

MAGDALEN COLLEGE SCHOOL

ACCESSIBILITY PLAN ACCESS TO THE SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND THE CURRICULUM

Statutory document – Annual Review

GOVERNORS' FINANCE/RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Date next due for review by committee	Reviewed by committee	Any Changes YES/NO	Approved by Full Governors
Revised Plan	22 October 2013	Yes	10 December 2013
October 2014	11 November 14	No	n/a
23 June 2015	23 June 2015	Yes (minor)	n/a
June 2016	21 June 2016	No	n/a
June 2017			

The Vision

Magdalen College School believes education and learning should provide all users of the school buildings with the opportunities to help them achieve their full potential and social inclusion.

We are committed to improving the physical access to the school buildings and the curriculum as well as promoting full social inclusion for families living within the community which the school serves.

This document is a statement of these principles and the planning and improvement priorities that are essential to become a fully inclusive school.

Introduction

Increased choice for disabled learners will be of great benefit to all the learners in the school. The inclusive environment created in the school will reflect the diversity of our society as a real and implicit value statement. Improved accessibility will be for all school users. Fuller participation and success in education for disabled students will improve their social inclusion and, of course, benefit society in general. The school aims to achieve a situation where all disabled students can participate equally.

Guiding principles

1. Our learners have an equal right to a lifetime of learning that supports and promotes their social inclusion.
2. They are entitled to enjoy choices and opportunities in learning that enable them to achieve their full potential.
3. They should have access to the full range of learning opportunities in a welcoming, supportive and inclusive school.
4. The learners should feel confident that their contribution and achievements are recognised and valued.
5. They should not encounter discrimination or disadvantage in the school.
6. The school's curriculum will positively promote equality and cultural diversity.

Aims

1. Teaching and learning at Magdalen College School must fully promote and support the social inclusion of disabled learners, their family and staff - allowing them to undertake shared activities.
2. Access to high quality education and learning opportunities will enable disabled learners to discover and realise their true potential. They will be equipped with the skills and knowledge to deal with the world and actively take part in society, the job market and improve their economic prospects.
3. Disabled learners must have an equal opportunity to enjoy the value and benefit of education and learning to play a full part in society.
4. As a school we must promote equal opportunities. Forming constructive alliances and partnerships with disabled users and their organisations and education partners is essential.

5. The physical environment where education is delivered should be accessible to disabled people. To make choices easier for students and employees, the accessibility of the physical environment must not discriminate against any single user or group(s) of users.

TARGETS	STRATEGY	TIME SCALE	COST	SUCCESS CRITERIA
To anticipate the learning needs of the disabled student (e.g. hearing impairment, visual impairment, wheelchair access)	To anticipate the needs of all students (and their parents) through liaison with feeder primary schools and other agencies To provide opportunities for parents to provide information to the school to enable appropriate preparations are in place.	Annually	Notional costs associated with School literature and staff time to investigate and review access needs	Current and known prospective students' access needs are known.
To undertake an audit of the School site regarding physical access	To ensure pathways around the schools sites are in a good state of repair and enable full access to the playground (fire assembly point) and external routes to classrooms, student support areas and disabled toilets	Half termly checks on pathway condition and access routes to ensure acceptable condition.	Repairs and maintenance funding as necessary.	Wheelchair access to all areas of the school on both sites, where practical, including the Reception and Student Reception Students feel welcomed and can access all areas they require.
To ensure transport, parking and access for the disabled is appropriate	To ensure that designated parking spaces are adhered to by raising staff awareness as appropriate and safe parking requirements.	On going	Repairs and maintenance funding as necessary for line marking. Notional staff time to raise awareness to all staff / visitors on site	Improved access to the School building at strategic points Students and parents with wheelchairs are dropped off in front of main entrance
To ensure all students have access to the curriculum and enrichment opportunities	Risk assessments will ensure that all students have equal access. Review curriculum / learner support facilities to ensure access	Annually	Any additional costs may need to be budgeted for if areas of the curriculum need relocating.	No student is disadvantaged
To ensure that the school's policies address the needs of disabled students where appropriate	Disability, SEN & Inclusion Policy and accessibility plan 4	Annually	Notional costs for staff training Staff TLR costs	Updated policy statement and competent, well-trained staff
To ensure that the School	Catering Manager to take note of dietary needs of new	Information to be	Any additional	Increased take up of sales of

