

now>press>play for hearing-impaired pupils

Below are some steps to consider to help pupils with hearing impairments access a now>press>play Experience. It is important to note that this is a guide only and it is the school's responsibility to ensure that the solution works best for the individual child and their needs.

Test the equipment

- Can the headset go over the hearing aid?
- Is the headset comfortable or do you need to adjust the position?
- Have you adjusted the volume dial on the headset to ensure appropriate levels?
- Is the child's hearing aid producing abnormal feedback?

Other options

If the headset does not fit comfortably over the hearing aid or cochlear implant, or the child is experiencing feedback then there are other options to explore.

- **Direct input lead** - Direct input leads can connect the hearing aid or implant to the tablet or we can provide a Ned receiver which picks up the Experience from the transmitter. Our headsets can also be plugged into a loop system
- **Splitter cable for a radio aid system**
 - The splitter cable is connected to the top of the tablet
 - The radio aid is connected to one end of the splitter
 - The transmitter is connected to the other end of the splitter
- **T Programme, loop system and Ned receiver**
 - The transmitter is connected to the tablet
 - The Ned receiver is connected to the loop system
 - The hearing aid or cochlear implant is set to the T programme
- **Bluetooth** - Bluetooth technology allows the tablet to stream the Experience directly to the hearing aid, cochlear implant or radio aid.

We advise asking your SENCO to enquire with the child's Teacher of the Deaf and/or audiologist to establish the needs of the child and explore the best solution for them. The solution should aim to provide stereo sound to both ears so the child's experience of now>press>play is as close to that of their hearing peers as possible.

If you have any questions or require support please contact Amy: amy@nowpressplay.co.uk. We work closely with [Connevans](http://connevans.com) who have a wealth of experience, specialising in equipment for deaf and hard of hearing people and audio products. Should you wish to contact them directly for advice please email: info@connevans.com

And finally, this [case study](#) explains how Glebe Primary School use now>press>play with children in their enhanced provision for hearing-impaired pupils.