## **RIX Wikis for CENMAC students**





A multimedia toolkit to empower every student, no matter their abilities, a voice/tool to share their needs, thoughts, abilities, skills, aspirations, hopes and dreams – multimedia self-advocacy.

## What is A RIX Wiki?

A wiki is a person-specific interactive website for the students themselves and everyone involved in their care and education to share information. It is a secure, password protected web-based tool which can include video, images, text, documents and audio files. These will be lifelong tools which will eventually be owned by the student and their family. Secure logins are created and only invited individuals via email will be able to access the sites of just particular areas.





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## Benefits for CENMAC students

Rix Wikis will be able to share how best to support their implementation of technology and what they would like to achieve with the various assistive technology tools. The wikis support multi-disciplinary working and bring everyone together including families, professionals and school staff to coordinate the priorities and aspirations of the individual.



"For my child, it means people understand him better. It is much easier for people involved in my child's care to understand him with a short period of time. You don't have to read reams of files before you get to know my child. It also helped me to find out more about my child's school life."

- Carer whose child has recently been involved in developing a wiki

The wikis are an effective tool for developing self-advocacy skills, especially for those who are non-verbal, to have a voice at Annual Review meetings, or at times when decisions are being made. To be able to support communication between home and school and during times of transition. They are ideal for showing progress and achievements and will be particularly important to demonstrate the progress which then qualifies an application to the Augmentative and Alternative communication (AAC) hub.

"I like using my wiki to talk about my family, food I like, swimming at school and my AAC chat group with my friend Abdi".

> - Bridget, Charlton Park Academy Student



If you have any questions, concerns or would like further information, please contact your child/young persons CENMAC advisory team member.



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