

# Stubbings Infant School Accessibility Plan 2022- 2023

We are committed to giving all of our children every opportunity to achieve the highest of standards. We do this by taking account of pupils' varied life experiences and needs. We offer a broad and balanced curriculum with high expectations for all our children. Stubbings Infant 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. We are committed to taking positive action in the spirit of the Equality Act 2010 with regard to disability and to developing a culture of inclusion, support and awareness within the school.

#### Purpose of Plan

The purpose of this plan is to show how Stubbings Infant School intends, over time, to increase accessibility to the physical environment, the curriculum and written information so that all pupils/students with a disability can take full advantage of their education and associated opportunities.

#### **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.

#### <u>Key Aims</u>

To increase and eventually ensure for pupils with a disability that they have:

- total access to our setting's environment, curriculum and information.
- full participation in the school community.

#### **Principles**

- Compliance with the Equality Act is consistent with our setting's aims and equal opportunities policy and SEN information report.
- Our staff recognise their duty under the Equality Act
- Not to discriminate against disabled pupils in their admissions and exclusions, and provision of education and associated services
- Not to treat disabled pupils less favourably
- To take reasonable steps to avoid putting disabled pupils at a substantial disadvantage
- To publish an accessibility plan
- In performing their duties governors have regard to the Equality Act 2010

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- recognises and values the young person's knowledge/parents' knowledge of their child's disability
- recognises the effect their disability has on his/her ability to carry out activities,
- respects the parents' and child's right to confidentiality
- The setting provides all pupils with a broad and balanced curriculum that is differentiated, personalised and age appropriate.

## Stubbings Infant School's Accessibility Plan endeavours to cover the statutory areas detailed below.

- Increasing Access for disabled pupils to 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.
- Through regular self-review and continuous professional development (CPD) we aim to enhance staff's knowledge, skills and understanding to promote excellent teaching and learning for all children.

- All children are permitted to attend age relevant extra-curricular clubs, leisure, cultural capital activities and educational visits.
- Improving access to the physical environment of the school. This includes improvements to the physical environment of the school and physical aids to access education.
- Resource provision is kept under constant review
- Provision in exceptional circumstances will be negotiated when a pupil's specific needs are understood.
- Improving the delivery of written information to disabled pupils. This will include planning to make written information that is normally provided by the school to its pupils available to disabled pupils. Examples might include handouts, timetables, and information about school events. The information should take account of pupils' disabilities and pupils' and parents preferred formats and be made available within a reasonable time frame.
- The current level of need will need to be established and respond to changes in the range of need
- Stubbings Infant School will need to identify agencies and sources of such materials to be able to make provision when required.
- IT infrastructure will enable us to access a range of materials.

# Financial Planning and control

The Executive Headteacher, SLT and the finance committee will review the financial implications of the accessibility plan as part of the normal budget review process.

Access to the physic	al environment	Access to the physical environment						
Accessibility	Action	Who	Long Term	Time Frame	Notes			
Outcome								
Provision of	Consider where a wheelchair	Site manager	LT					
wheelchair	accessible toilet could be	Ex Head						
accessible toilets	placed within the school building	Governors						
Access into school	Access would be through	Site manager	LT		Access through			
and reception to be	EYFS, a removable ramp with a				gate would need to			
fully compliant	turn would be required.	Governors			be considered			
	Area at top of stairs to be							
	utilised as part of the reception area							
Majority of ground	Consider the needs of pupils	SENCo	LT					
floor areas	(and staff/visitors) with physical	Site Manager			Parking Space			
accessible for	difficulties and sensory	ene manager			r annig opuoo			
people with	impairments when planning.							
disabilities	Ground Floor classroom for							
	wheelchair use.							
Reasonable	Create personalised risk	Site Manager	LT	In Place				
adjustments are	assessments if necessary.	SENCo						
made for pupils	Liaise with external agencies,							
with a disability,	identifying training needs and							
medical condition	implementing training when							
	needed.							

or other access needs.					
Maintain safe access around the exterior of the school	Ensure that pathways are kept clear of hazard items and vegetation	Site Manager	LT	In Place	
Maintain safe access around the interior of the school	Awareness of flooring, furniture and layout in planning for disabled pupils	Site Manager	LT	In Place	

Access to the curriculum							
Accessibility	Action	Who	Long Term	Time Frame	Notes		
Outcome							
Effective communication and engagement with parents.	Termly meetings IEP meetings with teacher and parents/carer	SENCo	Medium	In Place	Termly reports are timed so that parents receive report before IEP meeting		
Staff are trained regularly re additional needs.	Regular meetings/training relevant to the needs of the children	SENCo Class Teachers Support Staff	Medium	In Place			
Pupils with additional needs make expected progress	Termly Data Analysis Regular monitoring IEPs reviewed every term in consultation with parents Home learning is accessible Support within lessons is differentiated accordingly and 'tailored' to meet needs	SENCo Teacher	Termly Review	In Place			

Classrooms and lessons are fully accessible to all learners	QFT adaptations/approaches Learning activities are differentiated accordingly Resources are deployed to best suit the needs of the children (adult support and/or physical resources Consideration made for classroom layout. Bookshelves/resources at wheelchair-accessible height	Class Teachers	Short	Ongoing	
Adaptions to the curriculum to meet the needs of individual learners	Nurturing/Therapeutic style support for individuals physiotherapy/OT programmes Speech and Language Therapy Hearing and visual impairments	Class Teachers SENCo	Short	Ongoing	Programmes provided by OT/Physio/SALT
Appropriate use of specialised equipment to benefit pupils and staff	Dyslexia friendly resources available in all classrooms: coloured overlays, pencil grips Equipment to support sensory needs: peanut balls, medicine balls, weighted resources etc.	Class Teachers SENCo	Medium	Ongoing	
All out of school activities and after school clubs are planned to ensure reasonable adjustments are made to enable the participation of the	Risk assessments will be taken where appropriate. Providers will comply with all legal requirements. Support staff may accompany pupils so they can participate	SENCo All Staff	Short Term	Ongoing	

whole range of			
pupils.			

Access to Information	Access to Information and Guidance						
Accessibility	Action	Who	Long Term	Time Frame	Notes		
Outcome							
Access to written information for	Create and offer information in alternative formats Access	SLT	Long	Yearly			
pupils, parents and	arrangements are considered						
visitors is improved	and put in place for statutory						
	testing.						
Parents with a	Adopt a proactive approach to	SLT	Long	Yearly	Direct to		
disability, medical condition or other	identifying the access arrangements of parents and	SENCo			Calderdale Services		
access needs have	make reasonable adjustments				Services		
reasonable	where possible. SENCo to work				SENDIASS		
adjustments made	with parents and identify				Unique Ways		
so they can fully	support for them.						
support their child's							
education							

Compliance with Equality Act						
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Policies reflect whole school	Policies to be reviewed annually	SENCo	Long	Yearly		

inclusive practice and procedure				
Policies are coproduced with governors and other stakeholders	Policies are shared at governor meetings before being agreed and placed on the school website.	SLT	Long	Yearly
All staff understand the needs of the children at Stubbings Infant School	Regular training for all staff in managing the changing needs of the children. Close liaison with preschools/previous settings to ensure information about the needs of new children to the school are shared with key staff One Page Profiles Medical needs posters	SENCo	Long	Yearly When new pupil joins
The majority of areas are accessible for people with disabilities	Regular safety checks conducted to existing adaptions/signage. The physical needs of pupils, staff and visitors are considered when planning and undertaking future improvements and refurbishments of the site and premises.	SENCo Site Manager SLT	Long	Yearly
Reasonable adjustments are made for pupils	Personalised risk assessments and care plans created and reviewed as necessary	SENCo SLT	Long	Termly

with a disability, medical condition	Care plans and risk	All Staff		
or other access needs	assessments shared with parents and staff	Site Manager		
	Ensure that actions, including emergency evacuation			
	procedures, are clear and that staff are capable of carrying			
	them out.			
	Liaison with external agencies to identify training needs and			
	implement training when			
	required			