Communication and Interaction

At Hollywater, we feel that it is of the upmost importance that all pupils develop their communication skills in whatever way they can. Hollywater is a Total Communication Environment, this means that we use a wide variety of methods to develop and support pupils communication. These include:

- Makaton
- PECs
- Aided Language Displays (ALDs)
- Communication books
- TaSSeLs (Tactile Signing for Sensory Learners)
- IPads with communication programmes on. (This are individually prescribed and funded through the ACE centre after a referral)
- Eye Gaze
- Etran Frames
- Word map
- Symbols Communication In Print
- Photographs
- Intensive Interaction
- Sound Buttons
- Attention Autism Programme and Curiosity Programme.
- Now and Next cards and schedules

There is a Communication and Interaction Lead, who ensure that communication strategies are implemented across the school, that staff receive the training they need for individual pupils and liaise with the Speech and Language therapist as well as manage the Speech and Language assistant in school.