

St Anne's Catholic School and Sixth Form College

Accessibility Plan 2015 - 2018

This policy was approved by the Governors on: 9th November 2015

The plan sets out proposals of the Governing Body to increase access to education for pupils with disabilities. This focuses on:

- Increasing participation in the curriculum
- Enhancing the schools physical environment
- Enhancing communication

As a Catholic School we aim to 'create an atmosphere in which all members of the community respect one another and know they are valued' and seek to enable individuals to develop their spiritual, personal, social and academic potential.

The School has fulfilled its commitment in meeting the requirements of the SEN and Disability Act (2001) by collecting information from its stakeholders which has informed the Single Equality Scheme for 2015 – 2018

Main Priorities

The school sets out to increase the extent to which disabled pupils can participate in the life of the school and to ensure appropriate audits of the curriculum, physical environment and out of school activities. We aim to provide services that are guaranteed to make a difference and are value for money:

- Access to the curriculum requires development of staff expertise and ensuring specialist support is accessed.
- The school will continue to review its premises to ensure any improvements to the physical environment.
- Enhance communication through a variety of media to ensure accessibility of information. Support will be sought from voluntary agencies and charities for alternative forms of communications if required.
- The school will adhere to advice given in the Department for Education Supporting pupils at school with Medical conditions (April 2014)
- Individual Health Care plans will be written for pupils with the support of the school nurse.
- Education, Health and Care Plans replace statements for SEN pupils.
 The SENCO will ensure these are reviewed annually with regard to accessibility.

The Accessibility plan will be incorporated in the Single Equality Scheme. This will be monitored and reported to the Governors annually.