

Special Education Needs and General Education Abbreviations

Abbreviation:	Meaning:
ADD/ADHD	Attention Deficit Disorder / Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
ASD	Autistic Spectrum Disorder
Assessment	A detailed examination of a child's special educational needs
Baseline Assessment	A standardised teacher assessment designed to establish the attainment level of children at a significant point
Basic Skills	Reading, Writing and Maths
Beacon School	A school that has been identified as amongst the best performing in country and represent examples of good practice
BSS	Behaviour Support Service
B4L	Behaviour For Learning
CAF	Classroom Assistant
CATs	Cognitive Abilities tests
CoP	Code of Practice
CI	Communication and Interaction
CL	Cognition and Learning
CP	Child Protection
CPR	Child Protection Register
DoB	Date of Birth
EAL	English as an Additional Language
EBD	Emotional and Behavioural Difficulties
EHC	Education Health Care Plan
ESBD	Emotional, Social and Behavioural Difficulties
EOTAS	Education Other Than at School
EP	Education Psychologist
ESW	Education Social Worker
EWO	Education Welfare Officer
E2	Entry to Employment
FE	Further Education
FSM	Free School Meals
G&T	Gifted & Talented
GMS	Grant Maintained School
HE	Higher Education
HI	Hearing Impaired
IPS	Independent Parental Supporter
IEP	Individual Education Plan
K	Replacement for school action and school action plus

Abbreviation:	Meaning:
LA	Local Authority
LD	Learning Difficulties
LSA	Learning Support Assistant
LSS	Learning Support Service
MDT	Multi-Disciplinary Team
MLD	Moderate Learning Difficulties
NC	National Curriculum
NFER	National Foundation for Educational Research
NQT	Newly Qualified Teacher
NTA	Non-Teaching Assistant
ODD	Oppositional Defiant Disorder
OT	Occupational Therapy
PE	Physical Education
PEP	Personal Education Plan
PTA	Parent Teacher Association
PPO	Parent Partnership Officer
PRU	Pupil Referral Unit
PSP	Pastoral Support Programme
RAPT	Raising Achievement & Performance Team
RoA	Records of Achievement
SAL/SLT	Speech and Language Therapy
SAT's	Standard Assessment Tests
SA	School Action (archived term)
SA+	School Action Plus (archived term)
SEND	Special Educational Needs and Disability
SENCo	Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator
SLCN	Speech, Language and Communication Needs
SLD	Severe Learning Difficulties
SMO	School Medical Officer
SpLD	Specific Learning Difficulties
SPM	Sensory, Physical, Medical
STAPS	Specialist Teacher and Applied Psychology Service
SWRT	Single word reading test
TA	Teaching Assistant
VI	Visually Impaired
YARC	York Assessment of Reading for Comprehension