

Gwasanaeth Nam ar y Golwg Gwasanaethau Cymorth Cyfathrebu a Synhwyraidd

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Vision and Multi-sensory Impairment service (SenCom) Who are we?





Gill Williams VI Specialist **HL** Teaching Assistant

Deb Parry Habilitation Specialist



Mandy John VI Specialist Teaching Assistant



Katie Salter Qualified Teacher of MDVI



Andrew Jones Qualified Teacher of VI/MSI

How does the Vision Impairment Service (SenCom) Help?

The Vision Impairment Service (VIS) aims to support the successful inclusion of children and young people with vision impairment (VI), multiple disabilities and vision impairment (MDVI) and those with multi-sensory impairment (MSI) in Trinity Fields School and their home environment. VIS works closely in partnership with children and young people with VI/MSI, parents, school staff and other professionals at Trinity Fields School to meet their individual VI and MSI requirements and needs.

Vision Impairment

Following a referral and assessment the VI service can provide a range of services including direct support strategies and recommendations to ensure that the child is given the opportunity to develop their vision and use it at its optimum in a vision friendly environment.

Multi-sensory Impairment

Children and young people with multi-sensory impairment (MSI) have a combination of hearing and vision loss. Advice and guidance is made available to parents and school regarding beneficial strategies, establishing appropriate programmes and monitoring the development of communication and their senses.

Habilitation

The Habilitation Specialist provides training, direct support, intervention and advice in mobility, orientation and independent living skills for children and young people with VI/MSI to enable the children to become as independent as possible.

following areas:

- Training is available to school and parents in the VI awareness training
- MSI awareness training, communication Object cues/ref (implementation and use) Visual development training (Positive looking)

The Vison Impairment Service welcomes enquiries and referrals from anyone with concerns or questions regarding vision or multi-sensory impairment and associated equipment. Referral forms can be obtained by contacting the service on 01633 648888 or emailing VIS@torfaen.gov.uk or

> by contacting Katie Salter (QTVI) or Andrew Jones (QTVI/MSI) directly Andrew.Jones@torfaen.gov.uk Katie.salter@torfaen.gov.uk

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