

If there is anything else you or your family would like to know, please ask.

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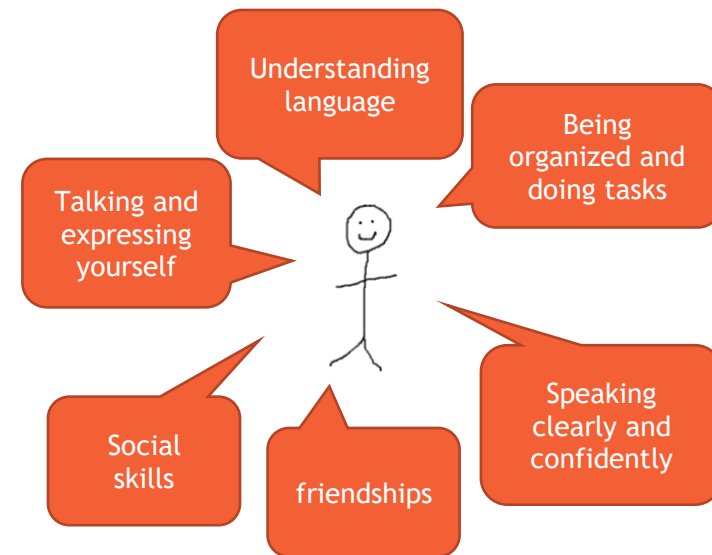
where you can leave a message and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

# Speech & Language Therapy

in the Youth Justice Service.

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## Why have I been asked to see a speech and language therapist?

Someone who knows you well or works with you might have noticed that sometimes you might find it difficult to.....

- Understand what's being said to you
- Remember lots of information
- Find the words to say what you want to say
- Know what to say to people or find it hard to make friends and keep friendships
- Speak clearly so that others can understand you

## WHAT DOES A SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPIST DO?

My job is to work with you to find out what you are good at and what can be difficult for you. These might cause you problems with communication.

I will look at what your understanding and talking are like in everyday situations.

### What will happen in the session?

- I will ask you some questions to find out what your interests are and about some of the things you enjoy the most.
- I am interested in finding out what is easy or difficult for you with communication or learning. For instance '*what am I like at understanding instructions in the classroom?*' or '*what am I like describing or explaining things that have happened?*'
- I might ask you to take part in some tasks to help me find out more so that I can work out ways to help.

## WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?

- Difficulties with communication can often explain why everyday tasks can be hard for people.
- If we can find out what you can do easily and what is difficult for you, we can help to improve things (make things better) for you in your everyday life.
- We can let other people working with you know about some of the things they can do to help.
- You can decide if there are things you would like to work on.

### Why are communication skills important?

Communication skills are important for lots of different things such as;

- Having good friendships or relationships
- Getting on well at school or college
- Standing up for yourself, saying what you need and what you think.
- Getting jobs or learning a skill.
- Managing your life – your interests, your money, your work, your relationships.