

What is Monitoring and Evaluation?

Monitoring is the planned process of gathering information in the same way over time

Monitoring is about regularly collecting information to track your project. You need monitoring systems in place that help you do this in a planned, organised and routine way. E.g. Monitoring attendance at every open access play session.

Evaluation is making sense of the information gathered

Evaluation is about using information you collect to make judgements, changes and improvements to your project. If monitoring is more about numbers and figures, evaluating is more about how far this information provides evidence of impact and change.

Every Adventure Playground is unique. What works for one may not work for another, so it is important to be open to amending and adapting the resources and examples in this toolkit. One size doesn't fit all!

