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Teaching and Learning	
<p>1. What additional support can be provided in the classroom?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equipment which supports learning. • Visual timetables • Class prompts available for all children. • Task plans • Literacy and Maths working walls. • Differentiated challenges and resources. • Fine and gross motor skills including handwriting • Teaching Assistant support in all the classes. • All abilities have adult support when needed. • Kagan teaching approaches are used • Guided groups in both Literacy and Maths. • Dyslexia friendly resources • Modelled/guided/ partner practice methods • Phonics groups to aid learning
<p>2. What provision do you offer to facilitate access to the curriculum and to develop independent learning? (This may include support from external agencies and equipment/facilities)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WELLCOMM trained teaching assistants for speech and language support. • Individual Speech and language delivered by trained staff. • Speech and Language Therapist on school site every two weeks • Advice from Educational Psychologist, Speech and language therapists, Physiotherapists, School and Disability Nurses. • Advice from the Inclusion Services. • Chrome books/ Kindles • Pencil grip • Coloured reading rulers for children who need them. • Dyslexia intervention • Individual Speech and Language programmes. • Teaching assistant trained in nurture • Precision teaching training • Pre and post teach to support progress in Maths and English • Behaviour support training for staff (team teach)
<p>3. Staff specialisms/expertise around SEN or disability</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some teaching assistants are trained in speech narrative, speech vocabulary,

	<p>attention autism, sensory circuits, dyslexia and 1-1 phonics interventions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DHT/SENDCo has completed the National Award for Special Educational Needs Coordination, has completed NPQSL and is completing NPQH, CAMHS training and experience implementing nurture provision... • Staff trained in working with dyslexic and autistic children. • Ireach used in school to support SEMH needs • DHT/SENDCo trained in dealing with difficult behaviours • All staff trained in RWI phonics • TAs to support children with EHCP • Learning mentor has expertise in drawing and talking intervention for SEMH
<p>4. What ongoing support and development is in place for staff regards supporting children and young people with SEN?</p>	<p>Continuing Professional Development training.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autism • ADHD • Behaviour (Team Teach) • Dyslexia • Kagan Structures. • Engagement For All. • Supporting EAL pupils in and out of the classroom. Teaching Assistants. • A bank of resources for children with SEN including Speech and language programmes, literacy, numeracy, fine and gross motor skills • Chrome books • Kindles • Attachment in the classroom training. • Dyslexia friendly schools training • Speech and Language training • Nurture training • Social Stories • IEP training • Development of one page profiles • IPC
<p>5. What arrangements are made for reasonable adjustments in the curriculum and support to the pupil during exams?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access arrangements – which includes Readers, Scribes, extra time, small classroom for anxious students/behaviour students • Coloured overlays for pupils with dyslexic tendencies • Differentiated challenges throughout the curriculum.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachers informed of all pupils' progress, stage and expected progress. • Teachers informed of all pupils having special needs • Training for Readers and Scribes before exams. • Ireach for emotional support • Nurture sessions available for children with emotional difficulties. • Quality first teaching • Children are grouped for phonics • Daily interventions across the curriculum • Drawing and talking
6. How do you share educational progress and outcomes with parents?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents Evenings twice a year with class teacher • Termly SEND meetings between parents and SENDCo • Coffee mornings for SEND parents • School reports – once yearly • Meetings both formally and informally with parents • Review of EHCP's • Review of IEPs – which are sent home at least every term. • Reviews with other professionals • Mentoring meetings with children which are shared with parents
7. What external teaching and learning do you offer?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reece Sports. • Art sessions • Music sessions • Drama • Children's Shakespeare Festival. • Access to Interschool competitions/tournaments. • Topic loan boxes Salford Museum. • Transition visits to secondary school. • Maths mastery for GD pupils in YR6 • Schools Library Service • After school clubs • Cookery workshops • Anxiety workshops
8. What arrangements are in place to ensure that support is maintained in "off site provision"?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specialist trained TAs for forest schools

<p>9. What work experience opportunities do you offer?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students mainly from MMU often come including speech and language students and PGCE students. • Tots to teens • Manchester Grammar School boys
<p>Annual Reviews</p>	
<p>1. What arrangements are in place for review meetings for children with Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plans?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invites to all parties involved • Review meeting held at a convenient location • Review meeting held at a convenient time for parents who work/have commitments during the day. • Transport provided if needed • Translator provided if needed • Consultation with staff prior to the meeting. • Safe space for younger siblings to play.
<p>2. What arrangements are in place for children with other SEN support needs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SENDCo support • Small group sizes for phonics. • Catch up reading, writing and maths interventions. • IReach support • Educational Psychologist • Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy referral if needed. • Referral to the School Nurse. • Referral to CAMHS • Referral to ACE • Referral to multi developmental pathway • Drawing and Talking support
<p>Keeping Children Safe</p>	
<p>1. What handover arrangements will be made at the start and end of the school day? Do you have parking areas for pick up and drop offs?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drop off facilities outside school in the lay-by. • One bay in the school car park for the disabled. • Parents bring their children to the classroom door in the playground. • The children are picked up at the end of the day outside the classroom door leading into the main playground. • Children's names are called when the teacher sees the child's parent or carer.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pupils with Special Educational Needs have staff entrance and exit accessibility.
2. What support is offered during breaks and lunchtimes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outside: toys to play with in the yard. • The adventure playground • Football • Pupils who are upset/lonely or worried can access the staff. • Helping hands scheme • Ethos groups
3. How do you ensure my son/daughter stays safe outside the classroom? (e.g. during PE lessons and school trips)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During breaks there are three members of staff plus a trained first aider on duty in the playground. • At dinnertime there are midday assistants and teaching assistants on duty throughout the whole time. • The teaching staff go out to greet and collect their class from the playground at the end of break and dinnertime. • Risks assessments are undertaken for all school trips and individual risk assessments are taken out for pupils in conjunction with the parent, school nurse or disability nurse. • Ratios are maintained • Behaviour policy for all children which is individualised for those that need it
4. What are the school arrangements for undertaking risk assessments?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All in line with the Salford Local Authority.
5. Where can parents find details of policies on bullying?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policies can be found on the school website. • If parents want a paper copy of this it is available at the school office.
Health (including Emotional Health and Wellbeing)	
1. What is the school's policy on administering medication?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School has a policy on medication administration. • A copy can be found on the school website. <p>If parents want a paper copy of this it is available at the school office</p>
2. How do you work with the family to draw up a care plan and ensure that all relevant staff are aware of the plan?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A meeting is held with the parent/carer and any other professional involved with the child. • A care plan is then shared with all the staff in a staff meeting and then this is monitored by the SENDCO/ teaching staff every half term or sooner if needed. • A copy of the care plan is available on the staff medical notice board. • Equally parents can come in and meet with the SENDCo if they feel the plan

	needs to be amended.
3. What would the school do in the case of a medical emergency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call 999 • Contact a qualified first aider • Contact parent/carer, collect them or pay for a taxi if required • In absence of parent/carer a first aider would accompany the pupil to the hospital • If language is an issue the member of staff would stay at the hospital and explain to the medical staff what has happened, if possible a translator would be brought in.
4. How do you ensure that staff are trained/qualified to deal with a child's particular needs?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All staff are trained every 18 months on Safeguarding/Child protection • Relevant staff undertake external courses provided by the LA and private companies • Asthma training is given in school to all staff and some pupils in school • Relevant staff are trained in the administration of Epipens. • Relevant staff all trained on CAF completion and other relevant documents. • Training by outside professionals for ASD , ADHD, EAL etc • Teacher responsible for the health and safety audits, including checking of medications and first aid boxes •
5. Which health or therapy services can children access on school premises?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speech and language therapist, School nurse Audiology and Eye tests for EYFS and year 1, height and weight checks for Y1 and Y6. • Early help access
Communication with Parents	
1. How do you ensure that parents know "who's who" and who they can contact if they have concerns about their child/young person?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents are informed of their child's class teacher and the teaching assistant working in their child's class at the end of the previous academic year. • DSL and DDSL and First aiders are displayed around school • In the foyer there are photographs of each member of staff. • Information is also distributed at Parent's Evenings. • The teacher will direct the parents to the SENDCO if they have any concerns about their child. • If parents don't attend parent's evening the teacher will ask them to make an appointment to speak about any concerns they might have. • The SENDCO can be contacted at anytime during the school day by parents

	who have concerns via the school office
2. Do parents have to make an appointment to meet with staff or do you have an Open Door policy?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is an open door policy to speak to any member of staff; however an appointment will be made if they request to speak to a teacher. • Parents' concerns are dealt with as swiftly as possible, usually on the day of contact.
3. How do you keep parents updated with their child/young person's progress? 4. Do you offer Open Days?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents Evenings two times per year. • School reports. • Progress checks. • Celebration certificates. • Parents can make an appointment to tour the school. • SEND review meetings held with parents termly • Coffee mornings are held
5. How can parents give feedback to the school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Via the website or questionnaires. • Meetings held in school. • Arrange to see staff at a mutually convenient time.
Working Together	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What opportunities do you offer for pupils to have their say? e.g. school council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject leadership monitoring takes into account pupil voice • Termly mentoring sessions. 1-1 discussion between teacher and pupil • My stories • Helping hands • Ethos groups
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What opportunities are there for parents to have their say about their son/daughter's education? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent Evenings • SEND review meetings • Coffee mornings • Review meetings • Open door policy. • Arrange meetings with the staff. • Meet and greet by the head teacher everyday at the main gate • Parents views are published on the school website
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What opportunities are there for parents to get involved in the school or become school governors? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff ask for parent volunteers for school trips. • Currently there is parent governor and advertising for another

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteers are welcomed when DBS checked
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How does the Governing Body involve other agencies in meeting the needs of pupils with SEN and supporting their families? (e.g. health, social care, voluntary groups) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governor link to SEN. SEN discussed at Governor meetings
What Help and Support is available for the Family?	
1. Do you offer help with completing forms and paperwork? If yes, who normally provides this help and how would parents access this?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes the school will arrange to meet them to complete all the necessary paperwork. Translators can be arranged if needed. Close links to Early Help .
2. What information, advice and guidance can parents and young people access through the school? Who normally provides this help and how would they access this?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SENDCo and staff can support parents to find additional support Early help assessment support when needed SENDCo and Learning Mentor will support parents with agency referrals.
3. How does the school help parents with travel plans to get their son/daughter to and from school ?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the need arises 2 members of staff will go and collect the children from home.
Transition from Primary School to high School	
Links with local High Schools.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transition days for year 6 are held over the school year at All Hallows, Oasis, Bulie Hill and Trinity high School.
Extra Curricular Activities	
1. Do you offer school holiday and/or before and after school provision? If yes, please give details.	<p>Before School.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast Club. <p>After School.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fun club* Choir Booster Classes Art club Sports Club Cross Country Guitar lessons Cookery <p>There are small charges for some of these clubs.</p>

<p>2. What lunchtime or after school activities do you offer? Do parents have to pay for these and if so, how much?</p>	<p>Lunch Time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Football • Playground games <p>There are no charge for these.</p>
<p>3. How do you make sure clubs, activities and residential trips are inclusive?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk assessments are carried out. • Parents are consulted and are offered a place to accompany their child if needed. • 1:1 support if needed. • Small group support if needed. • When children go out on trips, the quieter, more vulnerable student will be approached personally and persuaded to give it a go. • Experienced, trained T.A.s accompany children on trips out. • Trips are heavily subsidised and no child misses out for financial reasons.
<p>4. How do you help children and young people to make friends?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nurture sessions include friendship groups. • Circletime. • Interventions Drawing and Talking, Social interaction groups, Freindship groups

Weblinks to Key Policies

E.g Behaviour policy, Antibullying policy, SEN policy

<http://www.stpaulscephprimaryschool.co.uk/information/policies-and-documents/>

On the following web page you'll find the support that is available locally for children and young people with special educational needs or disabilities. <http://www.salford.gov.uk/localoffer>

Glossary

	Annual Review	All statements and Education, Health and Care Plans must be reviewed annually. The Annual Review ensures that that once a year the parents, the pupil, the Local Authority, the school and all professionals involved consider the progress the pupil has made over the last 12 months, and whether amendments need to be made to the statement or Education, Health and Care Plan.
ADHD/ ADD	Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder/Attention Deficit Disorder	<p>ADHD/ADD is a disorder that appears in early childhood. ADHD/ADD makes it difficult for students to hold back their spontaneous responses (responses can involve everything from movement to speech to attentiveness). Students with ADD are not diagnosed as having excessive hyperactive behaviour but display all other symptoms.</p> <p>Children with ADD/ADHD may be: Inattentive, hyperactive, and impulsive (the most common form)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inattentive, but not hyperactive or impulsive. • Hyperactive and impulsive, but able to pay attention.
	Assessment	<p>This involves building a picture of your child's abilities, difficulties, behaviour, his/her special educational needs and the support required to meet those needs. Assessment is an important part of deciding whether your child's progress rate is as good as is expected. Teachers carry out routine assessments regularly.</p> <p>More specialised assessments may be required if progress is not at an expected rate. This may be carried out by the SENDCO, an Educational Psychologist or an Advisory Teacher.</p> <p>A statutory assessment is a formal procedure which involves the collection of information from as many people as possible who have detailed knowledge about your child. This may lead to the issue of a statement of special educational needs.</p>
	Asperger Syndrome	An autistic spectrum disorder characterised by difficulties with social interaction, social communication and inflexible thought patterns in an otherwise intelligent and able child.
ASD	Autistic Spectrum Disorder	<p>Autistic spectrum disorders are characterised by difficulties interacting and communicating.</p> <p>The characteristics of autism can be described as the 'triad of impairment':</p> <p>Socialisation - poor social skills; Communication - difficulties with speech language and communication; Imagination - rigid thought and resistance to change.</p> <p>The commonly used terms 'autism' and 'asperger syndrome' are autistic spectrum disorders.</p>

C up L	Catch up Literacy	Pupils with a reading age below 9 years 6 months attend extra literacy sessions to boost their reading scores and improve their access to the curriculum and their ability to be successful in GCSE exams.
	Clinical Psychologist	Clinical Psychologists help parents and children who are experiencing emotional and/or behavioural difficulties in their home environment.
	Code of Practice	The SEN Code of Practice (often referred to as 'The Code') gives practical guidance on how to identify, assess and support children with special educational needs. All early education settings, state schools and Local Education Authorities must take account of this Code when they are dealing with children who have special educational needs.
	Differentiation	Differentiation is the adjustment of the teaching methods and/or resources according to the learning needs of the pupils. It can be aimed at the groups within the class or individuals. See also personalised learning.
	Differentiated Curriculum	A curriculum that is specially adapted to meet the special educational needs of individual children.
	Dyscalculia	Children with dyscalculia have difficulty in acquiring mathematical skills. Children may have difficulty understanding simple number concepts, lack an intuitive grasp of numbers and have problems learning number facts and procedures. Dyscalculia is a type of Specific Learning Difficulty (SpLD). See under SpLD below.
	Dysgraphia	Dysgraphia makes the act of writing difficult. It can lead to problems with spelling, poor handwriting and putting thoughts on paper. People with dysgraphia can have trouble organising letters, numbers and words on a line or page. This can result partly from trouble processing what the eye sees (visual-spatial difficulties) or trouble processing and making sense of what the ear hears (language processing difficulties).
	Dyslexia	Children with dyslexia have a marked and persistent difficulty in learning to read, write and spell, despite making good progress in other areas. Areas of difficulty include: working memory, organisation, reading comprehension, handwriting, punctuation, concentration, sequencing words and numbers. Students with dyslexia may also mispronounce common words or reverse letters and sounds in words. Dyslexia is a type of Specific Learning Difficulty (SpLD). See under SpLD below
	Dyspraxia	A disorder that affects the co-ordination of movement. This can affect co-ordination of the speech organs (oral dyspraxia) or other actions e.g. eating, dressing or writing. Dyspraxia is a type of Specific Learning Difficulty (SpLD). See under SpLD below.
EHCP	Education, Health and Care Plan	From 1 st September 2014, Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs) will be issued instead of statements of SEN. Existing statements will be converted to EHCPs over the next three years. An EHCP has the same statutory protection as a statement but it can be issued at and maintained to any point from birth to the age of 25. The criteria and procedure for securing an EHCP for your child is detailed as part of Salford's Local Offer.
EP	Educational Psychologist	Most, but not all, Educational Psychologists are employed by local authorities (LAs). Their main work is with schools and pre-school settings to provide advice, support and staff training for children with SEN. They may perform assessments of children with SEN and produce a report as part of the statutory assessment.

	Exam Special Arrangements	Special arrangements can be made for pupils who are disadvantaged during exams because of certain difficulties such as dyslexic tendencies. Readers, scribes and or extra time can be arranged, for pupils who meet the exam board criteria, in order that the disadvantage they have can be redressed.
	Exam Special Concessions	Special concessions can be arranged for pupils who qualify for these e.g. the exam paper can be enlarged or written in Braille for pupils with visual difficulties or a scribe can be used if a pupil breaks an arm before the exam etc.
	Governors	Each school has a board of Governors that is responsible to parents, funders and the community for making sure the school provides a good quality education. In Academy schools the governors are often called 'directors'.
HI	Hearing Impairment	Children with a hearing impairment range from those with a mild hearing loss to those who are profoundly deaf. They cover the whole ability range. For educational purposes, children are regarded as having a hearing impairment if they require hearing aids, adaptations to their environment and/or particular teaching strategies in order to access the concepts and language of the curriculum
	Inclusion	Inclusion is the process by which schools and other establishments change their principles, policies, practices and environments to increase the presence, participation and achievement levels of children with special educational needs and/or a disability.
IEP	Individual Education Plan	An IEP sets out the special help that a child will receive at school or early years setting to meet his or her special educational needs (SEN). It is not a legal requirement for your child to have an IEP but it is good practice for parents and the child to be involved in drawing it up and reviewing it if there is one. An IEP should be reviewed regularly and at least twice a year. If there is no IEP the school should have another method of recording how it is meeting your child's SEN
LD	Learning Difficulties	A child has learning difficulties if he or she finds it much harder to learn than most children of the same age.
	Learning Mentors	Learning Mentors work with school pupils and college students to help them address barriers to learning and improve achievement. The work they do depends on the priorities of the school they work in but can include running after-school clubs, anti-bullying programmes or helping young people to revise.
LEA	Local Education Authority	Each council has an LEA. The LEA is responsible for the education of all children living within the council's area and has some responsibility for all state schools in our area. In Salford, the LEA is combined with the children's social services departments and is known as Children's Services. Children's Services have the same responsibilities for educational provision for children with special educational needs as LEAs.
MLD	Moderate Learning Difficulties	Children with moderate learning difficulties have much greater difficulty than their peers in acquiring basic literacy and numeracy skills and in understanding concepts. They may also have associated speech and language delay, low self-esteem, low levels of concentration and under-developed social skills.
	National Curriculum	This sets out a clear, full and statutory entitlement to learning for all children, setting out what should be taught and setting attainment targets for learning. It also determines how performance will be assessed and reported. The national curriculum is taught in a way that meets the needs of individual children, e.g. setting goals that are achievable.

	National Curriculum Inclusion Statement	A detailed statement within the national curriculum, setting out the principles that schools must follow, to make sure that all children have the chance to succeed.
	OFSTED	OFSTED stands for the Office for Standards in Education. OFSTED is the inspectorate for children and learners in England and they oversee the quality of the provision of education and care through inspection and regulation. They inspect childcare providers, schools, colleges, children's services, teacher training and youth work.
PPO	Parent Partnership Officer	Provides impartial advice and information to parents whose children have special educational needs. The service offers neutral and factual support on all aspects of the SEN framework to help parents play an active and informed role in their child's education.
	Personalised Learning	Personalised learning is about tailoring education to meet individual needs, interests and aptitudes to ensure that every pupil achieves and reaches the highest standards possible, no matter what their background or circumstances or level of ability
	Phonics	A system of teaching reading and spelling that stresses basic symbol-sound relationships and how this works in decoding words.
	Phonological Difficulties	A child with phonological difficulties finds it hard to select and use the correct sounds necessary for speech.
PD	Physical Difficulty	<p>There is a wide range of physical disabilities and pupils cover the whole ability range. Some children are able to access the curriculum and learn effectively without additional educational provision. They have a disability but do not have a special educational need. For others, the impact on their education may be severe. In the same way, a medical diagnosis does not necessarily mean that a child has SEN. It depends on the impact the condition has on their educational needs.</p> <p>There are a number of medical conditions associated with physical disability which can impact on mobility. These include cerebral palsy, heart disease, spina bifida and hydrocephalus, muscular dystrophy. Children with physical disabilities may also have sensory impairments, neurological problems or learning difficulties. Some children are mobile but have significant fine motor difficulties which require support.</p>
	Physiotherapists	Physiotherapists see children who have difficulties with movement (e.g.: walking, kicking a ball). The therapist will assess the child's movements and identify what the physical problems are and then devise a treatment plan.
	Pyramid Club	. This is an after school club for very quiet, Year 3 pupils who need support to grow in confidence, make friends and build trusting relationships with nurturing staff who can support them in school and help them to become more independent.
	Responsible Person	The person (either the headteacher/deputy headteacher, chair of the governing body or SEN Governor), who has responsibility for making sure that staff know about a child's special educational needs.
SENDCO	Special Educational Needs Co-Ordinator	A Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator or SENDCO is a teacher who has the responsibility for overseeing the day-to-day SEN provision within his or her school. The SENDCO and your child's teacher/s should work together to plan how his/her needs should be met.

SEN	Special Educational Needs	The special help given to children with special educational needs which is additional to or different from the provision generally made for other children of the same age.
	Special Educational Provision	The special help given to children with special educational needs which is additional to or different from the provision generally made for other children of the same age.
SpLD	Specific Learning Difficulties	See Dyslexia, Dyscalculia and Dyspraxia above.
SEN	Special Educational Needs	Children with special educational needs have significantly greater difficulty in learning than most children of the same age or have a disability. These children may need extra or different help from that given to other children of the same age. Approximately one fifth of all children may have an SEN at some point in their school career.
	Special Educational Needs (SEN) Code of Practice	See 'Code of Practice' above.
	Statement of Special Educational Needs	The Statement of Special Educational Needs, or 'Statement' describes the special educational needs of a child and the help that she or he will get to meet those needs. It is a legal document that is produced at the end of a process known as 'statutory assessment'. Only those children with the most severe, complex and persistent SEN will need a Statement. From September 1 st 2104, no new statements will be written. Instead a new document – an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) with the same legal protection as a Statement will be produced.
	Statutory Assessment	This is the legal process for producing an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP). Parents, a young person over the age of 16 who is deemed capable and a variety of professionals can request a statutory assessment. Parents and/or the young person themselves if they are deemed capable, must give their permission for this to go ahead. Not all Statutory Assessments result in the issuing of an Education, Health and Care Plan. From September 2014, Statutory Assessment can be carried out at any time between a child's birth and the age of 25, although there will be very few young people undergoing the process for the first time beyond the age of 16.
TAs	Teaching Assistants	Almost all schools now employ teaching assistants to support whole classes, small groups or individual pupils. Teaching assistants may be called other things, such as learning support assistant (LSA) or special support assistant (SSA) particularly if they support a child with special needs.
	Transition	Transition is when a child moves from one setting to another, such as from home to a childminder, to nursery, to primary school, to secondary school, or from education into adult life. Planning for transition is important if your child has a significant level of need where advance preparations may need to be made in the new setting to ensure it is successful.
VI	Visual Impairment	Vision loss to such a degree that additional support is required. Refers to people with irretrievable sight loss and does not include those whose sight problems can be corrected by spectacles or contact lenses, though it does include those whose sight might be improved by medical intervention. This simple definition covers a wide spectrum of different impairments.