## **Accessibility Plan**



## **Improving Physical Access**

| Targets   | Strategies   | Timescale  | Responsibility | Success Criteria  |
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| Access: To be aware of the access needs of all students/children, staff,  | Gather data around access<br>needs at the point when a child<br>begins at the academy  | Annually or as required  | DF/JN          | Individual, relevant and current information is gathered and shared as required so that all needs |
| governors and parents/carers  | Create access plans for individuals as required  | As required  | DF/JN          | are met.  |
| Ensure all staff & governors<br>and other volunteers /<br>visitors to the academy are<br>aware of access issues | Annual reminder to parents, carers through communication to let us know if they have problems with access to areas of the academy. | September (annually)   | NP             |   |
|   | Include the accessibility plan as part of induction  | As required  | SLT            |   |
| Ensure everyone has access  | Ensure that nothing is preventing access for all   | Daily check to ensure<br>the entrance area is<br>clear of obstructions | NP             | All visitors feel welcome.  |
| Maintain safe access for all  | Check exterior lighting is working on a regular basis  | Ongoing checks -<br>monthly  | NP             | Everyone feels safe and can gain access safely into the school grounds                            |

| Exits: Ensure all disabled or impaired people can be safely evacuated  | Ensure there is a personal emergency evacuation plan for all disabled pupils.   | As required             | DF/JN/NP | All students and staff<br>working with them are<br>safe   |
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| Ensure that the academy passes its Fire Safety Audit including training for staff up to date, equipment checks are regular and defect equipment is replaced. | Ensure staff are fully trained and aware of their duties.   | ongoing                 | RH/NP    | All personnel and students have safe independent exits from academy   |
| Ensure that the building is accessible and compliant in line with the Equality Act as far as is reasonable   | Ensure that any building or<br>maintenance works ensure full<br>compliance with the Equality<br>Act in relation to access e.g.<br>ramps, toilet etc | As works are undertaken | RH/NP    | That the building is fully accessible and easily travelled by all staff, students, parents/carers, visitors |

## Improve Access to Information

| Targets   | Strategies   | Timescale    | Responsibility | Success Criteria  |
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| Website is compliant with statutory regulations                     | Annual Website audit undertaken  | Annual check | RH             | Compliant website   |
| To improve awareness of alternative formats for sharing information | Using a variety of formats for communication, including text, email, student-post. Ensure all parents/carers are aware that the academy can provide communication in large text, via telephone/meetings to meet needs.  Check that correspondence sent home is accessible in relation to reading ability language etc. | Ongoing      | DF/JN/NP       | All parents/carers become<br>aware of alternatives<br>available and how these<br>can be accessed            |
| Ensure information in all SEN reviews is accessible to all parties  | Provide a choice of formats for<br>student's parents/carers to<br>provide views on reviews   | Ongoing      | JN             | Parents/carers have choices about how they are communicated with and how they provide their points of view. |

## Improve Access to the Curriculum

| Targets  | Strategies   | Timescale                               | Responsibility | Success Criteria   |
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| Curriculum adjustments ensure fair access for all.   | Consider the needs of all students in the academy when planning lessons and adjust resources accordingly such as text size, paper colour, writing equipment, classroom position etc.  - With consideration for those children with general and specific learning difficulties  Ensure all staff have access to the inclusion data of students for who they teach to ensure they can plan and deliver to meet their needs | As required in response to student need | All staff      | All students access fully the curriculum provided Structured conversations as appropriate with parents/carers. |
| Ensure teaching and learning methods and environment support children with speech impairment | Promotion of an ethos of inclusion, acceptance and understanding. Demonstration of patience and support. Specific programme as required through liaison with Speech and Language Therapy Team.   | As required in response to student need | All Staff      | Progress confirmed by observations and formal assessment   |

| Ensure teaching and learning methods and environment support children with hearing impairment                                  | Quiet classrooms, child facing the teacher, clear enunciation, and AT support as required.   | As required in response to student need           | All Staff | Progress confirmed by observations and formal assessment        |
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| Ensure teaching and learning methods and environment support children with visual impairment                                   | Child faces board, glasses worn. Modified print.   | As required in response to student need           | All Staff | Progress confirmed by observations and formal assessment        |
| Ensure teaching and learning methods and environment support children with impaired mobility including wheelchair users.       | Support in the Classroom environment, corridors unobstructed pathways and clear of hazards. Doorways wide for wheelchair use, ramps as required. Walking rule in academy. Early exit from classes. | AT support as required                            | All Staff | Children are able to access all activities.                     |
| Ensure teaching and learning methods and environment support children with emotional and behavioural difficulties              | Layout of classroom, time out, clear targets, clear behavioural expectations.  | AT as required.                                   | All Staff | Progress confirmed by teacher assessment and achieving targets. |
| Ensure teaching and learning methods and environment support children with diagnosed medical conditions e.g. asthma, allergies | Accessibility of medication. Awareness of staff when planning Art, PE, Food Tech and Science activities.   | Awareness for the subject specific lessons and PE | All Staff | Children able to access the activities.                         |

| To improve literacy and numeracy levels of students achieving below age expectations | Identify students who require additional support through Wrat YARC and teacher assessments. Provide appropriate interventions.                | ongoing                            | DF    | Enhanced student progress shown in termly assessment              |
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| Ensure all students can access public examinations and statutory assessments         | Access arrangements in place<br>for all students who require<br>and are eligible for support,<br>including, readers, separate<br>rooming etc. | For all exam/<br>assessment series | DF/NP | All students can fully access all exams and statutory assessments |