

Assessing your child's individual and educational needs

The assessment takes place in your child's nursery or pre-school.

If your child is not yet attending nursery/pre-school, the EYs SEND Outreach Teacher can meet with you to provide an overview of the various options available.

The assessment process

1. Referrals for assessment are received from the CDC.
2. Key information about your child is requested from your child's nursery.
3. Once this information is received, the EYs SEND Outreach Teacher will arrange to meet with you to find out more about your child's individual needs.
4. The EYs SEND Outreach Teacher will meet with key staff working with your child in nursery.
5. Your child will be observed by the EYs SEND Outreach Teacher whilst in nursery.
6. At the end of the assessment, the EYs SEND Outreach Teacher will provide you with a written summary.
7. Copies of this summary will be shared with key staff at your child's nursery and health professionals at the CDC.

Please note: whilst your child attends nursery, your child's key person will remain your first point of contact.

Information Leaflet for Parents



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Outreach Support Service



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What is the Outreach Support Service?

The Outreach Support Service is provided by Sandy Lane Nursery and Forest School on behalf of the Local Authority.

The Outreach Support

Service has close links with other agencies, including:

- Health professionals working within the Child Development Centre (CDC)
- Local Authority Inclusion and Education Support Officers
- Early Years practitioners working within nurseries across Warrington

The Early Years Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (EYs SEND) Outreach Team is based at Sandy Lane Nursery and Forest School. The teachers in this team co-ordinate the daily management of the Outreach Support Service, providing:

- Support for children (aged 0-4 years) who are referred to the Child Development Centre
- An overview of options available for nursery/pre-school (where the child is not yet attending nursery)
- Guidance and support for staff working within the child's nursery/pre-school (private and voluntary settings only)
- Liaison with health and education professionals
- Information and advice for parents in planning to start school
- An assessment of the child's individual and educational needs



Where does the assessment take place?

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What if your child attends a nursery class in a primary school?

If your child attends a nursery class within a primary school, the school SENCo/class teacher (not the EYs SEND Outreach Teacher) will assess your child's individual and educational needs and also provide relevant information and support.