

Inclusion and Intervention Support Team (IIST)



Guide to the Portage and Early Years Service

What is the IIST?

The Inclusion and Intervention Support Team (formerly SEND Support Service) supports children and young people aged 0–19 with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) across West Northamptonshire. It offers two distinct services:

- Early Years (0–5 years)
- School Age (5 –19 years, Year 1- Year 13)
- Both include a family offer and aim to build inclusive practice, model interventions, and support transition

Website: <https://wnc.ai/VbjRV>



Portage and Early Years Service

Who is it for?

Children and young people aged 0 to 5 years, from birth to the end of reception year, with SEND or developmental delays.

What does the service offer?

- Portage Home Teaching: Structured, play-based learning delivered at home
- Play and Development Skills: Support tailored to each child's needs

- Advice & Signposting: For families and professionals
- Family Hubs Support: Attendance at Family Hub and SEND sessions for informal chats with families to offer advice and guidance

Educational Settings:

- Modelling inclusive practice
- Training for staff
- Support with assessments (e.g., Portage Developmental Profile)

Eligibility

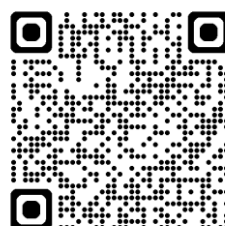
There is no eligibility criteria, but you must provide evidence of SEND or developmental concerns. This may include:

Graduated Approach documentation:

- Assess, Plan, Do, Review (APDR)
- SMART targets
- Portage Developmental Profile
- Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ)

How to Apply

- **Complete the online request form:** <https://wnc.ai/eyfsform>



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