

Know your rights: Unlawful exclusions

Schools must not send a child home as a way of managing their additional support needs.

5 things you can do if your child is being sent home:

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Ask for a meeting with the school to discuss why your child is being sent home.

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Highlight that sending your child home without formally excluding them is against the law.

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Identify triggers: Ask the school if there is a pattern of when incidents happen that result in your child being sent home e.g. times of day, activities.

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Ask for a review of their support so your child is not sent home again.

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If your child continues to be sent home contact your local authority's Additional Support for Learning Officer (Enquire can help you find the right person to speak to).

Find more information here:
<http://enquire.org.uk/parents/exclusions>