Sensory Support

Supporting deaf children and young people aged 0 to 25
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The Hearing Support Team supports babies, children, young people and their families in mainstream schools, special schools, colleges, universities, early years settings and homes. It helps those who have a diagnosed hearing impairment and who use hearing aids or cochlear implants.

We offer:
- Early intervention
- Specialist advice, teaching and assessment
- Reaching potential with high aspirations
- Enabling access to the full curriculum
- Successful inclusion – birth to 25

We receive referrals from ENT consultants, audiologists, schools, other services and parents.

The team are:
- Qualified teachers of the deaf
- Specialist teaching assistants
- Educational audiologist
- Audiological technicians
- Sign language tutor
Mainstream, special and post-16 settings

We aim to raise the achievement and promote the inclusion of children and young people with hearing impairment, both at school and beyond.

We are able to provide:

- Individual teaching
- In-class support
- Audiological assessment and technical support (e.g. radio aids)
- Training for all staff including deaf awareness and bespoke courses
- Customised, nationally accredited sign language courses
- Advice on communication, language and literacy
- Advice on differentiation
- Advice on the acoustic/listening environment
- Specialist assessments and advice for Education, Health and Care Plans
- Advice on traditional target setting, GCSEs, A Levels and vocational courses
- Advice and guidance to parents and school staff
- Liaison with health and other agencies
- Support for transition
- Opportunities for pupils with hearing impairment to meet pupils from other schools and to share experiences