

Mild & Moderate VI

What does this mean?

A child with a mild or moderate vision impairment will have reduced vision with acuities of 6/36 or better. This means that in broad terms they see at 6 metres what a fully sighted person can see at 36 metres.

Vision will not be fully corrected by wearing glasses

Implications for Learning

- Pupils will not be able to access distant information e.g. on white board.
- They may miss out on incidental learning such as information on display boards.
- They may take longer to copy information, as refocussing from near to distance is difficult
- Fast moving games/ ball games will be difficult
- They may find it difficult to find familiar people in a crowd.
- They may take longer to complete visually demanding tasks.

Ways to help

- Pupils with a mild vision impairment will need to sit within 2 metres of distant information.
- Always say the pupils name at the beginning when addressing them.
- Read what you are writing on the board.
- They may need some enlargement or increased spacing of written material.
- Written material needs to be of good quality and contrast in a clear font such as arial.
- In addition, pupils with a moderate vision impairment will need individual access to distant information.
- Brightly coloured balls/ equipment should be used in PE.

Other resources:

W: berkshiresensoryconsortium.co.uk