

Dominic

What others like and admire about Dominic:

His big smile! his respect for others; his courage and toughness; his big brown eyes; his lovely hair: A real babe magnet!!

Important to Dominic:

Being with his family – Mum and Dad, his brother Nathan and Skip the dog.

People who can have a laugh and a joke with him.

Being around people who appreciate the qualities he has.

Having a good nights sleep

To be warm at all times

Having 'babes' to fuss over him and flirt with him.

Having 'Good' food to eat – Mum's fish pie; spaghetti bolognese; curry; chocolate buttons and maltesers.

Doing things to bring out the dare-devil in him like riding on trains.

His passion for pop music, especially Kylie; Atomic Kitten

Watching DVD's

Important to Dominic in the future:

Going on holiday – maybe Florida again!

Going to a concert to see babes on stage – dad must go too – a lads night out!

What is important for Dominic (support needs):

To be supported by people who are aware of all of his needs – Dominic has complex needs and these must be fully understood before you can properly support him. You need to read the details of his file before supporting him as it contains vital, detailed information around staying healthy and safe

That his epilepsy is monitored well and that people supporting him know how to administer his medication required in emergencies.

Dominic needs to eat and drink regularly (3 meals and 3 snacks s day). He also needs his blood-sugar level monitored every few hours. If Dominic isn't taking his food orally his diet is supplemented through his gastrostomy tube. Dominic is also prone to choking.

Not to have to walk long distances at a time, but also walking little and often to prevent Dominic getting stiff – needs two people to help him walk – one at the front holding his hands and one at the back to help with balance

Keeping in touch with the things that other young people of his age are doing.

Dominic's Communication

Dominic wears a hearing aid

WHEN / WHERE / WHATS HAPPENING	WHEN DOMINIC DOES THIS...	WE THINK IT MEANS...	AND WE SHOULD...
Anytime	Puts his arms out	He doesn't want to go where you are taking him.	Respect this or explain why he needs to go there
Anytime	Waves his arms around	He's excited about something	Find out what it is and get excited with him
Anytime	Pushes anything away from him	Doesn't want it or is unhappy about what you are doing	Respect this
Anytime	Lifts arm and waves it up and down	He's had enough and wants to go	Get going