

# Speech and Language Therapy for Children in Special Schools



If your child has been referred to Speech and Language Therapy for an assessment. This leaflet will give you some information about how we will work with your child.

#### Who do we work with in school?

Children may receive a Speech and Language Therapy programme in school when there is identified staff support within the classroom environment.

### The Speech and Language Therapist's (SLT's) Role:

- We will ask that you meet with us before we see your child for the first time, so that you can provide us with information about your child's development. We can talk about the contents of this leaflet at the same time.
- We will assess your child's communication skills through face to face assessment and/or classroom observation and provide written feedback within 2 -3 weeks.
- We will meet with your child's keyworker in school to discuss and agree practical ways that your child's communication skills can be supported during everyday activities.
- We will discharge your child if their speech and language skills are in-line with their learning ability and when appropriate advice and recommendations have been made.
- We will meet with you on request to discuss your child's progress and demonstrate targets.
- We will endeavour to attend Parent's evenings if requested to do so by school.



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#### The School's Role:

- To advise you of the dates of our planned visits to school.
- To let us know if your child is absent from school on the date of their planned visit.
- To contact us when a re-assessment or update of your child's targets is required.
- To inform us if your child has moved into/out of school.

#### Parent's Role:

- To support your child's programme of targets within the home environment
- To let us know if you change address/phone number and if your child moves school.
- To contact us directly if there are any concerns/ questions regarding your child's speech and language therapy input.
- To contact us when a re-assessment or update of targets is required.
- To let us know if your child is also working with a private speech and language therapist.

## **MORE INFORMATION**

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