

## Barcombe Hamsey Plumpton Skylark Federation

# ACCESSIBILITY PLAN 2018-2021

## PLUMPTON

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#### **SKYLARK FEDERATION**

#### PLUMPTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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We are committed to providing a fully accessible environment which values and includes all pupils, staff, parents and visitors regardless of their education, physical, sensory, social, spiritual, emotional and cultural needs. We are committed to challenging negative attitudes about disability and accessibility, and to developing a culture of awareness, tolerance and inclusion.

Our Accessibility Plan will contain relevant actions to:

- Improve access to the **physical environment** of the school, adding specialist facilities as necessary (and where/when possible). This covers improvements to the physical environment of the school and physical, aids to access education.
- Increase access to the **curriculum** for pupils with a disability, expanding the curriculum as necessary to ensure that pupils with a disability are as prepared for life as the able-bodied pupils. This covers teaching and learning, and the wider curriculum of the school such as participation in after-school clubs, leisure opportunities, cultural activities and school visits. It also covers the provision of specialist aids and equipment which may assist these pupils in accessing the curriculum.
- Improve the delivery of **information** to pupils, staff, parents and visitors (including those with disabilities). Information should be made available in various preferred formats within a reasonable timeframe.

We gather information about any disability or health condition in early communications with parents and carers of children who are new to the school. For parents and carers of children already at the school, we ask them to keep us informed of any changes to the information they have provided.

#### **Action Plan**

#### Aim 1-To increase accessibility to the school curriculum

Our key objective is to reduce and eliminate barriers to access to the curriculum and to ensure full participation in the school community for pupils, and prospective pupils, with a disability, medical condition or other access needs. Provision may include: liaison with specialists; CDP for staff; a differentiated curriculum; specialist resources to support learning and access to the curriculum; a range of support staff (including trained Teaching Assistants) and access arrangements in place for statutory testing.

| Targets  | Strategies  | Timescale                          | Responsibilities               | Success Criteria   |
|--|---|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| To liaise with pre-<br>school providers to<br>prepare for the new<br>intake of children into<br>EYFS each year.                            | To identify pupils who<br>may need adapted<br>or additional<br>provision.   | Term 5 and Term 6 annually.        | EYFS teachers; EHT;<br>SENCO.  | Provision set in place<br>for when children<br>start school.   |
| To liaise with<br>educational<br>establishments to<br>prepare for the intake<br>of new children who<br>transfer within the<br>school year. | To identify pupils who<br>may need adapted<br>or additional<br>provision.   | Ongoing, as the need arises.       | Class Teachers; EHT;<br>SENCO. | Provision set in place<br>for when children<br>start school.   |
| To ensure all class-<br>based staff are<br>trained to support<br>pupils with ASD,<br>ADHD, Dyslexia and<br>Dyspraxia.                      | Training for all new<br>members of class-<br>based staff. Updates<br>and rolling<br>programme of<br>training for all staff. | On-going programme<br>of training. | SENCO.                         | Staff meeting time<br>and support staff<br>meeting time is<br>planned to include<br>training to enhance<br>provision for pupils. |
| To ensure staff are<br>aware of, and able to   | Ensure all site licences<br>are up to date.   | On-going                           | SENCO; Class<br>Teachers; SBM. | Use of IT equipment<br>and software  |

| access, SEN software<br>and resources.  | Evaluate use of<br>IPADS/tablets,<br>ensuring appropriate<br>apps are being used<br>and are kept up to<br>date.  |          |  | supports the progress<br>of vulnerable pupils.   |
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| To include pupils with<br>a disability, medical<br>condition or other<br>access needs as fully<br>as possible in the<br>wider curriculum<br>including trips and<br>residential visits as<br>well as extra-<br>curricular provision. | Create personalized<br>risk assessments and<br>access plans for<br>individual children.<br>Liaise with external<br>agencies, identifying<br>training needs and<br>implementing training<br>where needed.<br>Ensure that actions,<br>including emergency<br>evacuation<br>procedures are clear,<br>and that staff are<br>capable of carrying<br>them out. | On-going | SLT; SENCO; teaching<br>and support staff;<br>extra-curricular<br>service providers;<br>educational visit<br>settings. | Evidence that<br>appropriate<br>considerations and<br>reasonable<br>adjustments have<br>been made. |

Aim 2: To improve the physical environment of the school to increase the extent to which pupils with a disability, medical condition or other access needs can access education and associated services.

| Targets   | Strategies  | Timescale | Responsibilities  | Success Criteria   |
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| To improve the<br>physical school<br>environment<br>(including developing<br>the external<br>environment to<br>enhance pupils'<br>health and well-<br>being). | The school will take<br>account of the needs<br>of pupils with physical<br>difficulties and<br>sensory impairments<br>when planning and<br>undertaking future<br>improvements and<br>refurbishments of the<br>site and premises<br>(including access,<br>lighting and colour<br>schemes, clear<br>signage, and more<br>accessible fittings.<br>Consideration to be<br>given to developing<br>aspects of the<br>outdoor areas. | On-going  | SLT; SBM; SENCO.<br>Pupil voice via Pupil<br>Governors for the<br>outside area. | Evidence that<br>appropriate<br>considerations have<br>been made wherever<br>physical school<br>improvements are<br>undertaken.      |
| Some communal and<br>teaching areas are<br>'clutter-free' to<br>facilitate easy<br>movement around<br>the school.   | Plumpton's internal<br>space has multi-use;<br>safe and comfortable<br>movement around<br>the site is paramount.  | On-going  | SLT; SENCO; all<br>teaching staff;<br>caretaker.                                | Safe movement<br>around the site for all.<br>As full as possible<br>inclusion for all pupils.<br>Safe evacuation in an<br>emergency. |

| Targets  | Strategies   | Timescale | Responsibilities                                   | Success Criteria   |
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| To facilitate improved<br>access to written<br>information for pupils,<br>parents and visitors.  | Create and offer<br>information in<br>alternative formats.<br>Access arrangements<br>are considered and<br>put into place.   | On-going  | SLT; Class Teachers;<br>School Secretary;<br>SENCO | Evidence that<br>appropriate<br>considerations and<br>reasonable<br>adjustments have<br>been made.   |
| To ensure that visual<br>timetables and<br>information,<br>supported by signs<br>and symbols, are<br>available for targeted<br>pupils.   | Create and offer<br>visual information that<br>does not rely on text.<br>Update as required.<br>Ensure all staff<br>promote the use of<br>visual learning<br>supports. | On-going  | Class Teachers;<br>SENCO                           | Children can access<br>information<br>comfortably due to<br>use of visual signs and<br>symbols.  |
| To ensure that<br>reasonable<br>adjustments are<br>made for parents with<br>a disability, medical<br>condition or other<br>access needs so that<br>they can support,<br>fully, their child's<br>education. | Adopt a positive<br>approach to<br>identifying the access<br>requirements of<br>parents and make<br>reasonable<br>adjustments where<br>possible.                       | On-going  | Whole school team                                  | Evidence that<br>appropriate<br>considerations and<br>reasonable<br>adjustments have<br>been made; parents<br>can support, fully,<br>their children in their<br>education. |

### Aim 3: To improve the delivery of information to pupils, staff, parents/carers and other members of the school community