

NORTH CAVE C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Accessibility Plan 2023-25

School vision:

A Christian school at the heart of the community that we serve.

Achieving our goals as we are guided by God's light.

Believing in ourselves, in each other and in God.

Caring and nurturing all of God's children in our school family.

Sharing our aspirations through our exciting, enriched and inclusive curriculum.

'Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.' 1 Thessalonians 5 Verse 11

And my God will meet all your needs, according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:19

Purpose of the Plan

The purpose of this plan is to show how North Cave C of E Primary School ensures that all within our school community have access to our school, regardless of disability.

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.

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".

This plan sets out how the school intends to:-

- Increase the extent to which disabled pupils can participate in the curriculum
- Improve the physical environment to enable disabled pupils to take better advantage of the education, benefits, facilities and services provided
- Improve the availability of accessible information to disabled pupils and their families

Definition of Disability

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

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

Contextual Information

The school is a single storey building that consists of six dedicated teaching areas, a library and a hall. The children benefit from a playground and field to the rear of the building and a smaller playground with additional grassed area at the front. There is ramped access to a sheltered area at the front of the building. The site is relatively flat and two ramps provide access to the building at the rear where the entrance is slightly raised. There is a dedicated accessible car parking space within the car park and an accessible toilet within school should this be required. The

school currently operates four classes, each with its own dedicated class teacher. In addition to this, support staff are employed to support individual pupils and groups within the school. These staff are allocated following an analysis of need. The school has a secure first aid box and dedicated fridge for the storage of medication. Information regarding medical arrangements and procedure can be found in our Management of Medication Policy and information is shared with parents regularly on our newsletter.

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Aim 1 - Increase the extent to which disabled pupils can participate in the curriculum						
Outcome	Action	Timescale	Responsible person	Resource implication/cost	Progress/evaluation	
Appropriate differentiation of the curriculum	Ensure work is appropriately differentiated and support provided based upon need.	Ongoing	All staff	Time		
Ensure all teaching resources are provided in an appropriate format	All class teachers are to ensure that teaching resources are adapted as necessary to make them accessible for all pupils during the school day.	Ongoing	Class teachers and support staff	Cost to adapt resources		
Ensure all assessment resources are provided in an appropriate format	Ensure that all access arrangements are in place prior to assessments for eligible pupils	Ongoing. Reviewed prior to statutory deadlines for SATS	Headteacher	Time		

Ensure appropriate apparatus and specialist equipment is provided to support all children's needs	Ensure adults have liaised with the appropriate external agencies regarding appropriate apparatus and equipment.	Ongoing based on need	Class teachers SENDCO	Time Cost of apparatus/ specialist equipment if not provided by external agencies
Ensure performance of pupils closely tracked to identify new and emerging needs	Ongoing monitoring and assessment.	Ongoing assessment by school staff and external agencies. Reviewed during PPMs.	TAs Class teacher SENDCO	Time
Ensure appropriate adult support for all activities, including offsite activities.	Planning in place to ensure appropriate adult support for activities in school and off site.	Ongoing	Class teacher Headteacher	Time, potential staffing costs
Provide emotional support to ensure all pupils are able to regulate their emotions and thus access learning.	ELSA sessions in place to support children with emotional needs. MIND support in place from September 2023	Ongoing	ELSA SENDCO	Time Funding for ELSA and MIND – The Education Alliance Trust
Ensure IT resources are used appropriately to support learning	Ensure the monitoring of the IT equipment across school. Keep up to date with new technology to support the needs of our pupils.	Ongoing	SENDCO Computing lead	Cost of IT equipment and time for support from Active if appropriate.

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Redecorate accessible toilet	Redesign and renovate the accessible toilet area, ensuring it meets the needs of all pupils.	Autumn 2023	Headteacher Director of Estates - LP	Cost of labour/materials needed for the renovation and upkeep.	
Ensure all access routes to the school are appropriate for children using them	Ensure ongoing risk assessments in place and modifications are made to access routes if necessary.	Ongoing	Headteacher Director of Estates - LP	Ongoing maintenance	
Ensure appropriate access to and accommodation of support resources	Carry out risk assessments to ensure resources are appropriate and fit for purpose.	Ongoing	Headteacher Specialist professionals	Cost of equipment, maintenance and support,	
Ensure the organisation of the school environment supports pupils with identified needs	Ongoing assessment of needs and the resources needed. Liaison of school team and external agencies.	Ongoing	SENDCO Class teachers	Cost of resources or adaptations in the environment.	
To ensure that all pupils are able to evacuate the building in the event of an emergency	Ensure emergency exits are signposted and exits are clear. Individual evacuation plan in place for any children with identified disability.	Weekly fire alarm checks. Termly fire drill/ evacuation	Headteacher School Admin	Time	

Aim 2 - Improve the physical environment to enable disabled pupils to take better advantage of the education, benefits, facilities and services

Aim 3 - Improve the availability of accessible information to disabled pupils and their families					
Outcome	Action	Timescale	Responsible person	Resource implication/cost	Progress/evaluation
Consider all users in relation to information that is provided	Ensure clear communication between all involved with adaptations made as necessary.	Ongoing	SENDCO	Time Cost of necessary adaptations	