

## **Speech & Language Therapy Referral**

A Speech & Language Therapy referral can be made for many reasons, not simply a difficulty with speech sounds.

Reasons for a Speech & Language Therapy (SaLT) referral could be;



**Phonological Awareness** – if a child is having difficulty identifying sounds in words.



**Processing Speed** – if a child has difficulty processing and following information and instructions.



**Use of Language** – if a child's structures of sentences is immature for their age.



**Reading and Spelling** – if a child is not making progress in their reading and spelling.



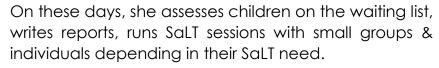
**Speech Sound Production** – if the way a child makes sounds is not clear or accurate outside of typical development.



**Social Communication** – if a child is finding social interactions such as developing friendships, turn-taking or conversation difficult.

For our mainstream children, we work with a company called Words First.

The Speech & Language Therapist is in school 1 day each fortnight.





If your child is referred for an assessment, they will join the waiting list.

See over the page for the stages of a SaLT referral.

