

# **Our Details:**

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# **Vision**

Seeking



**Preschool** 

**Barnsley Children's Therapy Services** 





# What do we mean by visual seeking?

Someone who actively creates visual experiences (finds or creates things to look at) in everyday situations.

## Does your child:

- Seek bright lights?
- · Look at things out of the corner of their eyes?
- Watch repetitive movements e.g., finger flicking / spinning objects?

For those individuals who **seek** sensory information, the aim is to **increase the intensity** of specific sensory experiences within daily activities i.e., provide opportunities to experience **more** visual information.

# **Ideas to Try:**

## Play / School Work / Concentration

- Use contrasting backgrounds to make objects stand out (bright coloured table cloth with white paper on for drawing/painting).
- Play with visual toys (lights / coloured images) kaliedoscopes; telescopes, rainmaker bubble, sensory tubes
- Use bright and spot lighting.
- Use torches in a dark room to 'find' objects or shapes or make animal shadows
- Light up drawing boards

## **Dressing / Grooming**

- Include bright colours or bold patterns on clothing.
- Try coloured bubble bath, body wash, crazy foam or bath crayons to promote washing
- Use contrasting backgrounds to make objects stand out e.g. yellow placemat with blue crockery at meal times.
- Use visual timers and schedules to help organisation.
- Mirrors.

## **Ideas of things to make:**

- Shaker toys (glitter / sequins).
- Spinners.
- Label drawers / cupboards with pictures.
- Kaleidoscope.
- Gel bags with objects or letters inside.

Remember sensory processing is complex.

Its different for every child (& adult) because everyone is unique!

And more importantly there is never a 'wrong' way to be!!