English as an Additional Language or Dialect

What support is given?

Children new to English receive extra help as they learn skills in Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing. In particular they are given support with:

- The English alphabet and the sound or phonetic system of written English
- Spoken English skills, including vocabulary, pronunciation and conversation
- Beginning reading and writing skills
- Essential words and ideas in Mathematics and other learning areas

After children have mastered the basics of English they are given support with:

- Grammar rules
- Understanding more complex language in spoken and written English
- Reading, Writing and Oral tasks, including practice for assessment pieces.

Who is supported?

Children who speak a language other than English and who have a parent born in a non-English speaking country.

Once students who fit this criteria have shown an acceptable level of progress over time, they will be reviewed and may no longer need to attend the program.

Where does EAL/D support take place?

Sometimes in a quiet area away from the classroom and sometimes within the classroom. Students are supported individually or in a small group

