

PROTECTING YOUR CHILD'S HEARING

Some hearing facts...

- ◆ **Children have more trouble hearing in noisy environments than adults!** This is because their nervous systems are not mature. Children learn best in quiet, both at home and school.
- ◆ **Noise or loud music can hurt your child's ears!** Firecrackers are really dangerous – they can cause sudden permanent damage. Power tools, lawnmowers and even loud music can damage the delicate inner ear. When your child is around loud noises, protect them with earplugs or earmuffs or better still, avoid the noise.
- ◆ **Do you have concerns about your child's hearing?** Talk to your school nurse about getting a referral to a Health Unit Hearing Clinic. These clinics provide screening, testing, assessment, hearing aid fittings and other services.

For more information contact:

- ◆ Your local Health Unit Hearing Clinic

Hearing Clinics:

Victoria 250-388-2250

West Shore 250-519-3490