

AAC stands for “Augmentative and Alternative Communication”.

AAC encompasses methods, systems, tools and strategies to support a person who has difficulties communicating with speech alone.

Augmentative Communication is when we add something to the speech to make it clearer to the listeners. This can include using signs or pictures to clarify what you want to say.

Alternative Communication is when a different communication method is needed when we are unable to speak, or the listeners do not understand speech.

Communication is a fundamental human right. The purpose of AAC is to provide the person with a form of communication so that they can:

- Express their needs and wants
- Participate in making their own life choices and expressing their opinions
- Make and maintain relationships.
- Make connections with others at school, in the workplace and in the community.

Kids+ have advanced knowledge, skills, and resources for supporting AAC.

Our team can explore the multiple ways that your child uses to communicate and can provide additional strategies, tools, and equipment to expand and enhance their communication and interaction with others.

This may comprise of pictures and symbols, sign language or computerised devices that can support your child’s communication goals.