Accessibility plan

Bordesley Village Primary School



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Aims	

Schools are required under the Equality Act 2010 to have an accessibility plan. The purpose of the plan is to:

- Increase the extent to which disabled pupils can participate in the curriculum
- Improve the physical environment of the school to enable disabled pupils to take better advantage of education, benefits, facilities and services provided
- Improve the availability of accessible information to disabled pupils

Bordesley Village Primary School aims to treat all its pupils fairly and with respect. This involves providing access and opportunities for all pupils without discrimination of any kind.

Bordesley Village is committed to providing an appropriate and high quality education to all of our pupils whilst meeting their individual needs. We believe that all children, including those identified as having special educational needs, English as an additional language, and children from minority ethnic groups, have a common entitlement to a broad and balanced academic and social curriculum, which is accessible to them, and to be fully included in all aspects of school life.

The plan will be made available online on the school website, and paper copies are available upon request.

Our school is also committed to ensuring staff are trained in equality issues with reference to the Equality Act 2010, including understanding disability issues.

The school supports any available partnerships to develop and implement the plan.

Our school's complaints procedure covers the accessibility plan. If you have any concerns relating to accessibility in school, this procedure sets out the process for raising these concerns.

We have included a range of stakeholders in the development of this accessibility plan.

Legislation and guidance

This document meets the requirements of schedule 10 of the Equality Act 2010 and the Department for Education (DfE) guidance for schools on the Equality Act 2010.

The Equality Act 2010 defines an individual as disabled if he or she has a physical or mental impairment that has a 'substantial' and 'long-term' adverse effect on his or her ability to undertake normal day to day activities.

Under the Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Code of Practice, 'long-term' is defined as 'a year or more' and 'substantial' is defined as 'more than minor or trivial'. The definition includes sensory impairments such as those affecting sight or hearing, and long-term health conditions such as asthma, diabetes, epilepsy and cancer.

Schools are required to make 'reasonable adjustments' for pupils with disabilities under the Equality Act 2010, to alleviate any substantial disadvantage that a disabled pupil faces in comparison with non-disabled pupils. This can include, for example, the provision of an auxiliary aid or adjustments to premises. This policy complies with our funding agreement and articles of association.

Action plan

This action plan sets out the aims of our accessibility plan in accordance with the Equality Act 2010.

Outcomes	Accessibility	Actions			Evidence	Dates
for groups of children and young people	planning code C — curriculum E — Environment I - information	What/How	Lead	Resources	to be collected to measure progress	(from and to)
Increase access to the curriculum for children with a disability	C, E & I	 Our school offers an adapted curriculum for all pupils. The curriculum is adapted by each class teacher to meet the needs of the pupils within their class. We use resources tailored to the needs of pupils who require support to access the curriculum. Class teachers in collaboration with parents, professionals and pupils will use individually designed resources in order to meet the needs of specific pupils in their class Curriculum resources include examples of people with disabilities. Curriculum resources are monitored to ensure that there are examples of people with disabilities within those that are used in all subject areas Curriculum progress is tracked for all pupils, including those with a disability. Curriculum progress is tracked for all pupil regardless of disability or ability. 1/2 termly pupil progress meetings identify need and 	SLT Inclusion Leads Class teachers Subject Leads Class teachers Class teachers Subject leads Inclusion Lead	Language and Literacy toolkits Maths toolkits Lexia reading program to continue to be used to support all SEND children, where appropriate.	Audit of staff training and competency. Evidence of strategies put into classrooms by staff. Evidence of staff training. Class teachers to maintain continuums for each child on the SEND register to identify targets and measure progress. Review meetings with staff.	From Spring 2025 ongoing

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track additional provision and its impact. Where pupils are working below age related expectations attainment is tracked using a range of additional methods including the Continuum, Boxhall profiles and Expectations for pupils working below standards at the end of Key stages. (see Assessment Policy)	Assessment Lead			
 Targets are set effectively and are appropriate for pupils with additional needs. 		Graduated Approach		
We currently use a Graduated Approach Booklet for all pupils with additional need to track progress. Targets are set for all pupils at pupil progress meetings and additional individual targets are set for all pupils on the SEND register and reviewed at least ½ termly.	Inclusion Lead Class Teacher			
• The curriculum is reviewed to ensure it meets the needs of all pupils. The curriculum is reviewed by the class teacher at least ½ termly to ensure that it meets the current needs of each class. An annual review of each subject within the curriculum will take place to ensure that the curriculum continues to meet the needs of the current school intake.	SLT Inclusion Leads Class Teacher Subject Leads DLP Lead			
Pupils with EHCP's will have at least termly reviews and an annual review to ensure provision continues to be appropriate.				

		 From April 2020 Funded Provision Plans will be in place. Ensure PE, Swimming and Sports Day are accessible to all All school trips and visits need to be accessible to all pupils. Ensure that relevant staff receive training on the use of any specialist equipment used by individual pupils. Ensure staff have training on specific needs and disability issues. 	Subject Leads Inclusion Leads Class Teacher SLT	Review the PE curriculum to include disability sports. Ensure that venues and means of transport are check for suitability. Staff audits Skill audits To identify training needs at meetings. Precision Teaching SCERTS Training Autism Awareness	Evidence of Staff CPD Risk assessments for visits and sports Staff CPD	
Improve and maintain access to the physical environment.	C, E & I	The environment is adapted to the needs of pupils as required. This includes: Ramps Elevators Corridor width Disabled parking bays Disabled toilets	Site Manager Inclusion Lead Head teacher		People with disabilities can be evacuated quickly, easily and safely.	Autumn 2024 Ongoing

		 Library shelves at wheelchair-accessible height Main Office hatch Ensure all people with disabilities can be safely evacuated. Ensure there is a personal emergency evacuation plan for pupils with disabilities Ensure that Class Teachers and adults are aware and assigned responsibility for high risk SEND pupils during fire drills and evacuations. Ensure staff are aware of the need to keep fire exits clear 	Inclusion Lead Class Teacher Headteacher, Site Manager, Class Teacher	Fire exit maps available in all classrooms and common areas around school. Assigned staff to be notified and recorded centrally to ensure all staff know their responsibilities.	Fire maps available. CT + TA's Know who the high-risk pupils in their care are. Peep Plan.	Autumn 2024 ongoing
Improve the delivery of information to pupils with a disability	C, E & I	Our school uses a range of communication methods to ensure information is accessible. This includes: • Internal signage • Large print resources • Pictorial or symbolic representations	Headteacher Inclusion Lead Class teachers	In classrooms - Visual timetable - Visual support - Concrete materials and resources - Large print resources	Strategies used in the classroom Improved accessibility for all throughout the school environment. Stake holders are easily able to access information around SEND.	Autumn 2024 ongoing

Monitoring arrangements

This document will be reviewed every 3 years, but may be reviewed and updated more frequently if necessary.

It will be approved by the Head teacher and governing body.

Links with other policies

This accessibility plan is linked to the following policies and documents:

- Risk assessment policy
- Health and safety policy
- Equality information and objectives (public sector equality duty) statement for publication
- Special educational needs (SEND) information report
- Supporting pupils with medical conditions policy
- Assessment Policy
- Teaching and Learning policy
- Discipline and Behaviour policy

Appendix 1: Accessibility Audit

Feature	Description	Actions to be taken	Person responsible	Date to complete actions by
Number of storeys	2 storeys	N/A		
Corridor access	All corridors are wide enough for wheelchair access	N/A		
Lifts	We have a lift from the ground floor to the first floor for wheelchair access.	Annual maintenance in place	Site Manager	July 2020
Parking bays	We have 1 disabled parking bay	N/A		
Entrances	All entrances are accessible using a wheel chair and have ramps up to the entrances where necessary.	Regular checks to ensure health and safety requirements	Site Manager	Monthly
Ramps	There are ramps to all ground floor entrances.	Regular checks to ensure health and safety requirements	Site Manager	Monthly
Toilets	We have 1 ground floor disabled toilet	Regular checks to ensure health and safety requirements	Site Manager	Daily
Reception area	DDA compliant Reception hatch	N/A		
Internal signage	Signs at appropriate eye level Fire exit signs are backlit	Regular checks to ensure health and safety requirements	Site Manager	Monthly