

Young people at The Nexus Education Centre are usually referred to the Educational Psychologist (EP) to help review what is needed to support them in school, when they leave the Centre.

The EP will usually observe the young person in a lesson and/or work with them on a one-toone. The one-to-one work will include:

- Conversations to consider what has gone wrong in school and the young person's motivation to change
- Some tests to look at whether there are any particular learning difficulties that might be affecting things.

The EP will also talk to staff in Centre and from school to check that nothing else is being missed that might help their education. If other professionals have been involved, It is helpful to talk to them or see their reports. Parents or carers will always have the chance to meet with the EP too because their knowledge and ideas are very important.

At the end of the assessment, the EP will write a report pulling together all the information and making recommendations which will build on what is already working for the young person and what might help in the future. In many cases, it may be decided that this assessment will form part of an application for a statement for the young person to support their education, either back in their previous school or in a new school.

The aim is always for everyone to work together to ensure the best chance that the young person will succeed when they leave the Centre.







