

ORTHOPTICS



Orthoptists



Highly skilled in assessing what children can see

THE specialists in how the eyes move and work together



Experts in understanding neurological defects affecting how we see

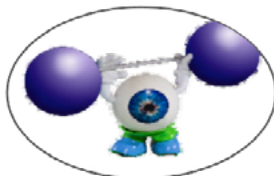
Who should see an Orthoptist?

If you experience:	If you see:
Double vision 	Strabismus (eye turn)
Blurred vision – not corrected by glasses 	Ptosis (droopy eyelid)
Visual field loss 	Nystagmus (continuous uncontrolled eye movements)

For an appointment you can ask your GP, health visitor, optometrist or hospital consultant for a referral to the Orthoptist at the eye (ophthalmology) clinic.

How can an Orthoptist help?

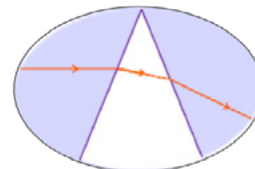
Exercises



Patches



Prisms



Glasses



Advice

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Making a difference to peoples lives.

Orthoptists

- experts in assessing visual function

Children with learning disabilities are 28 times more likely to have a serious sight problem than other children and require specialist assessments.*







Eye care for children with special educational needs



4 in 10 pupils have no history of sight tests or eye care*

Common eye problems in children with special educational needs

-  Strabismus - misalignment of the eyes
-  Amblyopia - disorder preventing normal visual development
-  Cerebral visual impairment - brain problem affecting how children use their vision and interpret what they see
-  Eye movement disorders - conditions such as nystagmus (constantly moving eyes) can significantly impair visual function



Orthoptists assess, diagnose and treat these and many other conditions

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