Emotional Literacy

Recognise their emotions in order to label and find them	 Check-in and check-out, symbol support, feeling thermometer, labelling emotions. Start with basic emotions of happy, sad, mad and then introduce a wider range and expand vocabulary. Positive and negative emotions Listen, Respond, Teach plans
Understand their emotions in order to become effective learners	 Check-in and check-out, symbol support, feeling thermometer, labelling emotions. Introduce idea of 'why' i.e. 'I feel sad because' Can they give examples 'I feel happy when' Listen, Respond, Teach plans
Handle and manage their emotions in order to develop and sustain positive relationships	 Use of tools such as: Five Point Scales Social Stories Amazing awareness bands Feeling thermometer Therapeutic stories Karen Triesman activities Mindfulness activities Listen, Respond, Teach plans
Appropriately express emotions in order to develop as 'rounded people' who are able to help themselves and, in turn, those around them.	 Ability to use the above tools and support with reduced adult support or independently. Use of calming , grounding and relaxing strategies. Use of Growth Mindset principles. Listen, Respond, Teach plans