

Vision Impairment Newsletter



Who we are?

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What we do?

- We work with the sensory support team to assess and implement activities to support all children in Ashgate school.
- We support all staff to understand vision impairments and if they have any concerns they speak to us and we refer them to sensory support team.
- Keep parents updated.

Resource of the Term!

This Autumn our 'resource of the term' is CVI stories and songs which you can find on Google and YouTube

**The Very Hungry
Caterpillar**



These stories, songs and pictures are found on Google and YouTube and have lots of different age ranges. Type in CVI stories or songs.

Classes are being encouraged to use this resource to focus on Tracking, fixation, Visual attention, localisation (are they aware of the visuals on the screen) and visual directed reach (are they moving or kicking parts of the body to reach the screen) The goal is to encourage the children to read stories. They can help children learn new words, and develop their reading skills. Not only do stories introduce new vocabulary, but they give children opportunities to use them in various contexts.

Useful Tools/ Apps

Super cute and friendly characters promote happiness, movement, learning, visual tracking, visual attention, fixation, relaxation and sleep.

Hey Bear is a happy medium. It doesn't move too quickly, it has stimulating colours and sounds

