

Accessibility Plan 2024/5

Our Commitment to children with SEND

We believe that every child deserves the same chances and opportunities in life. Here at Jeavons Wood, all staff are committed to ensuring that every child grows, learns, and enjoys school.

We are committed to inclusion and want every pupil to be fully included in every aspect of school life such as lessons, activities, after school clubs and trips. We have high aspirations for all our children and want them to be independent, engaged learners who have high self-esteem. This is so important for our children with SEND and all staff consistently try their best to ensure that these children's needs are catered for in all areas of school life.

This is the Jeavons Wood Accessibility plan.

We have a statutory duty to produce this document for our school and ensure that it is resourced, implemented and reviewed.

Background Information

<u>The Equality Act 2010</u> means 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.

The Equality Act 2010 outlaws discrimination by schools and Local Education Authorities against either current or prospective students in their access to education.

Other relevant school documents

The Accessibility plan can be in conjunction with the following school policies:

- Behaviour Management Policy
- Curriculum Policies
- Emergency Plan
- Health & Safety Policy
- School Improvement Plan
- Special Educational Needs Policy
- Teaching and Learning Policy
- Equality Policy 2012
- Equality Act Information March 2013
- Equality Objectives 2012- 2016
- Equality and Diversity Policy for Staff

Objectives of the Accessibility Plan:

- 1. Increase access to the curriculum for pupils with a physical disability and/or sensory impairments; this covers teaching and learning and the wider curriculum of the school such as participation in after-school clubs, leisure and cultural activities or school visits.
- 2. Improve and maintain access to the physical environment of the school, adding specialist facilities as necessary this includes improvements to the physical environment of the school and physical aids to access education within a reasonable timeframe.
- 3. Improve the delivery of written information to pupils, staff, parents and visitors with disabilities; examples might include hand-outs, timetables, textbooks and information about the school and school events; the information should be made available in various preferred formats within a reasonable timeframe.

Objective 1 (ONGOING): Increase access to the curriculum for pupils with a physical disability and/or sensory impairments. To include:

- taking reasonable steps to ensure that lessons, trips and school activities are available to all students irrespective of their physical or mental disability.
- ensuring sufficient ICT aids exist to enable physically disabled students to participate fully in school activities.
- ensuring all staff are trained to meet the needs of the pupils currently on roll.
- monitoring attainment of all disabled children and put in place actions to bridge attainment gaps.
- reviewing curriculum content at all key stages to ensure that disability issues are adequately addressed.

Specific Actions	Lead/	Timescales	Resources	Success Criteria	2025 review and next steps
	Monitor				
All staff to be trained as appropriate to meet needs of	Head	Review	Training as	Medical needs met, protocols in place and	
key pupils; both medical needs and in on-going		January	appropriate	followed.	
differentiation of the curriculum.		2025	e.g., Moving		
			and Handling	Differentiation of curriculum activities evident	
SEND monitoring to track progress of disabled pupils		This should		in planning and lesson observations.	
and the impact of interventions they may take part in	SENDCo	be	Liaise with		
		continuous	Occupational	SEND monitoring embedded in Governor	
Full risk assessments to be carried out to ensure	SENDCo	throughout	Therapy and	monitoring.	
disabled pupils can take part in extra-curricular		the year	Physiotherapy		
activities as appropriate.			as needed.	Risk assessments in place for all relevant	
				activities and needs of disabled pupils clearly	
Classrooms and agora are organised so that	All staff			identified.	
independence and participation of all children is					
optimal.				On-going policy reviews include reference to	
				needs of disabled pupils as appropriate.	
Regular SEND learning walks	SENDCo				
				All pupils fully included as appropriate to their	
School policy reviews to consider needs of disabled	SENDCo			needs.	
pupils.					
Appropriate activities to be designed to take account of	All staff				
children with disabilities so they are included in school					
performances and events such as sports day					

Objective 2 (ONGOING): Improve and maintain access to the physical environment of the school, adding specialist facilities as necessary

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	Monitor				
Carry out an access audit every two years to ensure	Head	Audit by	Advice from	Disabled pupils and parents are able to	
school is accessible to all in all areas.		March 2025	support services	access school site including site entrance and	
	SENDCo	to inform	if needed.	car park.	
		specific			
	Premises	actions	Caretaker time	Disabled parents and children can use the	
	governor		for any	school and its facilities successfully.	
			improvements		
			needed.		
			Cost for		
			improvements,		
			if needed,		
			following access		
			audit.		