

UNDERSTANDING DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOUR

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and can prepare the ground for the gentle suggestions of interventions that might helpful when the time is right.

4. Other mothers/fathers/caregivers. Stay calm. Identify the behaviours for what they are. Have protective measures in place so that everyone in the playgroup can feel safe. Build networks of support for each other. Remember every infant/toddler has 'off days' or 'out of sorts' moments. Behave in a way that you would want others to behave towards you when the inevitable happens.

The sun can't always shine. However, bleakness can be kept to a minimum so that a little bit of the sun always shines through at your playgroup.

*palmar grasp: grasps objects using the entire hand.

- Roslyn Elms

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