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Focus 71

Is it a case of the harder we try, the better we see? Read the article by Cardiff University researcher Debbie Wiggins in the June issue of our quarterly newsletter to find out.

Also in Focus, more from Plymouth University's "Social Impact" study, in particular, the null point, head shaking and night vision. Plus the latest on research at London's Institute of Child Health. Focus is sent free to all NN members and is available in print, audio and pdf formats.

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Nystagmus training and articles

To find out about future nystagmus training events and talks, click the following link: www.johnsanderson.clara.net/js12V/home.html/. You can also read articles about driving – or not – with nystagmus, as well as at least one Northwick story.

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Cycling Proficiency

Many children are encouraged to take the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents "Cycling Proficiency" test while at Primary school. Some schools are unsure about how the test should apply to children who have nystagmus. If your child is participating in this scheme, have a look at the RoSPA guidelines at http://www.rospa.com/roadsafety/info/cyclist_schemes.pdf where special needs is mentioned on p.4. Basically it says that every effort should be made by the examiners to include all groups

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Online VI

Screen reader friendly games, webhosting services for the blind, blind podcasting, VIP radio, it's all on <http://www.whitestick.co.uk/>. This varied website has more too and not just VI stuff. You can even find Scottish tunes, perhaps a sign of the website owner's origins?

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Christmas is coming (but not just yet)

Two new Christmas card designs will be available from our Shop this year. Don't forget to watch out for them nearer the time.

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Contributions

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