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Ecclesfield Primary ACCESSIBILITY PLAN

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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 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

Ecclesfield Primary School is committed to providing an environment that enables full curriculum access that values and includes all pupils, staff, parents and visitors regardless of their education, physical, sensory, social, spiritual, emotional and cultural needs.

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.

Ecclesfield Primary School aims to provide every child with access to a broad and balanced education that meets the specific needs of individuals and groups of children.

As an inclusive school we aim to provide equal opportunity for all our children by paying attention to the different groups of children within our school:

boys and girls; children with Special Educational needs and disabilities minority ethnic and faith groups; children with EAL (English as an additional language); G&T (gifted and talented children); any children who are at risk of disaffection or exclusion

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.

2. Legislation and guidance

This document meets the requirements of <u>schedule 10 of the</u>
<u>Equality Act 2010</u> and the Department for Education (DfE) <u>guidance</u>
<u>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 disabled pupil faces in comparison with non-disabled pupils. This can include, for example, the provision of an auxiliary aid or adjustments to premises.

At Ecclesfield Primary, our intention for Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND) is to ensure that all children receive a high-quality and ambitious education regardless of need or disability. We believe that it is vital that our pupils are equipped with the tools needed to become independent, inquisitive learners both in and out of the classroom.

Through our high quality planning, teaching and provision we:

Pride ourselves on early identification and intervention for

SEND to ensure that progress and opportunities are maximized

- Ensure that all children have access to a broad and balanced curriculum which is personalised to enable children to understand the relevance and purpose of learning
- Provide an accessible learning environment which is tailored to the individual needs of all pupils
- Develop children's independence and life skills
- Regularly monitor the progress of children with SEND, using a child centered approach
- Provide good quality and relevant training for all staff members supporting with SEND
- Work in partnership with parents and carers
- Work closely with external agencies and other professionals to refine and develop our provision for children with SEND

We have carefully considered and analysed the impact of this policy on equality and the possible implications for pupils with protected characteristics, as part of our commitment to meet the Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) requirement to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations.



3. Action plan

It is a requirement that our accessibility plan is resourced, implemented, reviewed and revised as necessary. Below is a set of action plans showing how Ecclesfield Primary School will address the priorities identified in the plan. The plan is valid for three years 2019-22. It is reviewed annually. This action plan sets out the aims of our accessibility plan in accordance with the Equality Act 2010.

Our Accessibility plan

2022-2025

AIM/OBJEC TIVE	CURRENT GOOD PRACTICE Include established practice, and practice under development	ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN	PERSON RESPONSI BLE	DATE TO COMPLE TE ACTION S BY	EVALUATION
To continue support and access tailored provision for pupils displaying complex	Early identification of pupils requiring additional support Completion of FCAF Discussion at locality panel meetings with	Continue with early identification of pupils requiring additional support	SENDCO	Ongoing	July 2023 Evaluation: We have continued to utilize alternative provision for a small number of pupils. These have worked well and supported the children in succeeding in a variety of activities. Within school,

emotional	regard to early	FCAFs as	we have continued to use
needs	identification	appropriate	our nurture room to
	Referral to LST, FACT, Ryegate GP	Establishment and review of	support pupils with sensory needs to give them time away from the
	referral to CAMHS (parent led)	nurture groups in order to	busy classrooms.
	Trauma Informed	meet the	Moving forward to 2023-
	Practitioner in place to support	needs of	2024, we are trialing two
	pupils emotional	identified pupils	nurture lunch spaces for those pupils who need
	needs	papers	additional support over
		Trauma	the lunchtime period
	Calm corners in place around school to support regulation	informed practitioners continue to	July 2024 Evaluation:
		access supervision to	We have an increasing
		support work	number of pupils have a
	Mighty	with	who access alternative
	Minds/FRIENDS interventions in	vulnerable pupils	provision off site. This is reviewed weekly or
	palace to support		fortnightly with parents
	identified pupils	Whole school	depending on need.
		attendance at	
		Trauma	Children who access

Informed

nurture provision in

		Training Autumn 2022, refresher training throughout academic year, See Health and Well being action plan Galley Kitchen redesign and refurb to support nurture provision			school or alternate entry/exit times show a calmer start/end of the day Prompt referral to external services means children access specialist support and advice comes into school to support pupils. However the delay in external services support due to long waiting lists can hinder provision.
To reduce the gap between attendance of SEN and NON SEN pupils	with parents of SEND pupils (3 structured		SENDCo / Senior Business Support Officer / Finance Clerk	July 2025	July 2023 Evaluation: SEN attendance 87.68% (END OF 22/23)

Continue to support why it is pupils and families important to through identification of non-attenders a.n.d. why. rea.son.s with. Discussions parents and working with other agencies.

Newsletter - impact of non-attendance learning and wider outcomes

early come to school

> Parental Engagement activities offered to supports parents (e.g. coffee mornings)

Leaflets shared with parents to support

Point of contact - LST (SENDCO)

Non SEN attendance 94.20% (end of 22/23)

Regular attendance meetings both internally and with Local Authority attendance offices and support agencies. Regular reviews of reduced timetables for those pupils who need this. LA guidance followed

Next Steps:

- Family liaosn worker to meet with SEND absentee and complete work on feelings and strategies to support.
- Further liaison with LA attendance team

September 2024 Evaluation (Year 23-24)

					SEN 89.4% Non SEN 94.22% Next Steps: Family Liason Officer to work with vulnerable families to support attendance issues Parental Engagement of pupils with SEND Bespoke supported from Inclusion service
Increase access to the curriculum for pupils with a disability	• Our school offers a quality first teaching curriculum for pupils which is ambitious for all	Request for support form introduced outlining the provision they have provided so far, what has worked, what hasn't worked.	SLT SENCO	July 2025	July 2023 Evaluation: Staff are becoming familiar with Birmingham Toolkit which supports small steps of progress to be made. SEND pupils discussed in termly pupil progress meetings. Regular check ins by 2 x SENCo

- We use resources tailored to the needs of pupils who require support to access the curriculum
- Curriculum resources include examples of people with disabilities
- Curriculum progress is tracked for all pupils, including those with a disability
- The curriculum is reviewed to ensure it meets the needs of all pupils
- Regular
 contact with
 parents of SEND
 pupils (3 structured
 conversations per
 year) to support

Deliver INSET training to support SEND knowledge and strategies to differentiate.

Ongoing training for all staff including training from external agencies (e.g. LSS).

Purchase of resources to support the curriculum for all

Further deep dives during 22-23 in DT, Computing, Maths, English, Pupil Premium to support school's reflection of how pupils of all abilities and with different needs can access the curriculum. Individual deep dives were positive with next steps identified.

Next Steps:

Continue additional needs support in all subject areas and resources which are needed to ensure pupils with disabilities and/or additional needs have appropriate equipment and provision to succeed,

July 2024 Evaluation:

Regular updates of plans for pupils Birmingham with medical needs. toolkit in ensuring all staff order to aware of tailored ensure targets needed, are set support including safety elements are and are considered catered for (e.g. for pupils with pupils have PEEPs if additional needed, access to needs m.e.d.i.c.a.t.i.on. and m.e.d.i.c.a.l. ot.h.e.r supplies)

Early Identification SEND Needs order to modify the curriculum effectively

Monitoring of regularly pupils through pupil progress meetings, provision plans

Embed the care use of the effectively and appropriate

Deep dives in different areas of the curriculum which has covered Inclusive curriculum aspects

Monitoring of provision by SENDCos has ensured provision is tailored to meet need and the work is pitched according to need/expected progress.

Referrals to external services are made at the earliest opportunity so that needs can be identified and support implemented

Advice from external services is followed and any resources needed are purchased by SENCos to meet children's needs and promote access to the curriculum

		3 structured conversations/reviews per year with parents/carers have ensured all parties are aware of the child's needs, progress and next steps
		Small steps tracking such as Birmingham Toolkit is used for identified children who struggle to access/make progress using curriculum milestones.

4. 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 governing body

5. Links with other policies

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

- Health and safety policy
- Equality information and objectives (public sector equality duty) statement for publication
- Special educational needs (SEN) information report
- Special Educational Needs Policy
- Behaviour Policy
- School Development plan
- Vision Statement