

Our vision is to provide students with the best opportunities possible to be positive and successful members of their communities. We do this by developing the whole student as well as focusing on their academic development. We do this through high quality, positive teaching and support and three core beliefs underpin everything we do:

Everyone has the potential to achieve

We have high expectations of ourselves and others

We respect ourselves and others

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Introduction

Disability statement

At Redbourn Park School we believe in providing every opportunity to develop our pupils and staff to reach their full potential. Our pupils are encouraged to challenge themselves to be the best they can. We achieve this by ensuring:

- · everybody feels valued, cared for and respected
- all our pupils have full access to the whole curriculum (including activities, trips, sports, assemblies, and reward events).

It is our aim to reduce, and where possible eliminate, barriers to access in our schools, the physical environment and the curriculum for pupils and prospective pupils, staff, parents/carers and visitors with and without a disability.

We promote and support disability awareness and equality for all disabled pupils, staff, parents, stakeholders and visitors to our school. We have a duty to publish our Accessibility Plan which explains how we are doing this and what we plan to do, which follows this statement.

This accessibility plan should be considered alongside our Equality and Diversity Policy. It is written to meet the requirements of Schedule 10 of the Equality Act 2010.

As a school providing education and support to pupils with complex needs, including ASD and social, emotional and mental health (SEMH) difficulties, we have a responsibility to:

- consistently promote equality of opportunity
- eliminate unlawful discrimination
- eliminate disability-related harassment
- promote positive attitudes towards disabled people
- encourage participation by disabled people in public life
- be tolerant and aware of all needs of pupils, staff and visitors
- take steps and make reasonable adjustments to meet disabled people's needs.

Our accessibility plan

This accessibility plan considers primarily pupils but all stakeholders' access to:

- the curriculum
- the physical environment
- information normally provided in written form

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Accessibility plan						
Action Timescale Finance			Responsibility	Monitoring		
Compliance with the equality act 2010						
Compliance with the equality act 2010	Ongoing	NA	All	Governance		
	Admissions					
Ensure the wording of all school documentation and policies makes provision for disabled pupils and is therefore not unintentionally discriminatory	Ongoing	NA	НТ	Governors		
Thoroughly consider and plan for the needs of the pupil prior to entry (linked to curriculum as well as access)	ongoing	Pupil banding budgets	НТ	НТ		
	Accessibility to buildings					
Doors wide enough for wheelchairs Disabled toilets are available Upstairs has no lift facility, all lessons and meetings would be held downstairs as required or arrangements to be made at Community Centre	As required	Budget made available as required	Governors & HT	Governors & HT		
Trips planned to include locations all pupils and staff can access	Ongoing	NA	HT	HT		

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Access to Education and learning					
The school offers a continually training program to ensure staff are up to date and appropriately equipped to support the pupils and their needs	Ongoing		нт	нт	
The curriculum is wide, balanced and relevant. All pupils are able to access it (adapted and with appropriate support where appropriate)	As required School budget		нт	HT	
Technology, such as larger keyboards and screens for pupils that require it			нт	HT	
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An alternate sport program where required so all pupils have access to a sports curriculum and physical education experience.	As required		HT	HT	
Policies, procedures & written information					
Disability and additional needs awareness to be considered and reflected in school policies and procedures as appropriate	Ongoing	NA	HT	HT	
Larger print handouts	Ongoing	As required	Teachers & HT	HT	
Scaffolded and differentiated information	Ongoing	As required	Teachers & HT	HT	
School letters and information in accessible formats	Ongoing	As required	HT	HT	

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Medical				
Assess needs and acquire appropriate resources required for pupils prior to starting placement	Ongoing	As required	Teachers & HT	НТ
Training for staff on specific and sometimes specialised needs and conditions	Ongoing	As required	Teachers & HT	нт

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