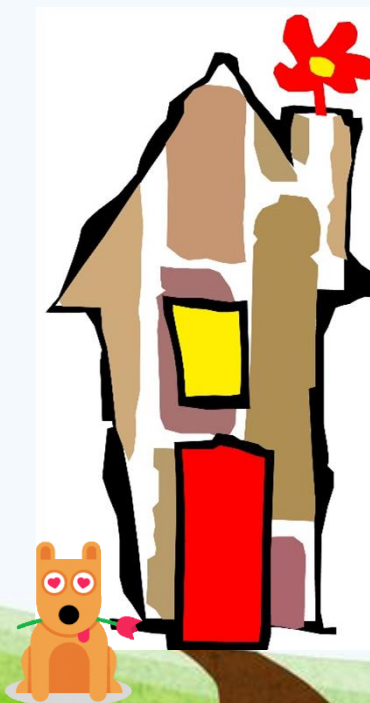


What is Fostering?

A guide to fostering for very young by the Homefinding and Fostering agency



This book is for you to keep. It is to help you understand why you are living where you are.

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My name is

This is me...

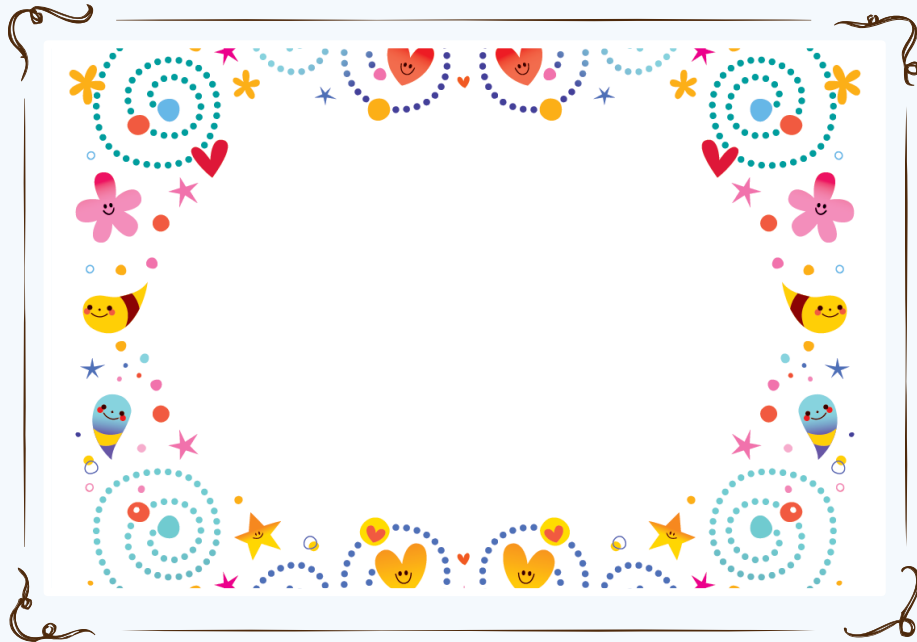
This is one of my favourite things...



Sometimes children live with a different family than who they are used to.

This is a foster family.

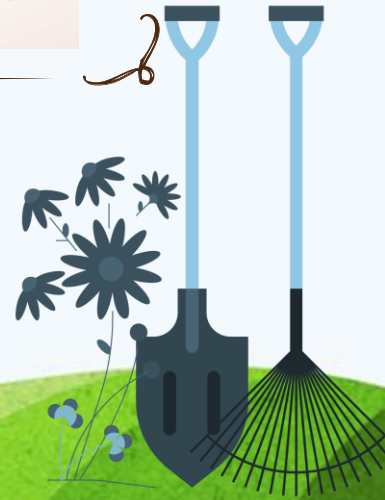
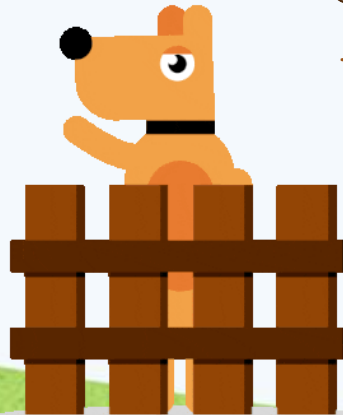
We make sure that they are looking after you and making sure you are safe.
We have chosen this family specially to care for you.



This is my foster family...



This is where we live



Children live with different families
for lots of reasons.

Sometimes it is for a short time
and sometimes you are there for
what feels like a long time.
You may even have your Birthday
there. But your foster family will
make sure it is still a special time
for you.

You will have a social worker who
will come to visit you and help
make a plan about what might
happen next.





The people who might come to see me

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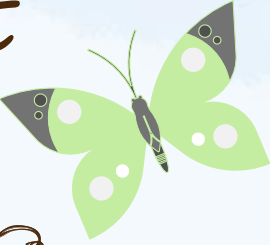
My social worker

My Foster Family Social worker

Independent reviewing officer



In your home, we want to make sure that you have all the things you need.



Space to play



Your own bedroom,
unless you share with a
brother or sister



Time with your family
and friends

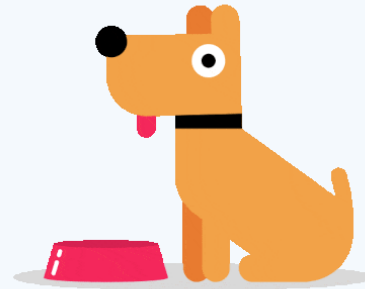




You will
have Lots of
fun times
out and
about



Pocket
money to
spend



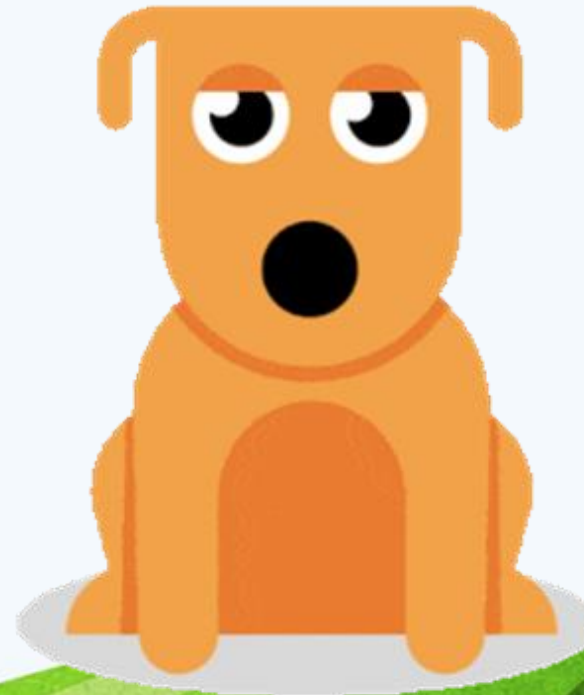
And you
will get to
eat the
dinners you
like

Your foster family want to make sure that there is someone to look after you if you don't feel well, and someone to talk to if you are feeling sad.



- We know that sometimes you might find you have lots of questions. You might feel sad, worried or angry.
But you don't have to worry. We will make sure you have someone there for you if you need to talk about anything.
If, for any reason you don't feel you can talk to your foster parents or your social worker about things you are not happy with you can contact someone at Homefinding.
You might have already met Lauren or Jess as they organise all our fun days out together.

Lauren or Jess
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Other people who might help if you
are worried or have some questions



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