





Accessibility Plan

Oliver Goldsmith Primary School "Inspiring a love of learning."

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1. Aims

- 1.1 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
- 1.2 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.
- 1.3 At OGPS, we are committed to inclusion within a stimulating environment, providing an education that meets all individual needs.
- 1.4 Within our school it is recognised that all children should be guaranteed equal access to a broad and balanced curriculum regardless of gender, race, culture, religion, social class, disability or special educational need.
- 1.5 Both children and adults should know that everything is fair and that everyone is treated fairly and has the same entitlement as every other child or person.
- 1.6 At OGPS, we will continuously strive to ensure that everyone in our school is treated with respect and dignity and to establish a socially inclusive ethos and environment.
- 1.7 Each person in our school will be given fair and equal opportunities to develop their full potential with positive regard to gender, ethnicity, cultural and religious background, sexuality or disability.
- 1.8. 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.

1.9 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.

2. Legislation and guidance

- 2.1 This document meets the requirements of <u>schedule 10 of the Equality Act 2010</u> and the Department for Education (DfE) guidance for schools on the Equality Act 2010.
- 2.2 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.
- 2.3 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.

2.4 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.





3. Action plan

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

Aim 1: To increase the extent to which disabled pupils can participate in the school curriculum. Our key objective is to reduce and eliminate barriers to access to the curriculum and to ensure full participation in the school community for pupils, and prospective pupils, with a disability, medical condition or other access needs. Provision may include: Liaison with specialists, CPD for staff, a differentiated curriculum, specialist resources to support learning and access to the curriculum and a range of support staff including trained teaching assistants.

Targets	Strategies	Timescale	Responsibilities	Success Criteria
To liaise with pre-school	To identify pupils who may	Summer term annually	HT/Inclusion Lead/ EYFS	Provision set in place
providers to prepare for	need additional or adapted		teachers	ready for when the
the new intake of children	provision.			child/ren start school.
into EYFS annually.				
To liaise with educational	To identify pupils who may	As and when required	HT/Inclusion Lead	Provision set in place
establishments to prepare	need additional or adapted			ready for when the
for the intake of new	provision.			child/ren start school.
children who transfer				
within year.				
To establish and maintain	To ensure ongoing	Ongoing	Inclusion Lead/ all staff	Clear collaborative
effective communication	communication and			working approaches
with outside agencies for	collaboration between all			through regular meetings,
pupils with additional	professionals.			provision reviews and
needs.				action planning.
To establish and maintain	To ensure collaboration	Ongoing	All staff	Clear collaborative







effective and positive	and information sharing			working approaches
communication with	between home and			through regular meetings,
parents.	school.			provision reviews and
				action planning.
To include pupils with a	Liaise with external	Ongoing	All staff and extracurricular	Evidence that appropriate
disability, medical	agencies, identifying		service providers and	considerations and
condition or other access	training needs and		educational visits settings.	reasonable adjustments
needs as fully as possible	implementing training			have been made.
in the wider curriculum	where needed. Ensure			
including trips and	that actions, including			
residential visits as well as	emergency evacuation			
extra-curricular provision.	procedures, are clear and			
	that staff are capable of			
	carrying them out. Create			
	personalised risk			
	assessments and access			
	plans for individual			
	children.			





Aim 2: To improve the physical environment of the school to increase the extent to which pupils with a disability, medical condition or other access needs can access education and associated services.

Target	Strategies	Timescale	Responsibilities	Success criteria
Ensure that reasonable	Liaise with external	Ongoing	All staff and site manager	As full as possible
adjustments are made for	agencies, identifying			inclusion for all pupils.
pupils with a disability,	training needs and			Safe evacuation in an
medical condition or other	implementing training			emergency.
access needs.	where needed. Ensure			
	that actions, including			
	emergency evacuation			
	procedures, are clear and			
	that staff are capable of			
	carrying them out. Create			
	personalised risk			
	assessments and access			
	plans for individual pupils.			
Improve the physical	The school will take	Ongoing	Headteacher, SLT, site	Evidence that appropriate
school environment.	account the needs of		manager and governors	considerations have been
	pupils with physical			made wherever physical
	difficulties and sensory			school improvements are
	impairments when			carried out.
	planning and undertaking			
	future improvements and			
	refurbishments of the site			







and premises, such as		
improved access, lighting		
and colour schemes, clear		
signage and more		
accessible facilities and		
fittings.		

Aim 3: Improve the delivery of information to pupils, staff, parents/carers and other members of the school community.

Ensure that reasonable	Adopt a proactive	Ongoing	All staff	Evidence that appropriate
adjustments are made for	approach to identifying the			considerations and
parents with a disability,	access requirements of			reasonable adjustments
medical condition or other	parents and make			have been made, so that
access needs so as they	reasonable adjustments			parents can fully support
can fully support their	where possible.			their children in their
child's education.				education.
To enable improved	Create and offer	Ongoing	All staff and admin team	Evidence that appropriate
access to information for	information in alternative			considerations and
pupils, parents and	formats. Access			reasonable adjustments
visitors.	arrangements are			have been made.
	considered and put into			
	place for statutory testing.			





Monitoring arrangements

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

5. Links with other policies

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

- Risk assessment policy
- Health and safety policy
- Equality statement and Equalities Policy
- Special educational needs (SEN) information report
- Supporting pupils with medical conditions policy
- Inclusion Policy
- The School Development Plan
- The Staff Development Plan
- Curriculum Policies







