

Introduction

Welcome to Devon Integrated Services Resource Pack for children and young people who are attending a mainstream school. This area has been designed to support families, carers and professionals who have concerns about a child or young person's development. It will provide them with a greater understanding of development, when to be concerned and how to help. It focuses on difficulties that fall within the expertise of speech and language therapy and occupational therapy.

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These pages contain information on:

- Expected development of children and young people in the areas above.
- Acceptable variations in development
- When children and young people may need additional; support to promote their development
- Fact sheets with strategies and practical activities for you to use.

A number of children and young people will show difficulties at some point in their development, however most will progress without need for a referral to another service with the right environment, and those who spend the most time with the child using of simple strategies. A small proportion of children and young people will go on to require additional specialist support from ICS. This area will help you identify where you can help and where specialist help may be required.