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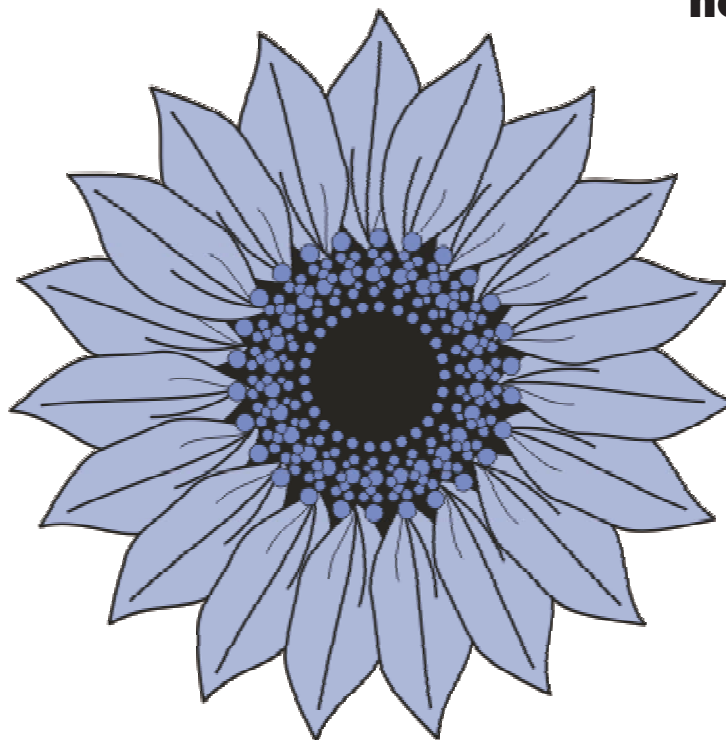
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A parent's guide

P Levels and PIVATS

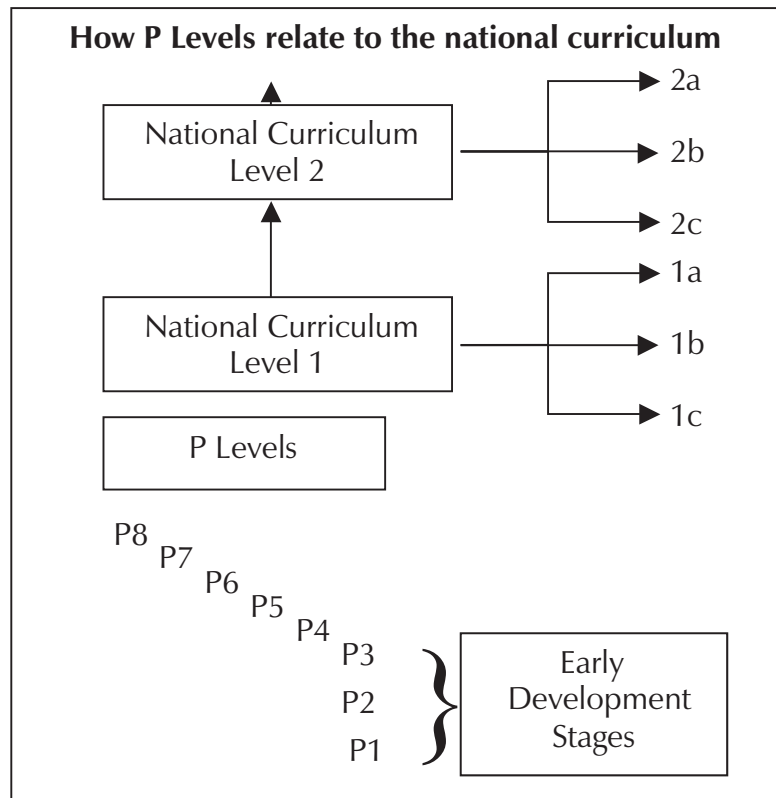
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P Levels and PIVATS

P Levels and PIVATS are used to show progress in small steps. P Levels are used for pupils who are working below level 1 of the National Curriculum. PIVATS give more detailed information on progress up to level 2 of the National Curriculum. They are useful

- when writing Individual Education Plan targets
- for showing the pupil's strengths
- in helping professionals describe progress in a consistent way



What are P levels?

- P Levels describe how a pupil is progressing towards Level 1 of the National Curriculum.
- There are eight P Levels (P1 to P8).
- Levels P1 to P3 focus on very early stages of development where a pupil's aims will be very similar across all subject areas. A target covering English, Maths and Science at these early levels might be; to consistently choose a favourite toy from a choice of two toys
- Levels P4 to P8 describe a pupil's progress within each separate subject area.
- National Curriculum Levels 1 and 2 can also be broken down further into 1a, 1b, 1c and 2a, 2b, 2c.

What are PIVATS?

PIVATS stands for

Performance
Indicators for
Value
Added
Target
Setting

PIVATS break down P Levels into smaller steps.

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