

## Precautions with Cochlear Implant Users

- ★ Be aware of static electricity - it can wipe out the implant program on the processor
- ★ Avoid plastic play equipment (slides) and plastic furniture
- ★ Touch the child before the implant equipment
- ★ Touch the desk or table before the equipment
- ★ Avoid moisture
- ★ If it is raining, or misty outside, cover the implant with a hood and send the child inside the school
- ★ Avoid the use of a water table where the implant might be dropped in or splashed on
- ★ Wear a helmet for activities which would normally require this type of protection eg. bike riding
- ★ Keep in mind - if the implant battery dies or the processor is not working, the child is DEAF once again.