

**Jargon buster**  
**Glossary of common education and related terminology.**

AfL	Assessment for Learning. The ongoing process of assessing children's progress so that the level of challenge and support can be adjusted to match their ability.
BfL	Behaviour for Learning. Behaviour which reflects a strong desire to concentrate, listen, participate, try one's best, work hard and learn. It includes the development of skills on initiative, independence, persistence and resilience.
EAL	English as an Additional Language Refers to children whose first language(s) is/are not English and who may not yet be speaking English fluently or even at all.
EYFS	Early Years Foundation Stage / A framework for care and education of children from birth to five years of age.
EBD	Emotional and Behavioural Difficulties.
EWO	Education Welfare Officer. Person employed by the Local Authority to help parents and the LA meet their statutory obligations in relation to school attendance.
FSM	Free School Meals.
G & T	Gifted and Talented.
HLTA	Higher Level Teaching Assistant.
IT/ ICT	Information Technology / Information and Communication Technology.
INSET	In-Service Education and Training. Training for teachers which takes place during the school year.
ITT	Initial Teacher Training.
KS1	Key Stage 1 covers Year 1 and Year 2: ie.5-7 years old.
KS2	Key Stage 2 covers Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6: ie.7-11 years old.
LA	Local Authority.
MFL	Modern Foreign Languages.
MLD	Moderate Learning Difficulties.
NN	Nursery Nurse.
NQT	Newly Qualified Teacher.
PE	Physical Education.
PTFA	Parents Teacher and Friends Association
PGCE	Post Graduate Certificate in Education
PPA	Planning, Preparation and Assessment Time for teachers
PSHE	Personal, Social, Health and Emotional Education.
QTS	Qualified Teacher Status.
RE	Religious Education.
SATs	Standard Attainment Tests/Tasks. National Curriculum Tests and Tasks which take place at the end of Key Stage 1 and at the end of Key Stage 2.
SBM	School Business Manager
SEN	Special Educational Needs. Provision Support for pupils with learning difficulties.
SENDSCO	Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator.
SLT	Senior Leadership Team.
TA	Teaching Assistant.