



## Information for parents and carers

### SEN Jargon Buster

Annual review	A review of a pupil's EHC plan carried out by the LA at least every 12 months
Areas of need	Four broad categories used to describe a pupil's SEND. They are: communication and interaction, cognition and learning, SEMH (see below), sensory and/or physical needs
ASD	Autistic spectrum disorder
Disagreement resolution	A service for resolving disagreements about provision between parents or young people and other bodies, commissioned by the LA. Available to all children and young people with SEND, not just those with EHC plans
EHC needs assessment	Initial assessment, carried out by the LA, for deciding whether a child or young person needs an EHC plan. Can be requested by parents, young people or schools
EHC plan	Education health and care plan. A statutory document drawn up by the LA, setting out the education, health and social care support to be provided to a child or young person with SEN or a disability. Replacing statements and learning difficulty assessments by April 2018
ENF	Exceptional needs funding available from the LA for pupils with high needs, i.e. those whose educational provision costs more than £10,000 per year
Graduated approach	A four-part cycle for assessing, planning, delivering and reviewing (APDR) provision for pupils with SEND
LA	Local authority
LINC	Learning INclusion Centre. Provision within the school, for out of lesson interventions.
Local offer	Sets out information about provision that the LA expects to be available in its area for children and young people with SEND. Published by the LA
Mediation	A form of disagreement resolution for parents and young people considering appealing decisions about EHC needs assessments and plans at the tribunal
MLD	Moderate learning difficulties
Outcome	Describes the difference that will be made to an individual as a result of special educational and other provision. Must be specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time-bound (SMART)
PMLD	Profound and multiple learning difficulties
Pupil passport	See school-based plans
Pupil profile	See school-based plans



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SALT	Speech and language therapy, sometimes speech and language therapist
School offer	Some schools refer to their SEN information report as a 'school offer'.
School-based plan	A non-statutory document setting out school-based support and interventions for a pupil with SEN. Examples of school-based plans include Care Support Plans (CSPs), Inclusion Plans and Provision Plans.
SEMH	Social, emotional and mental health difficulties
SEND	Special educational needs and/or disability. A pupil has SEN if he or she needs special educational provision due to a learning difficulty or disability (see special educational provision)
SEN information report	A document published on the school website, setting out the school's provision for pupils with SEN
SEN policy	Sets out the vision, values and aims of the school's SEND arrangements.
SEN support	An overall term that refers to pupils needing special educational provision who do not have EHC plans. Replaces the previous categories of School Action (SA) and School Action Plus (SA+)
SENDCO	Special educational needs and/ or disability co-ordinator. The person in a school responsible for co-ordinating provision for pupils with SEND
SEND	Special educational needs and disability
SEND Code of Practice	Statutory guidance setting out the duties and responsibilities of organisations, including schools, in relation to children and young people with SEND
SLCN	Speech and language communication needs
SLD	Severe learning difficulties. Can also refer to speech and language difficulties
Special educational provision	Provision to help pupils with SEN or disabilities access the curriculum that is different from or additional to the provision normally available to pupils of the same age
Specialist Provision	A school that is specifically organised to make special educational provision for pupils with SEND
SpLD	Specific learning difficulties. SpLD affect one or more particular aspects of learning. Examples include dyslexia, dyscalculia and dyspraxia
Transition planning	Preparation for moves between phases of education or for adult life
Tribunal	An independent body that determines appeals by parents or young people against LA decisions on EHC needs assessments and EHC plans, as well as claims of disability discrimination