

SNAP Specialist Play

SNAP is the charity for pre-school children (and families) with additional and complex learning needs, providing practical and creative support, empowering children to have a 'voice', express their needs, and to meet their potential, through the power of play.

A Child's Journey

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Health Professionals have identified child as having additional learning needs, referral made to SNAP, contact is made between snap and parents



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SNAP staff meet with child and family at "stay & play". A one page profile is devised to discuss the individual needs of the child and parent, weekly review to look at further invitation to external professionals who could offer further support

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STAY & PLAY

During Stay & Play, SNAP staff facilitate introduction to wider community across health, education and the voluntary sector and also with other parents going through a similar situation

The first 1,000 days of a child's life are important for a child's healthy growth, setting a course for physical, behavioural, social and emotional development.

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Parents invited to complete induction at Snap Specialist play (SSP). Observation, assessment and early intervention starts through fun 1:1 play sessions.

SPECIALIST PLAY

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Our ethos is to provide each child with their 'voice'. Transitions continue within setting, between activities and for choice making. We use various communication strategies to allow activities to become child led for those children who are non verbal.



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Children will receive an assessment period of 1-2 terms of support, provided by highly skilled play specialist support workers (PSSW) through play therapy which celebrates children's strengths using bespoke strategies. Staff work in partnership with professionals involved in support of each child (and family) to reach their full potential.

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On completion of assessment, SNAP staff continue to work in collaboration within the early years team to ensure that all children leaving snap continue to have their needs met through individual development plans in line with the ALN reform.



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