

# Keeping an eye on your child's hearing

## Hearing Screening



Your child's hearing was screened as part of the Before School check. This screen picks up most hearing problems. **No hearing problems were found by screening at this time.**

## What to look for in future

Some children who passed this screen may develop a hearing problem later.

If your child has learning or reading difficulties or speech which is unclear or hard to understand, this may mean he/she may have a hearing problem.

Your child will NOT routinely have their hearing checked again at school, so if you are concerned about your child's hearing it is important that you:

- 1) Ask that they have their hearing screened by a Vision Hearing Technician on their next visit (if your child is at a preschool, primary or intermediate school); OR
- 2) Go to your doctor to get a referral to have your child's hearing assessed by an audiologist.

If your child does have a hearing problem, finding out early is good for their learning and development.

## If in doubt - check it out!

For further information about children's hearing screening, or to download this brochure, visit the Ministry of Health website: <http://www.moh.govt.nz/b4schoolcheck> or call the free 24-hour health advice service, Plunketline on (0800 933 922).



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