

Links with other Services And Agencies

EAL teachers operate within the Integrated Children's Services Framework which links together Education, Social Work, Health Teams and others as appropriate. They also liaise with the Chair of the Education Equalities Working Group, the Highland Council Equal Opportunities Officer and the University of the Highlands and Islands.

Further Information is available at:

<http://www.highland.gov.uk/learninghere/supportforlearners/specialist/englishasadditionallanguage/>

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/hi/EAL/HighlandBLOG/>

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English

As an

Additional

Language

Support Service

Information for
Professionals,
Parents, Carers,
Families,
Children and
Young People

Who is the Service for?

1. All pupils for whom English is an Additional Language i.e. bilingual pupils who may be:
 - a) New to English
 - b) Early Acquisition
 - c) Developing Competence
 - d) Competentd) Fluent learners who function in 2+ languages.
2. Class, subject, guidance & support teachers, classroom/nursery assistants, promoted staff, Speech & Language Therapists, Pupil Support Assistants and others who have contact with bilingual pupils.
3. Those working to further the aims of multicultural, anti-racist and bilingual education in Highland.
4. Parents of bilingual children who may require assistance in liaising with schools, Adult Basic Education (ABE) and Workers Education Association (WEA)
Information available on Highland Council website:
www.highland.gov.uk

What does the Service offer?

EAL teachers work collaboratively with staff in schools within the Highland Council Area to ensure:

- **Diversity is valued.**
- **Home language is maintained.**
- **Inclusion and equality of access to the curriculum.**
- **Identification and assessment of need.**
- **Appropriate level of support.**
- **Effective teaching strategies and resources.**
- **Teaching support to individual/small groups of pupils.**
- **Holistic approach to assessment.**
- **Awareness of linguistic, religious and cultural matters.**
- **Effective home/school liaison**

Highland Council EAL Policy

How do EAL staff offer this Service?

Head Teachers and school staff contact the EAL teacher responsible for their area. Support is offered in 4 levels:

- Level 1: Enrolment support
- Level 2: Advice and Consultation
- Level 3: Pupil Assessment/Review of progress
- Level 4: Direct teaching input

Secondary pupils are offered SQA ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

Updated Legislative Framework

The following Acts are important legislative documents in the support structure for bilingual pupils.

- **Children and Families Bill 2013**
- **Equality Act 2010**
- **The Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2009**
- **Standards in Scotland's Schools Act 2000**
- **Children (Scotland) Act 1995**