

# Sensary Wellbeing Online Warkshap

#### WE WILL EXPLORE:

How to raise awareness of the sensory system
How the sensory system can help with self-regulation
Identify strategies that can enhance sensory wellbeing
The language and tools to communicate your sensory needs

We will explore sensory items together and help you identify your own sensory strategy

### Please prepare 1-5 items for each of the categories below:

#### VISION

#### Items that affect your sense of sight. For example:

- Sunglasses, tinted glasses
- Sensory lights
- Photos
- Books/ magazines
- Optical illusions (Google Image search)
- Letters
- Taking yourself somewhere visually appropriate for you (garden/greenspaces)

### TOUCH

# Items that feel pleasant/nice when you hold it in your hand. For example:

- Soft blankets/pillows/cushions or toys
- Weighted blanket
- Bag/bowl of dried rice/ dried beans
- Textured items: scraps of fabric, (e.g velvet, wool)
- Stress ball (Option: make your own with balloons + beans/rice!)
- Brush
- BlueTak/ play doh

### **SMELL**

# Items in the household that smell nice to you. For example:

- Scented oils
- Scented candles
- Scented body lotion
- Flowers
- Potpourri (Dried plants e.g. lavender)
- Perfume/room spray

### **HEARING**

## Items that affect your sense of hearing. For example:

- Ear defenders, ear plugs.
- Headphones to play music that suits you and your level of arousal. It may be calming, soothing music or it may be heavy metal!
- You can also consider apps such as 'Headspace' and 'Calm' which have some free content. You can also listen to some white noise or other 'waves'.