



Accessibility Plan 2022-24

Purpose of the Plan

The purpose of this plan is to show how Carleton Endowed CE (VA) Primary School intends, over time, to increase the accessibility of our school for disabled pupils.

Definition of Disability

A person has a disability 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 carry out normal day to day activities.

Legal Background

From September 2002, the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 outlaws discrimination by schools and LEA`s against either current or prospective disabled pupils in their access to education. It is a requirement that the school`s accessibility plan is resourced, implemented and reviewed and revised as necessary.

This plan sets out the proposals of the Governing Body of the school to increase access to education for disabled pupils in the three areas required by the planning duties in the DDA:

- increasing the extent to which disabled pupils can participate in the school curriculum (this includes teaching and learning and the wider curriculum of the school such as participation in after school clubs, leisure and cultural activities or school visits;
- improving the environment

of the school to increase the extent to which disabled pupils can take advantage of education and associated services (this includes improvements to the physical environment of the school and physical aids to access education; •improving the delivery to disabled pupils of information which is provided in writing for pupils who are not disabled (this will include planning to make written information that is normally provided by schools to its pupils available to disabled pupils. Examples might include handouts, timetables, textbooks and information about school events. The information should take account of the pupils` disabilities and the preferred format of pupils and parents and be made available within a reasonable timeframe.

Carleton Endowed CE (VA) Primary School aims to treat all stakeholders, including pupils, prospective pupils, staff, governors and other members of the school community favourably and, wherever possible, takes reasonable steps to avoid placing anyone at a substantial disadvantage. The school aims to work closely with disabled pupils, their families and any relevant outside agencies in order to remove or minimise any potential barriers to learning, which puts them at a disadvantage, but allows them to learn, achieve and participate fully in school life. The school is active in promoting positive attitudes to disabled people in the school and in planning to increase access to education for all disabled pupils.

As part of the school's continued communication with parents, carers and other stakeholders we continually look at ways to improve accessibility through data collection, questionnaires and parental discussions.

Contextual Information

The school is a one storey building (excluding the staff room) which has disabled facilities and toilets. Wheelchair access is available into the main building and into and out of each of the classrooms. All areas of the school grounds are now accessible to wheelchair users, although an area near the school pond may give restricted access unless accompanied by an adult.

The Current Range of Disabilities within Carleton Endowed CE (VA) Primary School

The school has children with a range of disabilities which include high, moderate and specific learning difficulties. When children enter school with specific disabilities, the school contacts the LA professionals for assessments, support and guidance for the school and parents.

We have a number of children who have asthma and all staff are aware of these children. Inhalers are kept in the classrooms and a record of use is noted.

We have competent First Aiders who hold current First Aid certificates. All medication is kept in a central safe and secure place which has easy access for First Aiders and staff members. Administration of Medicines consent forms are filled in by parents outlining the illness and amount and time of medication. All medication that is given is recorded.

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Targets	Strategies	Outcome	Timeframe	Achieved
Equality and Inclusion				
To ensure that the Accessibility Plan becomes an annual agenda item at FGB Meetings	Clerk to Governors to add to list for FGB meetings.	Adherence to legislation. Annually	Annually	Yes
To improve staff awareness of disability issues.	Review staff training needs. Provide training for members of the school community as appropriate	Whole school community aware of issues.	Ongoing (responsive to needs of pupils)	Yes
To ensure that all policies consider the implications of disability access.	Consider during review of policies.	Policies reflect current legislation	Ongoing as part of review process	Yes
Physical Environment				
To ensure that all areas of the school buildings and grounds are accessible for all children and adults and continue to improve	Audit of accessibility of school buildings and grounds by Governors. Suggest actions and implement as budget	Modifications will be made to the school building to improve access.	Ongoing (responsive to needs of pupils)	Ongoing

access to the school's physical environment for all.	allows.			
Curriculum				
To continue to train support staff to enable them to meet the needs of children with a range of SEN.	SENco to review the needs of children and provide training for staff as required	All staff are able to enable all children to access the curriculum	Ongoing (responsive to needs of pupils)	Ongoing
To ensure that all children are able to access all out-of-school activities. Eg clubs, trips etc.	Review out of school provision to ensure compliance with legislation	All providers of out of school education will comply with legislation to ensure that the needs of all children are met.	Ongoing (responsive to needs of pupils)	Ongoing
To provide specialist equipment to promote participation in learning by all pupils.	Assess the needs of the children and provide equipment as appropriate eg pens, headphones, writing slopes	Children will develop independent learning skills.	Reviewed by classteachers and monitored by SENDco	Ongoing
To meet the needs of individuals during statutory tests (as appropriate)	Children will be assessed in accordance with regular classroom practice and additional time, use of amanuensis etc will be applied as needed.	Barriers to learning will be reduced or removed enabling children to achieve their full potential	Annually	Ongoing

Other information:				
To ensure that all parents and other members of the school community can access information	Written information will be provided in alternative formats as necessary.	Written information will be provided in alternative formats as necessary	Reviewed according to needs	Yes
To ensure that parents who are unable to attend school due to disability are able to access parents consultation sessions.	Staff to hold parents consultations by phone, TEAMS or written report.	Parents are informed of child's progress	Termly according to need	Yes

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