

## **Glossary of Terms for Parents**

On this page you will find a glossary of the terms used in education. There are a great deal of complex acronyms and phrases that need explaining so that you can find your way around the meaning of some of data and self-evaluation documents.

Acronym/Phrase	Meaning	Acronym/Phrase	Meaning
Attainment	This is the standard or level that a child reaches.	Ofsted	The body that assesses the quality and standards in schools.
Progress	This is how much progress a child has made on their journey – from one level to another.	DfE	The Department for Education.
Emerging	This means a child has started working on the objectives.	CPD	Continuing Professional Development – the courses that staff go on to improve teaching.
Developing	This means a child understands most of that year's objectives.	KS1	Year 1 and Year 2.
Secure	This means a child has understood all of the expected objectives for that Year Group.	KS2	Year 3 to Year 6.
Secure +	This means a child is working at greater depth in that Year Group.	Pupil Premium	The funding that the DfE give to the school to support children in school.
SMSC	Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Education. This is what we provide for children through their curriculum experiences.	SA SA+ SEN	Special Educational Needs (SEN) School Action – children who are on the SEN register at the first stage of in school support. SA+ is the next stage and includes external support as well.
EYFS	Early Years and Foundation Stage – Nursery and Reception.	VA	Value added – this is another progress measure that the Government use. The national average of mean is 100, so anything above that is above national.
Phonics Screening Test	A test for children on their phonic ability at the end of Year 1.	GLD	Good level of development – if a child achieves well across all of the learning areas in EYFS, then they will have a GLD.
SATs	Test for children at Year 6 and teachers assessment		

for children at Year 2.