



What is SEND?

The Special Educational Needs and Disability Code of Practice (0-25 years) 2014 states that:

“A child or young person has SEN if they have a learning difficulty or disability which calls for special educational provision to be made for him or her”

A child of compulsory school age has a learning difficulty or disability if he or she:

Has a significantly greater difficulty in learning than the majority of others of the same age.

Has a disability which prevents or hinders him or her from making use of educational facilities of a kind generally provided for others of the same age in mainstream schools or post 16 institutions.

A child under compulsory school age has SEN if he or she is likely to fall within the definition above when they reach compulsory schools age or would do so if special educational provision was not made for them.

More details about the reforms and the SEN Code of Practice can be found on the Department for Education’s website: www.education.gov.uk/schools/pupilsupport/sen