

IKB Academy Accessibility Plan

For review by the Principal, bi-annually Approved by SLT

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Academy Access Plan 2022/24: How we intend to improve access progressively over time.

School's Commitment to disability equality

The Equality Act 2010 identifies 'discrimination arising from a disability' and this means that a disabled person has been treated less favourably because of something connected with their disability. Through making 'reasonable adjustments' we aim to ensure that a disabled individual has the same access to everything that is involved in school life as a non-disabled individual, as far as is reasonable. Our Accessibility Plan outlines how we intend to make reasonable adjustments to improve access to the curriculum, information and the physical environment.

Access to the physical environment

| Action | Strategy | Timescale | Responsibility | Success criteria |
|---|--|-----------------------------|--|--|
| For any new building work - | All contractors to work to South Glos | On going | Academy Business | All works supported by school surveyor and in-line |
| plan for access requirements | Council Environment Access Standards | | Manager / Contractor | with regulations in the Equality Act 2010 |
| Investigate quality and | Continued liaison with outside | On going | Academy Business | On-going use of facilities, any reasonable |
| appropriateness of disabled | agencies to ensure disabled facilities | | Manager / SENCo | adjustments considered and implemented. |
| facilities | fit current needs. | | | |
| School is aware of the access needs of parents/carers including EAL | All new starter forms to include information regarding access needs eg the need for large print in correspondence or in other languages. | Sept 19 for new starters | Office Staff / SENCo | On-going dialogue between parents and carers Appropriate support in place. |
| | Audit accessibility for parents / carers for day to day routines and for one-off events. | On-going | Academy Business Manager / Office Staff / Event Co-ordinator | |
| To make the school more accessible for the visually impaired | Review signs with symbols, review size of type on visuals in reception area through H&S audits | On-going | Health & Safety Team / Site Team / Reprographics | On-going dialogue between parents and carers. Appropriate adjustments made as found. |
| To make the school more accessible for EAL parents. | Review signs with symbols, welcome sign in different languages and formats. | On-going | Inclusion Lead | On-going dialogue with parents and carers. Signs in place. |

Access to the curriculum

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| School visits and work | Audit of visits and work placements in | On-going | Trip Lead Teacher / SLT | All risk assessments completed. |
| placements accessible to all | terms of accessibility | | | |
| children | | | Trip Lead Teacher / SENCo | Reasonable adjustments made to ensure access to |
| | Staff to check with SENCo as part of | | / Key Worker / Tutor | work placement and visits. |
| | the trip/work placement checklist. | | | |
| | Individual Risk Assessments | | | Parents involved in individual risk assessments. |
| | completed as required. | | | |
| Ensure PE activities are | Liaise with outside agencies for any | Ongoing | PE Team Leader / Academy | PE curriculum adapted to meet needs of all |
| accessible by all, include | students requiring adaptations. | | Business Manager / SLT | children. |
| activities that do not need | | | | |
| physical strength | | | | Appropriate individualised resources available. |
| Review SEND list three times | Audit SEND list and Thrive children, | On-going | SENCo / Key Workers / | All SEND children make progress. |
| a year to ensure needs are | review strategies that are in place and | | Tutors | |
| covered. | revise as appropriate. | | | |

Access to information

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| Develop use of visuals around | Ensure students use a visual timetable | | SENCo / All Staff / | Visuals used by all stakeholders |
| school. | where required | | Reprographics | |
| | Staff photos in vestibule area | | | |
| Improve accessibility of | Review signs with symbols, welcome | | Academy Business | Magazine racks with appropriate and up-to-date |
| information in reception area. | sign in different languages and | | Manager / Admin Staff | information. |
| | formats. | | | Signs in place. |