



**Tameside Sensory Support Service**

**Team for Children with Hearing  
Impairment**



## **Who We Are**

In the Sensory Support Hearing Impairment Team there are:

- Teachers of Children with Hearing Impairment
- Specialist Support Assisants
- an Educational Audiologist.

The Hearing Impairment Team works throughout Tameside, in Nurseries, Mainstream and Special Schools, as well as in the home with very young and newly diagnosed children with hearing impairment. We also advise and support in some Further Education Establishments.

## **Who Can Access the Service**

We work with children with varying degrees of hearing impairment, from mild conductive losses to profoundly deaf children. Children are referred to us by a variety of agencies, including schools, nurseries and the Paediatric Audiology Service

## **What We Do**

- We offer support and advice to families of children with hearing impairment.
- We offer training for staff in different educational settings.
- We support and advise staff working with children with hearing impairment.
- We teach children in individual or small group sessions according to need, to develop their communication and listening skills.
- We offer support in using sign language.
- We assess children's functional hearing.
- We liaise with the Paediatric Audiology Service.
- We supervise the management and use of hearing aids and FM radio aid systems in schools.
- We work closely with the Visual Impairment team and other agencies.

## **Where We Are And How To Contact Us**

We can be contacted at

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