# Portage

#### What is Portage?

- > We are a home visiting educational service for very young children with significant additional/support needs.
- Provide support for families by working alongside parents offering practical help and ideas to encourage a child's emerging skills.

### > How do we work?

Assigned Home Visitor who will visit at an agreed date and time every week for a minimum of 3 months/12 visits

Child-Led

Play

Family Focus Structured

Teaching

Visits are made to the family home and last up to an hour.

#### ➤ How to refer?

- > Anyone can refer to us professionals, nurseries or parent's themselves.
- Form can be found here and details as to where/how to send it.

Portage Service, West Sussex (Autism, Inclusion) | West Sussex Local Offer (local-offer.org)

- > We currently accept referrals up to the age of 3years 6months on the date of referral.
- Co-Ordinator has to make an initial visit to the family before they can be put onto our waiting list.

## Contact details

<u>emma.cox@westsussex.gov.uk</u> – any further questions or queries.