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# Manage successful transitions

A suggestion for implementing the strategy 'Helpful classroom strategies years 1-8' from the Guide: FASD and learning

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## **Classroom transitions**

For students with FASD, ending one activity then beginning another can be a daunting task.

Directly teach the routines and expectations, then practise frequently.

Provide frequent guidance and positive feedback.



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## **Transitions between activities**

- ✓ Use a calm, quiet voice to tell students what is happening.
- ✓ Provide a signal to warn students that a transition is approaching. For example, use a hand sign or a sound to indicate the end of an activity.
- Give advance warning of a planned transition. For example, "The lunch bell is going to ring soon. Put away your books now."
- ✓ Refer to the visual timetable to show students what is happening next.
- ✓ Supervise transitions so they happen smoothly.

# Use a visual time table



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#### Manage pressure points

I hate going into the cloakroom in the morning as there is lots of pushing and shoving.

Mr Jack noticed that I was always grumpy first thing in the morning so he talked to me and my mum and we decided that I would come to class first and then go and hang up my bag after the bell.

Now I come into class happy and complete my handwriting without hurting others beside me.

Student (NZ)

#### Prepare students ahead of time

To help a student prepare for their first school camp, students at Houghton Valley School made a book using digital photos with simple captions.



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