

Accessibility Plan

St Dunstan's RC Primary School

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1. 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 pupils with disabilities can participate in the curriculum
- > Improve the physical environment of the school to enable pupils with disabilities to take better advantage of education, benefits, facilities and services provided
- > Improve the availability of accessible information to pupils with disabilities

Our 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.

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, the complaints procedure sets out the process for raising these concerns.

We have included a range of stakeholders in the development of this accessibility plan, including SLT, phase leaders, site manager.

2. Legislation and guidance

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

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

Under the <u>Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Code of Practice</u>, '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 pupil with disabilities faces in comparison with a pupil without disabilities. This can include, for example, the provision of an auxiliary aid or adjustments to premises.

Accessibility Action Plan

Curriculum				
Action	Key Personnel	Timescale	Evaluation	
To further increase participation in extracurricular activities	Teachers	Termly review of		
for SEND pupils.	Office staff	extracurricular activities		
Access to Physical Environment				
Action	Key Personnel	Timescale	Evaluation	
Ensure trip hazards are repainted so that visually impaired are	Site Manager	Completed by Oct half		
aware of them.		term		
Ensure all classrooms, staff rooms, rooms around the school	Office staff	Completed by Oct half		
are clearly labelled.		term		
Access to Information				
Action	Key Personnel	Timescale	Evaluation	
Ensure that all information in reception area is viewable from	Office staff	Completed by Oct half		
both seating and standing positions.	SLT	term		
Ensure that all information in reception is visible for visual	Office staff	Completed by Oct half		
impaired, dyslexic, autistic and EAL.	SLT	term		
Ensure website is accessible to everyone, including translation	НВ	Completed by Oct half		
features and audio reading.		term		

4. Monitoring arrangements

This document will be reviewed every 3 years, but may be reviewed and updated more frequently if necessary. It will be reviewed by the governing body and SLT

It will be approved by the governing body.

5. 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 (SEN) information report
- > SEND policy
- > Supporting pupils with medical conditions policy