

Accessibility Plan

Status	Recommended
Audience	Governors, Principal, Teachers, Parents, Students
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1. Compliance

- 1. This policy has been prepared with due regard to the following statutory provisions and guidance:
- 1. Equality Act 2010
- 2. Disability Discrimination (Prescribed Times and Periods for Accessibility Strategies and Plans for Schools) (England) Regulations 2005
- 3. The Department for Education's guidance, "The Equality Act 2010 and schools" May 2014.

2. About this accessibility plan

- 1. This document should be read in conjunction with The Prescot School's Equality Statement.
- 2. Everyone at The Prescot School has equal value. The Prescot School's Equality Statement is based on the principle of respect for each individual. The Heath School is committed to taking positive action in the spirit of the Equality Act 2010 and all members of The Prescot School are committed to developing a culture of inclusion, support and awareness within The Prescot School so that each individual can grow and flourish regardless of Sex, Race, Religion Faith or Belief, Disability, Age, Sexual Orientation, Age, Gender Re-assignment, Marriage and Civil Partnership and Pregnancy and Maternity (the Protected Characteristics).
- 3. This accessibility plan will be reviewed every 3 years.

3. Objectives

- 1. The key objectives of The Prescot School's accessibility plan is to reduce and eliminate any barriers to access the curriculum and to full participation in The Prescot School community for current pupils and prospective pupils with a disability and to help provide a safe, caring and friendly environment for all members of The Prescot School. In particular, this Accessibility Plan sets out the proposals of how The Prescot School intends to increase access to education for pupils with disabilities in three key areas, as follows:
- 1. promoting opportunities for pupils with disabilities to participate in The Prescot School curriculum;
- 2. developing the physical environment of The Prescot School to ensure that pupils with disabilities can take advantage of education and associated services; and,
- 3. ensuring that information is provided in the appropriate formats for pupils with disabilities, staff, parents and visitors so that they are not disadvantaged.

1. Improving Access to the Curriculum

Actions / Targets	<u>Strategies</u>	<u>Outcome</u>	<u>Timeframe</u>	Responsibility	<u>Monitoring</u>
Ensure that the Accessibility Plan becomes an annual agenda item for Governors	Governors to add to agenda.	Adherence to legislation.	Annual	Clerk to Governors	Principal/ Chair of Governors
Improve employee awareness of disability issues	Identify pupils with a EHCPs and ensure that SEN information available to all employees.	Whole School community aware of issues as appropriate.	Ongoing	SENCO	Principal
	Review employee training needs and provide training for employees as appropriate.				
Annual review of curriculum to ensure that	Regularly review SEN provision.	All pupils regardless of SEN or disability have full access	Ongoing	SENCO	Principal

needs of pupils

to the curriculum

are met

and feel included.

Ensure that

support is

Assess the needs Wider ranges of Ongoing

SENCO

Principal

external agency of all pupils and

contact external used.

identified and agencies as delivered for all necessary.

pupils in need

Pupils with

identified needs

teaching styles

have access to additional

resources to

support

learning.

Provide

Assess the needs Pupils will be

Ongoing SENCO Principal

specialist

of pupils in each able to develop

equipment to

class and provide independent

promote

specialist

learning skills.

participation in equipment as

learning by all needed.

pupils

Continue to

SENCO to review Employees are

Ongoing

SENCO

Principal

train employees to the needs of

able to enable all

pupils and

children to

enable them to provide training to access the

meet the needs employees as

curriculum.

of children with needed.

a range of SEN

Sustained

Employees progress made dealing with by all pupils.

vulnerable groups

undertake the appropriate training from external agencies as necessary.

All employees have access to pupil SEN information to understand how they can provide assistance generally.

Ensure that extra training is readily available on request.

Ensure that all Review provision All providers will Ongoing SENCO Principal

comply with

legislation to

pupils are able to comply with **to access extra-**legislation.

to access extra-legislation.
curricular

activities

ensure that needs of all Provide the children are

necessary

training to employees.

More

met.

opportunities

Ensure that there available for is sufficient pupils with support staff to disabilities.

assist the pupils with disabilities.

Promote the	Train relevant	Greater	Ongoing	SENCO	Principal
involvement of	employees.	involvement and			
pupils with		participation by			
disabilities in		pupils with			
classroom	Create positive	disabilities.			
activities	images of				
	disability within				
	the Heath School				
	so that pupils				
	have some				
	understanding of				
	the needs of				
	pupils with				
	disabilities.				
	Use specialist				
	equipment.				
Provide	Supervised safe	Improved	Ongoing	SENCO	Principal
activities for	space with	confidence,			
pupils with	activities for	attendance, self-			
disabilities at	pupils with	esteem and			
break and	disabilities.	social			

interaction.

lunch times

2. Improving Access to the Physical Environment

Actions / Targets	Strategies	Outcome	Timefra me	Responsib	il Monitoring
Ensure all	Undertake	Modifications made to	Annual	Principal	Director of
pupils/parents/vis	and audit	Heath School building to			Infrastruct
itors can access	of the	improve access.			ure
all areas of The	accessibili				
Prescot School	ty of Heath School buildings and				
	grounds. Suggest actions and implement as budget allows.	All disabled parents and			
	Ramps and lifts available at relevant points to ensure access to all parts of the site, regardless of disability.				

Include

questions

in the

Heath

School

surveys

about

pupil/pare

nt access

needs.

Utilise

disabled

parking

spaces for

disabled to

drop off

and collect

children.

Ensure classrooms optimally organised for pupils with disabilities

Obtain Pupils with disabilities able Ongoing SENCO guidance to access learning

from environment more

specialists effectively.

(hearing

impaired

service,

autism

service,

speech &

language,

education

al

psycholog

y, family

support

etc).

Principal

Improve signage	Undertake	Signs clear and updated as Annual	Principal	Director of
of evacuation	audit of	required.		Infrastruct
procedures,	current			ure
internet safety	signage.			
and fire drills.	Obtain feedback from employees , pupils and visitors.	Visually impaired employees/pupils/parents/ visitors able to read and follow instructions on signage.		
	Emergency evacuation systems to include alarms with both visual and auditory componen			

3. Improving Provision of Information to ensure that all pupils have equal access to Heath School information

Actions / **Targets**

ts.

Outcome

Timeframe Responsibility Monitoring

Strategies

Ensure the Heath Increased Director of **Improve** Annual Principal communication School website is variety of Infrastructure s with pupils clear, simple and information with disabilities easy to navigate. available and increased choices of how Obtain feedback to access from pupils, information. employees, parents and visitors. Improved communicatio n with pupils with disabilities.

Ensure that all Improve the Director of Improved Ongoing Principal parents and availability of access to Infrastructure other members documents being information. of the The provided in **Prescot School** alternative community can formats (e.g. large access print, braille, information simplified/reduce d language and audio format).

> Ensure the Heath School website is clear, simple and easy to navigate.

Ensure that Employees to hold Parents are Ongoing Teachers

parents who are parents' evenings informed of
unable to attend by phone or send child's

The Prescot home written progress.

School because information as
of a disability appropriate.

can access
parents' evening
information.

Principal