

HUMEUR ADVISEUR

Supports children with cancer to express themselves in order to create a suitable planning with their teacher



Design Brief

Under the project 'Meedoen=Groeien!', the 'Humeur adviseur' is developed to **improve the school experience of children with cancer** aged 8-10 years old.

A teacher often **underestimates** a sick child, while the child tends to **overestimate** him/herself. This has a negative effect on the self-confidence, self-image, and development of the child. By giving the teacher insight into the well-being of the sick child, they are able to create together a suitable planning.

'Gevoelens medaille' - Product

The 'Gevoelens medaille' stimulates the sick child to **think and talk** about his/her mood and energy level and supports him/her in **expressing his/her well-being** in a quick, easy, and unforced way.

Also, it makes the impact of the cancer and its treatment "visible" for both the teacher and classmates, which results in **understanding** and **empathy**.

The 'Gevoelens medaille' is laying on the sick child's table and can be used whenever he/she wants throughout the day.

'Mijn les' – Cards

The cards are used by all children, to give the sick child the feeling he/she is **treated as a "normal" child**. For the sick child, the cards are used by the teacher to **communicate** what the child could do during the lesson. Based on these tasks the child can choose which tasks he/she is going to do. Due to this involvement the child regains the feeling of **control** and **over-/underestimation is prevented**. The back of the cards can be used to reflect on the lessons by the child and teacher.