## Jargon Buster for school governors



**AP** - Assessment Points - Measures taken at set points during the academic year to mark students performance

**Associate members** - Individuals appointed by the governing body of a maintained school to sit on committees. They are not part of the governing body but are allowed to attend meetings and can be given voting powers for the committee(s) they sit on.

**AT** - Academy Trust - The DfE devolves authority to the academy trust through its own legislation and the academy trust's funding agreement.

**Attainment 8** - A headline measure of school performance at GCSE. Measures the average achievement of pupils across eight subjects, including English and maths.

**CAF** - Common Application Form - a form used for in year admissions

**CIC** - Child in Care

**CIN** - Child In Need - this would be a child open to Social Care

**CP** - Child Protection - this would be a child open to Social Care

DfE - Department for Education

**EAL** - English as an additional language

**EBacc** - English Baccalaureate - The EBacc is a set of subjects at GCSE that keeps young people's options open for further study and future careers. The subjects are English language and literature, maths, the sciences, geography or history and a language.

**EBSA** - Emotionally Based School Avoidance - this term is used in place of the previously used school refuser.

**EHC plans** - Education, health and care plans - the document which replaces statements of SEN and learning difficulties assessments for children and young people with special educational needs.

**Federation** - Two or more maintained schools governed by one governing body.

**FSM** - Free School Meals - pupils who are eligible for free school meals, a means tested benefit

**GHub** - Governor Hub - an online resources where everything governors need can be found in one place, links to training and also local governor documents. It is a paid for service that governing boards can chose to sign up to, with log ins for each governor

**HLTA** - Higher level teaching assistant

Hoy - Head of Year

**KS1** - Key Stage 1 - Year 1 and 2 of primary school (age 5-7)

**KS2** - Key Stage 2 - Year 3 - 6 (age 7-11)

**KS3** - Key Stage 3 - Year 7 - 9 (age 11-14)

**KS4** - Key Stage 4 - Year 10 - 11 (age 14-16)

**KS5** - Key Stage 5 - 2 years of education post 16, Year 11 - 12 or sixth form (age 16-18)

LA - Local Authority

**LGB** - Local Governing Body - the governors of an individual school within a Multi Academy Trust

**Maintained School** - A school funded by the Local Education Authority

**MAT** - Multi Academy Trust - An academy trust with more than one school, a family of schools

## **TH**IS GREAT SCHOOLS

NGA - National Governance Association - National body with lots of useful resources for governors

Ofsted - Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills. This is the government body that is responsible for inspecting schools

**Outcomes** - The results, what we want to achieve and the results we get these might be the GCSE results a school achieves.

**Outputs** - the activity that supports the outcomes - this could be the number of children who sat the exams.

**PAN** - Published Admission Number - The PAN is the maximum number of pupils that the admission authority will admit to each year group.

**PP** - Pupil Premium - This is funding from the government given to schools to improve educational outcomes for disadvantaged pupils in England

Prevent Duty - The government requirement for all education providers 'to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism'. This includes safeguarding children, young people and adult learners from extremist ideologies and radicalisation

**PRU** - Pupil Referral Unit - An alternative to mainstream school, might also be called Alternative Provision

**PSHE Education** - Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education - Most of PSHE education became statutory in September 2020 under the Children and Social Work Act and it includes RSE.



**RSE** - Relationships and Sex Education (formerly SRE) - The aim of RSE is to give young people the information they need to help them develop healthy, nurturing relationships of all kinds, not just intimate relationships. Relationships Education is compulsory for all pupils receiving primary education and Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) compulsory for all pupils receiving secondary education

Safeguarding - Protecting children from abuse and maltreatment. Preventing harm to children's health or development. Ensuring children grow up with the provision of safe and effective care.

SATS - Standard assessment tests - used for national curriculum assessment in years two and six.

**SDP** - School Development Plan

**SEF** - School Self Evaluation Form - should usually reflect the sections that are covered during an Ofsted inspection.

**SEND** - Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

**SHOD** - Subject Heads of Department

**SLT** - Senior Leadership Team - Usually the head teacher, deputy head/s and assistant heads

**STEM** – Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths



