

Sensory Impaired Services

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Opening Times:	8.30 – 5.00pm Mon – Thurs, 8.30 – 4.30pm Fri

Link to SEN Matrix:	Sensory and/or Physical Needs (Visual/Hearing Impairment)
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Service aims:	The Services provide educational advice and support for sensory impaired children and their families and ongoing professional development and training for staff. The Services also provide specialist equipment to facilitate effective communication and links with other relevant agencies.
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To access the support:	<p>Initial referrals should be made via the school concerned, or via the Health Worker/Member of the Pre-School Team in the case of pre-school children.</p> <p>School Referrals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Referral to LA Support Services Form completed by school and signed by parents/carers• Visit arranged to assess child's needs in school• Initial assessment undertaken• Allocation of appropriate level of support according to Criteria for Support – Support Matrix. Copy available through Eduwight.
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Method of support:	The Service for Sensory Impaired children will allocate support time according to the Criteria for Support and Support Matrix and review the process annually.
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More Info available:	<p>Service guidance document available through Eduwight</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Log onto iwight.com2. click on the Learning Heading3. Click on Eduwight link4. Click on Special Educational Needs in blue border on left5. on left hand side under Other sections click on Guide to Sensory Impaired Services6. Choose from list to view or print
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