

What is a Special Educational Need or 'SEN'?

A child or young person has a Special Educational Need (or SEN) if they need further adjustments or support on top of what is generally given to all children of the same age.

SEN is not necessarily about a child's academic progress. Some children may have other barriers to learning. You do not need a medical diagnosis.

Why is it important to identify SEN and provide support?

The earlier that additional needs are identified means that support can be put in place for a child or young person.

Support is targeted to their needs and helps them to make their best possible progress.



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