

Admission to Centres

Pupils will be discussed at an Admissions Meeting with the agreement of parents/ carers. The meeting is chaired by the SEN Officer and is attended by the Lead Teacher for Communication & Interaction together with a representative from the Educational Psychology Service and the Speech and Language Therapy Service. Headteachers of the Centres are invited to attend. The meeting is held at least twice a year.

- Reports are required from an Educational Psychologist, a Speech & Language Therapist and an Advisory Teacher (C&I) who supports the pupil, together with a completed Communication and Interaction Profile.
- Pupils must have a severe to profound communication and interaction difficulty and have a statement or be undergoing assessment.
- The communication and interaction difficulty should be the primary need and have a significant impact on the pupil's ability to access the curriculum, social and academic.
- Pupils would benefit socially and academically from a mainstream setting.

Communication & Interaction Primary Centres

Cheltenham
Tewkesbury
North Cotswolds

Christ Church C of E Primary School
Malvern Road, Cheltenham
Glos. GL50 2NR

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admin@christchurch-chelt.gloucs.sch.uk

Forest of Dean

Ruardean C of E Primary School
School Road, Ruardean
Glos. GL17 9XQ

☎ 01594 542461 ☎ 01594 542461
admin@ruardean.gloucs.sch.uk

Gloucester City
Quedgeley

Tuffley Primary School
Evenlode Road, Tuffley
Gloucester. GL4 0JY

☎ 01452 526442 ☎ 01452 526442
admin@tuffley.gloucs.sch.uk

Stroud
Cirencester
South Cotswolds

Gastrells Community Primary School
Kingscourt Lane, Stroud
Glos. GL5 3PS

☎ 01453 765959 ☎ 01453 765959
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Advisory Teaching Service

Gill Wade

Acting Lead Advisory Teacher
Communication & Interaction Team

Gill Wade 01452 324376

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Communication & Interaction Centres

Specialist centres attached
to mainstream primary schools



IMPACT
Including and Motivating Pupils with
Autism and Communication Needs



Gloucestershire

COUNTY COUNCIL

Communication & Interaction Primary Centres

Gloucestershire has four centres attached to mainstream schools across the county:

Christ Church in Cheltenham, covering Cheltenham, Tewkesbury and the North Cotswolds

Gastrells in Stroud, covering Stroud, Cirencester and the South Cotswolds

Ruardean in the Forest, covering The Forest of Dean

Tuffley in Gloucester, covering Gloucester City and Quedgeley



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Who do we support?

We offer support to children with severe to profound difficulties in the areas of:

**Language and Communication
Autism Spectrum**

What do we offer?

- A total communication approach including symbols, signing, picture exchange and ICT
- A structured teaching environment, based upon recognised principles
- An emphasis upon social skills, including regular access to social skills groups
- An emphasis upon stress and anxiety management for pupils
- Small step teaching where language and communication targets are integrated into daily planning within a national curriculum framework.
- Flexible access to small groups and whole class teaching as appropriate, including integration into mainstream classes.
- Regular access to a specialist teacher, specialist teaching assistant and specialist speech and language therapist with knowledge and experience of communication and interaction difficulties.

Referral to Centres

There is a range of provision available to meet the needs of pupils with communication and interaction difficulties.

The professionals (e.g. Advisory Teacher, Educational Psychologist, Speech and Language Therapist) will discuss the options with parents/carers. One of the options might be a Centre.

