**Glue Ear Passport – *Date***

**Hear Glue Ear**

**(Supporting c/yp with glue ear)**

**Name: Year:**   **Date of birth:**

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| **Hearing**  | Glue ear is caused by fluid/ mucus building up behind the ear drum often caused by a cough, cold or ear infection. This can sometimes cause a hearing loss because sound then isn’t easily transferred from the ear drum to the inner hearing system.For more in depth information about glue ear please visit:<https://hearglueear.wordpress.com/> |
| **Equipment**  | * Wireless bone conductor headphones
* Bluetooth wireless live microphone

You will need to charge it daily/overnight.Discuss with the c/yp who will take ownership of the management of the equipment. |
| **Communication**Diad Clip Art | * Don’t move around when talking.
* Speak clearly but keep your lip patterns natural, not exaggerated.
* Get c/yp’s attention before you speak to them.
* Make sure the classroom is well lit, the speaker’s face not in shadow.
* Listening with glue ear can be very tiring.
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| **Support** Strategies | * Ensure the c/yp can easily see the speaker.
* Keep background noise down to a minimum.
* When other children are speaking say their name so c/yp knows who to look at.
* Repeat / rephrase what other children say.
* Check c/yp has heard and understood instructions and important information.
* Use visual clues e.g. subtitles, pictures, gesture, objects, write text.
* Highlight new vocabulary.
* C/yp may benefit from short listening breaks.
* Move to a quieter space if needed.
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| **Challenging situations** | * Noisy environments e.g. swimming, playtimes and lunchtimes.
* Group times.
* Class discussions.
* Aural/oral task.
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