

FOOTSTEPS TO OUR FAVOURITE WORDS

"When we bring children to a place where their heart dances, then we've succeeded" - Elder Mary Wilson

DID YOU KNOW?

- The F-Words are Functioning, Family, Fitness, Friends, Fun and Future
- They originated in a 2011 paper by Drs. Rosenbaum and Gorter at CanChild: "The 'F-words' in Childhood Disability: I swear this is how we should think!"
- They are based on the ICF Framework

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- We are calling them: **"Our Favourite Words"**
- A team at SSCY Centre is involved in research with CanChild to implement **Our Favourite Words** including members from:
 - RCC Onsite Therapy Services
 - RCC Assistive Technology
 - Manitoba Possible.
- We are also working with CanChild and a team in New Zealand to explore the cultural relevance of **Our Favourite Words**



OUR FAVOURITE WORDS RESOURCES

The SSCY Centre Implementation team has developed a number of **Favourite Words** resources, like Manitoba Possible.'s "Here I Come!" document. This resource introduces a child to a new environment (daycare, school) using the child's **Favourite Words**. You can find this resource in the R: Drive under "**Favourite Words**", and on the Children's Therapy Initiative (CTI) Network Member-Only page [HERE](#)

The footprints of Our Favourite Words

Our Manitoba Possible. team members got to see first hand how important **FUN, FAMILY** and **FUNCTIONING** are, when a little girl was able to learn independent mobility in an adapted Wild Thing while playing at home with her family. "You should see her chase her brother downstairs!" - Mom