

Familiar language/acronyms you may hear at Old Park School

ALD – Aided Language Display

This is a symbol display where all relevant symbolised vocabulary for a specific activity is displayed on a single page.

ABSP – Agreed Behaviour Support Plan

Some of our pupils they may require additional support to self-regulate or manage behaviours that challenge. Where this is needed we introduce an Agreed Behaviour Support Plan. An ABSP is written from the voice of the young person and documents how they may present throughout the different stages of a crises. It also documents the role of the supporting adults and what adaptations may need to be made to the environment.

CAMHS – Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service

CIN - Child in Need

CYPA – Child and Young Person Assessment This would be carried out by Social Care.

EfL – Evidence for Learning

Evidence for Learning is used to capture and record evidence of your child's learning and progress. This platform allows us to use adult written observations, photos and short video clips to demonstrate how your child has engaged with a particular task or curriculum area. We are also using EfL to record evidence towards individual EHCP targets or outcomes.

EHCP – Education, Health Care Plan.

All children and young people who attend Old Park School have an EHCP. Families are invited to a yearly annual review of the plan.

EH – Early Help

Early Help is providing support early and as soon as possible in order to address where problems are emerging for children, young people and their families. Early Help support can be provided by a range of professionals.

EP – Educational Psychologist

Old Park School purchases support from the Dudley Educational Psychology service. Referrals are made by School where additional support or advice are needed.

FSM – Free School Meals

Please visit https://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/benefits/free-school-meals/ to see if you maybe entitled to Free School Meals. We encourage all of our families who are eligible to apply, as this also allows School to claim additional Pupil Premium funding.

HMP/HA - Health Management Plan/Health Assessment

All pupils, including those that have long term complex health needs have a health assessment with care plans if required. This is completed by a member of the School Health Team, in conjunction with the parents/carers and other health professionals and agencies involved in the pupil's care. These are reviewed and updated at least annually.

HI – Hearing Impaired

HLTA – Higher Level Teaching Assistant

These members of staff will cover lessons during a teacher's preparation release time or during absence.

HCA – Health Care Assistant

LAC - Looked After Child

MARF - Multi Agency Referral Form.

This is submitted to social care if there are safeguarding concerns or where it is identified that a child, young person or their family require additional support.

MSI – Multisensory Impairment

OT – Occupational Therapist

Occupational therapists work in school to help children and young people develop functional skills for everyday life in the areas of self-care, life skills, school work and play. They also provide advice and guidance around sensory processing regulation.

PPP - Personal Provision Plan

This is a school-based document which details the termly small step targets that have been set for your child, based on their longer term EHCP outcomes.

PEP – Personal Education Plan

All Children in Care (CiC) must have a care plan, of which the PEP is an integral part. The PEP (pre-school, to age 18) should be initiated as part of the care plan. It is an evolving record of what needs to happen for looked-after children to enable them to make at least expected progress and fulfil their potential. This document is in an electronic form referred to as the e-Pep.

SLT/SMT – Senior Leadership team/Senior Management Team

SaLT – Speech and Language Therapist

SNSW – Special Needs Support Worker

SW – Social worker

TA – Teaching Assistant

TAF - Team Around the Child

These are meetings that take place every 6 weeks if a family is engaging in Early Help.

VI - Visually Impaired

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