COMMON ABBREVIATIONS:

ACE: Advisory Centre for Education

ADD: Attention Deficit Disorder (a form of ADHD)

ADHD: Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

AHDC: Aiming High for Disabled Children

AR: Annual Review

ARP: Additionally Resourced Provision

ASC: Autism Spectrum Condition (same as ASD)

ASD: Autistic Spectrum Disorder (same as ASC)

BCCN: Bucks Community Childminding Network

BESD: Behavioural, Emotional and Social Difficulties

BS: Behaviour Support

CAMHS: Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services

CCG: Clinical Commissioning Group

CD: Conduct Disorder (one of the co-morbidities that can accompany ADHD)

CO-MORBID: Co-morbidity (presence of one or more additional conditions occurring with the primary one)

DCSF: Department for Children, Schools and Families (formerly known as DfES)

DLA: Disability Living Allowance

EBD: Emotional and Behavioural Difficulties

EP / Ed Psych: Educational Psychologist

EHC needs assessment: assessment of a child or young person's education, health and care needs

EHCP (EHC plan): legal document which describes a child or young person's special educational needs, the support they need, and the outcomes they would like to achieve (replaced Statement of special educational needs)

EYFS: Early Years Foundation Stage

FACT: Families and Carers Together

FE: Further Education

GP: General Practitioner

ICE: In Case of Emergency

IEP: Individual Education Plan

IPSEA: Independent Provider of Special Education Advice

LA: Local Authority

LDA: Learning Difficulty Assessment

LD: Learning Difficulty

LO: Local Offer

LSA: Learning Support Assistant

MLD: Moderate Learning Difficulties

NAS: The National Autistic Society

NICE: The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence

NKS: Radar National Key Scheme

Non-stimulants: Certain types of ADHD medication including Strattera

OCD: Obsessive Compulsive Disorder

ODD: Oppositional Defiant Disorder

OFSTED: Office for Standards in Education

OT: Occupational Therapy / Therapist

PALS: Patient Advice and Liaison Service

PB: Personal Budget

PDA: Pathological Demand Avoidance (a profile that describes those whose main characteristic is to avoid everyday demands and expectations to an extreme extent)

PIP: Personal Independence Payment

PPS: Parent Partnership Service

PRU: Pupil Referral Unit

PSP: Pastoral Support Plan

Psycho-stimulants: Stimulant medication for ADHD including Ritalin, Dexedrine and Adderall

RDA: Riding for the Disabled Association

SALT: Speech and Language Therapy / Therapist

SEND: Special Educational Needs and Disability

SENDCo: Special Educational Needs and Disability Co-ordinator

SENDIASS: Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information Advice and Support Service

SENDIST: Special Educational Needs and Disability Tribunal

SLD: Severe Learning Difficulties or Specific Learning Disorder

SPA: Single Point of Access

UC: Universal Credit

WAV: Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle