



# Smartkids Thao Dien Talk

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## Change Negative to Positive

Children need to hear what they can do in a positive way. It is a nice way to communicate with your child; and your child will listen better to you.

A lot of parents ask me "how can I talk to my child in a more positive way?". Here are some examples.

### Negative

Don't run



Don't hit



Don't yell/Don't scream



Don't fight



Don't climb on the table



Don't go up the slide



Don't throw with the sand



Don't step on the books



### Positive

Let's use your walking feet

Please touch softly/ be gentle

Let's use inside voices/use a quiet voice

Use your words, please

Keep your feet on the floor, please

Go down the slide (go up the stairs and down the slide)

Keep the sand in the sandpit, please

Be careful with the books, they can break

Children need to hear positive words to guide them. A good ratio is to find 9 positive remarks to say to a child for every negative remark. You can also use neutral statements like "I see you are wearing a dress today", "I see you can put on your shoes by your self"

Dear Parents,

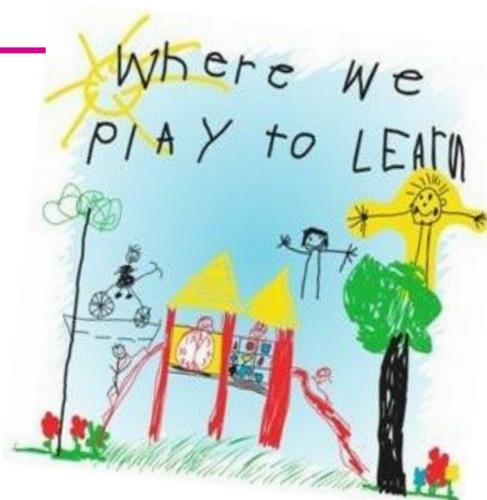
Your children are developing and growing; so is SmartKids.

We have introduced our after school activities now in all our locations, for children from 3 to 6 years old. On Tuesday in Thao Dien, Wednesday in Tran Ngoc Dien and Thursday in street nr 10. We will continue with the after school activities in term 2 and 3, so reserve a space for your child already now.

We are currently offering a Parent-Child Group in our "Street nr 10, Riverside" location on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings for children (from 1 to 3 years old) and their parents.

I also would like to inform you that SmartKids has a Face-book page. Should you wish to be part of this, please let us know your Face-book contact details and we will invite you to our small network.

We look forward to welcome you and your child to one of our new activities and I look forward to a great year.



**Parent teacher meetings are coming up soon.**

From the 19th of November to the 23rd of November you can make an appointment with your child's teacher to talk about the development of your child.

This is a great opportunity if you have any questions or if you have any concerns about your child.

Please watch the signing-in sheets on your child's class door or on the class notice board.

These meetings are without children. It's not appropriate that your child plays in the class while you have the meeting with the teacher.

Please arrange a baby sitter.

Do you know we have wonderful kitchen staff who prepare delicious dishes and snacks for your children? Please have a look at our weekly menu. If you wish to have a recipe, please let us know, we can give you a copy! Our kitchen staff works with gloves when preparing food and undergo a medical test every 6 months.





