Crockenhill Primary School



Learning together. Working together. Achieving together.

Accessibility Plan 2024 - 2027

Published – September 2024 Date for review – July 2027 At Crockenhill Primary School our values reflect our commitment to a school where there are high expectations of everyone. Children are provided with high quality learning opportunities so that each child attains and achieves all that they are able to. Everyone in our school is important and included. We promote an ethos of care and trust where every member of our school community feels that they truly belong and are valued. We are a safe school, committed to improving children's confidence and self-esteem. We know that safe and happy children achieve.

This Accessibility Plan is drawn up in compliance with current legislation and requirements as specified in Schedule 10, relating to Disability, of the Equality Act 2010. School Governors are accountable for ensuring the implementation, review and reporting of progress of the Accessibility Plan over a prescribed period.

The Equality Act 2010 replaced all existing equality legislation, including the Disability Discrimination Act. The effect of the law is the same as in the past, meaning that "schools cannot unlawfully discriminate against pupils because of sex, race, disability, religion or belief and sexual orientation".

According to the Equality Act 2010 a person has a disability if:

- (a) He or she has a physical or mental impairment, and
- (b) The impairment has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on his or her ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities.

We understand that the Local Authority will monitor the school's activity under the Equality Act 2010 (and in particular Schedule 10 regarding Accessibility) and will advise upon the compliance with that duty.

Objectives

Crockenhill 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. 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.

The school recognises and values parent's knowledge of their child's disability and its effect on their ability to carry out everyday activities and respects the parent's and child's right to confidentiality.

The Accessibility Plan shows how access can be improved for disabled pupils, staff and visitors to the school within a given timeframe and anticipating the need to make reasonable adjustments to accommodate their needs where practicable. The Plan relates to the key aspects of physical environment, support services, awareness and Communication of information.

Whole school training will recognise the need to continue raising awareness for staff and governors on equality issues with reference to the Equality Act 2010.

The Accessibility Plan will be published on the school website.

The Accessibility Plan will be monitored through the Full Governing Body (FGB).

The Accessibility Plan may be monitored by Ofsted during inspection processes in relation to Schedule 10 of the Equality Act 2010.

It is a requirement that the school's accessibility plan is resourced, implemented, reviewed and revised as necessary and reported on annually. Attached is a set of action plans showing how the school will address the priorities identified in the plan.

The priorities for the Accessibility Plan for our school were identified by:

- The Governing Body
- Head Teacher
- Deputy Head
- SENCO

Premises

A plan of the school buildings is kept in the school office with this plan.

Itom	Item Issue Yes No N/A Action					
item	Issue	res	NO	N/A	Action	
1	Are your buildings adapted to ensure the majority of the areas are physically accessible?	Х				
2	Are pathways and routes logical and well signed?	X				
3	Do you have emergency and evacuation procedures to alert all students?	Х				
4	Is appropriate furniture and equipment provided to meet the needs of individual students?	X				
5	Do furniture layouts allow easy movement for students with disabilities?	X				
6	Are quiet rooms/calming rooms available to children who need this facility?	x				
7	Are car parking spaces reserved for disabled people near the main entrance?	Х				
8	Are there any barriers to easy movement around the site and to the main entrance?	Х				
9	Are steps needed for access to the main entrance?			X		
10	Do all steps have contrasting edging?		Х		Partially complete. To be actioned	
11	Is there a continuous handrail on each ramp and stair flight and landing?	X				
12	Is it possible for a wheelchair user to get through the principal door unaided?	Х				

13	Do all internal doors allow a wheelchair user to get through unaided?		X (high handles on one door to prevent young children leaving classroom)	
14	Do all the corridors have a clear, unobstructed width of 1.2m?	Х		
15	Do emergency alarm systems cater for those with hearing impairment? (e.g. flashing light)	Х		Any hearing impaired children would be accompanied and would be visually notified.
16	Is a hearing induction loop available (either fixed or portable) in the school?	Х		Available in KS2 classrooms. Not currently in use. Training needed.

Item	Issue	Yes	No	N/A	Action
1	Do staff have high aspirations and expectations of pupils/students with SEND?	Х			
2	Do you have arrangements for teachers and teaching assistants to have the necessary training to teach and support children and young people?	Х			Training is reviewed annually or when needs arise. Courses will be booked when available. In house training provided.
3	Is teaching appropriately differentiated to meet individual needs so that children and young people make good progress?	X			
4	Are all children and young people encouraged to take part in music, drama, trips and physical activities?	X			

5	Do all staff			
	recognise,	X		
	understand and			
	allow for the			
	additional planning			
	and effort			
	necessary for			
	children and young			
	people with			
	disabilities to be			
	fully included in the			
	curriculum?			
6	Do you ensure that			
	homework and home	Χ		
	learning is			
	accessible? E.g –			
	online or hard copies			
	available.			
7	Do you provide			Specific resources
	access to	Χ		available,
	appropriate			dependant on
	technology for			pupils needs.
	those with			
	disabilities?			
8	Are cover staff	X		Class files to
	including			contain specific
	supply			pupil information
	teachers, clear			regarding
	about the			additional needs.
	additional			Verbal
	needs of pupils			conversations prior
	and how to			to the cover staff
	meet their			working with
	needs?			classes, where
				possible take
				place.

Information access and audit plan						
Item	Issue	Yes	No	N/A	Action	
1	Do you have arrangements to provide information in simple language, symbols, large print, on audiotape or in Braille for students and prospective students who may have difficulty with standard forms of printed information?	X			Specific resources will be allocated based on individual need. To be considered and developed.	

Item	Issue	Yes	No	N/A	Action
2	Do you have the facilities such as ICT to produce written information in different formats?	X			
3	Do you ensure that information is available to staff, students and parents in a way that is user friendly for all people with disabilities?	Х			
4	Do you share information and signpost parents and families to outside agency support or government support, when needed?	Х			
5	Do you hold review meetings at times when parents are able to attend?	Х			