in October, FJYPB members Plam and Advone recorded two videos to share their key messages with professionals. The brilliant videos were shared across Cafcass and sparked conversation in different teams.





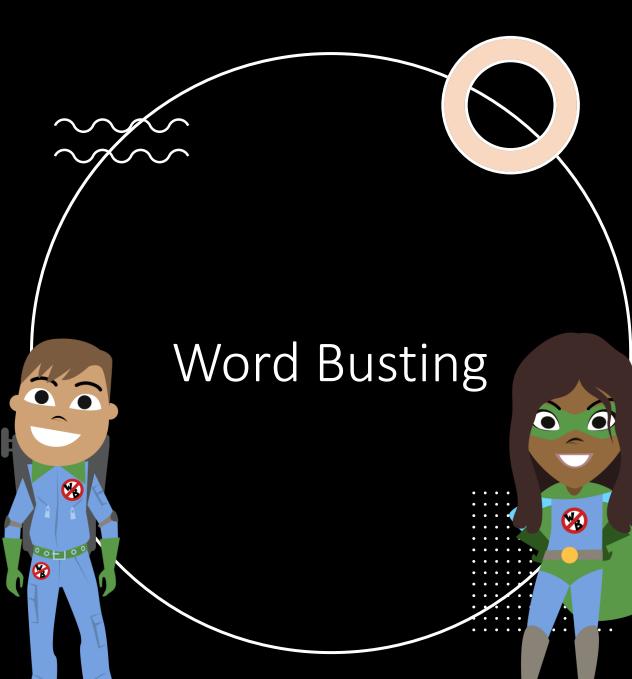
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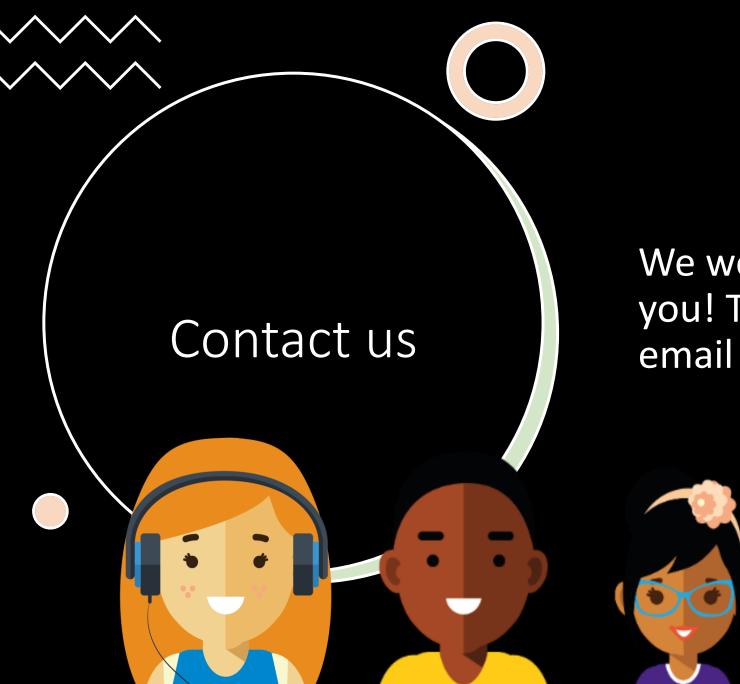




We were very excited to join the live event to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Cafcass. FJYPB members Andrew and Laura attended the event in person in London alongside Cafcass' other key partners. We spoke about our work over the last 10 years with Cafcass as well as the launch of our upcoming book. Andrew also had the opportunity to interview Jacky Tiotto as part of the event.



- Case replaced with child's case, child's story or child's journey
- Case file to be replaced with child's file or children's file
- Party think about how to explain this in a child friendly way. For example, a party is someone who is formally involved in the court process
- 'Problem Child' to be replaced with an explanation of what the child is struggling with and their response to this.
- Case plan to be replaced with Child's Plan
- Caseload to say I have responsibility for a number of families / I have a number of families I am working with
- **Sibling** this to be replaced with **brother or sister.** This includes half-brother/sister and stepbrother/sister.



We would love to hear from you! To contact us, please email FJYPB@cafcass.gov.uk