10 TIPS WHEN USING AN ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICE

- 1. Make sure that the transmitter and receiver are working a pupil will know whether it is working so check with them.
- 2. Clip or hang the transmitter about 15-20cm below your mouth.
- 3. Switch the transmitter on when talking to the whole class or a group that a deaf pupil is working with.
- 4. Remember to switch the transmitter off when you are having a conversation that a deaf pupil does not need to hear, for example if you are talking to another teacher.
- 5. A transmitter can pick up background noise so try not to stand in a noisy area such as next to an open window or door.
- 6. Before you shout turn the transmitter off.
- 7. Do not let the microphone knock against clothing or jewellery.
- 8. During class discussions or group work pass the transmitter to the pupils who are talking. If this isn't practical remember to summarise what has been said.
- 9. The transmitter can be connected to equipment such as a television, computer, radio or stereo. Ask the teacher of the deaf for advice on how to do this.
- 10. Contact the teacher of the deaf for more advice or if the radio is broken.

