

# The RIVER SCHOOL

## Parent-Infant Program

SUPPORTING THE GROWTH OF YOUR CHILD AND FAMILY

### Audiology Corner



**Having trouble keeping your little one's hands off of his/her hearing aids or cochlear implants?**

1. Try two sided wig tape to keep the hearing aid or headpiece in place.
2. If age appropriate, try the Pilot Cap from Hanna Andersson.
3. Website: <http://www.etsy.com/shop/thehearinghalo>

### ✧ Getting to Know You ✧

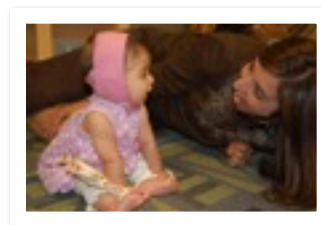
*We are happy to welcome returning and new families to the Parent-Infant Program! Meeting new people is something your child experiences on a daily basis. The following are some ways to help promote the development of social skills.*

#### 1) Turn-Taking

- \* Conversational Turn-Taking: listen to your child 'talk' and provide them with a response or a question
- \* Interactive Turn-Taking: activities such as rolling a ball back and forth or taking turns blowing bubbles help to establish this skill

#### 2) Eye Contact

- \* Play games such as peek-a-boo or 'silly' facial imitation games
- \* Encourage your child to make eye contact during 'conversations'



### Take Home Tips

*Everyday activities and events can be used as ideal language learning opportunities. Talk and/or sign to your child and look at him/her expectantly while you wait for a response.*

#### Waking Up!

"Hi, (child's name)."  
"Let's put on your hearing aids/implant."  
"Where's mommy/daddy?"  
"It's time to wake up!"  
"Where's the light?"  
"Turn the light on/off."  
"I love you!"  
"Open the window."

"Do you want up/down?"  
"Up, up, up!"  
"Do you want a hug?"  
"Here's a hug!"  
"That's a big hug!"  
"It's time to get dressed."  
"Go get your shoes."