







## **INCLUSIVE LEARNING FEDERATION**

# Bradwell Village School Priory Common School Romans Field School

# **Policy**

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## 1. School context

School	Context
Romans Field School	Romans Field School is a school for children aged 5 to 11, whose primary need is SEMH (social, emotional, mental health). We also have children with significant complex needs who follow a bespoke Romans Field curriculum. In September 2021, our PAN (Pupil Admission Number) increased to 66. At the point of referral many pupils have additional, associated and sometimes complex needs, which may include ADHD (Attention Deficit and Hyperactivity Disorder); ADD (Attention Deficit Disorder); ODD (Oppositional Defiant Disorder); Tourettes; Mental Health Difficulties; Language and Learning difficulties; Asperger's Syndrome or are on the Autistic Spectrum.
	Romans Field School serves the wider Milton Keynes area and also educates children from Northamptonshire, Luton, Buckinghamshire, Bedford, and Bedfordshire. See our admissions page for more detail. Due to the diversity of the population of Milton Keynes and the catchment areas of the school, Romans field School has a high proportion of Pupil Premium children and has children with English as an Additional Language on their roll.
	Romans Field School is part of the Inclusive Learning Federation which is unique within the Milton Keynes area, made up of a special school, and two mainstream primary schools, the staff work closely together to benefit all the children.
Priory Common School	Priory Common School is a small infant school for 4–7-year-olds. It is a school for boys and girls and serves a mixed catchment area within Milton Keynes. Most of our children live either in Bradwell Village or Heelands but we also take a number of children from Bancroft and Bradville. In total, our children join us from 14 different areas of Milton Keynes. Within the two main estates there are pockets of deprivation as well as middle income homeowners; consequently, our intake is composed of a wide socio-economic and multi-cultural mix. As an established area of Milton Keynes, the school has experienced a drop in pupil numbers as the new housing estates are attracting families and therefore in-year mobility has increased. Some children are placed at

	Priory Common School whilst awaiting a place at another school which is closer to their home. Due to the diverse mix within Milton Keynes, these pupils are often newly arrived in the UK or removals in from other local authorities.
Bradwell Village School	BVS serves a mixed catchment area within Milton Keynes. Over the years, the areas surrounding the original Bradwell Village have developed to encompass the newer Bradwell Village and Heelands grid squares. Within these two estates there are pockets of deprivation as well as middle income homeowners. Consequently, our intake is composed of a wide socio-economic and multi-cultural mix.

### 2. Aims

Schools are required under the Equality Act 2010 to have an accessibility plan. The purpose of the plan is to:

- Increase the extent to which disabled pupils can participate in the curriculum
- Improve the physical environment of the school to enable disabled pupils to take better advantage of education, benefits, facilities, and services provided
- Improve the availability of accessible information to disabled pupils

#### Our school aims:

- To deliver quality first teaching, with high expectations for all, that enables children to succeed, achieve their potential and develop the essential knowledge and skills for a happy and fulfilled life
- To treat all its children and families fairly and with respect. This involves providing access and opportunities for all children without discrimination of any kind
- To be inclusive in our provision and attempt to respond to, and respect, the diversity of the children's learning needs
- To continue our commitment to providing a fully accessible environment in our school and across the Federation which values and includes all pupils, staff, parents, carers, and visitors regardless of their age, education, physical, sensory, social, spiritual, emotional, and cultural needs
- To challenge negative attitudes about disability and accessibility and aim to develop a culture of awareness, tolerance, and inclusion
- To be at the heart of our locality by working in partnership with families and the wider community
- To be a learning community which fosters creativity, independence, and a passion for learning
- To provide an accessible, nurturing and stimulating environment that supports and celebrates learning
- For all members of the school community to model positive, respectful relationships

The plan will be made available online on the school website, and paper copies are available upon request.

Our school is also committed to ensuring staff are trained in equality issues with reference to the Equality Act 2010, including understanding disability issues.

The school supports any available partnerships to develop and implement the plan. Romans Field School works closely with the Federation to support both our children and those with additional needs in the Federation. We work closely with the LA SEND team to ensure that appropriate provision is provided for new children and where additional adaptations, or alternative curriculum may be required.

Our school's complaints procedure covers the accessibility plan. If you have any concerns relating to accessibility in school, the complaints procedure sets out the process for raising these concerns.

We have included a range of stakeholders in the development of this accessibility plan, including staff, governors, parents, and children.

## 3. Legislation and guidance

This document meets the requirements of <u>schedule 10 of the Equality Act 2010</u> and the Department for Education (DfE) guidance for schools on the Equality Act 2010.

The Equality Act 2010 defines an individual as disabled if they have a physical or mental impairment that has a 'substantial' and 'long-term' adverse effect on their ability to undertake normal day to day activities.

Under the <u>Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Code of Practice</u>, 'long-term' is defined as 'a year or more' and 'substantial' is defined as 'more than minor or trivial'. The definition includes sensory impairments such as those affecting sight or hearing, and long-term health conditions such as asthma, diabetes, epilepsy, and cancer.

Schools are required to make 'reasonable adjustments' for pupils with disabilities under the Equality Act 2010, to alleviate any substantial disadvantage that a disabled pupil faces in comparison with non-disabled pupils. This can include, for example, the provision of an auxiliary aid or adjustments to premises.

## 4. Definition of disability

A person has a disability if he/she has a physical or mental impairment that has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on his/her ability to carry out normal day- to-day activities.

## 5. Action plan

This action plan sets out the aims of our accessibility plan in accordance with the Equality Act 2010.

AIM	CURRENT GOOD PRACTICE Include established practice, and practice under development	OBJECTIVES State short, medium, and long- term objectives	ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DATE TO COMPLETE ACTIONS BY	SUCCESS CRITERIA
Increase access to the curriculum for pupils with a disability	<ul> <li>Curriculum is subject to ongoing review to ensure it meets the needs of all pupils</li> <li>Two alternative curriculum paths ways in place to support both children with SEMH and children with complex needs</li> <li>Curriculum is adaptive and differentiated to support the needs of all our children including additional adaptive resources when required</li> <li>We use resources tailored to the needs of pupils who require support to access the curriculum</li> <li>Curriculum progress is tracked for all pupils, including those with a disability</li> <li>Partnership work within the Federation</li> </ul>	Review and refine learning pathways to ensure they are appropriate for our current children  Review and refine curriculum offer for our Year 6 cohorts	Subject leaders/RF Lead to review their curriculum offer and see how it meets the needs of our current children — recommendations and adaptations to be made  Audit current curriculum Research project lead curriculum New curriculum planned to support Yr. 6	Yr. 6 teachers in collaboration with subject leaders and assessment lead	By end of Spring 2022 Planned and ready for September 2022	Curriculum Pathways meets the needs of our children and resources match the support needed  Audit completed Recommendations made  Curriculum in place
	Ongoing annual CPD on supporting children with aspects of SEN, EAL and medical conditions including differentiation/scaffolding/challenge when required.	Continue ongoing staff curriculum spotlights to support delivery of curriculum for all children	Curriculum spotlights planned as part of ongoing staff meetings	DHT – organise Subject Leaders - deliver	Ongoing	Staff increased confidence in delivering curriculum to all children

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		Review and amend assessment process to ensure progress is measurable for all children	Audit current assessment Recommendations made and implemented	Assessment lead with subject leader support	By Summer 2022	Assessment system in place which is fit for purpose and enables accurate recording of progress and attainment for all children
		Enhance opportunities for our children to work alongside mainstream peers, initially with in the Federation and then across other LA schools in our area	Children to be identified from across school who would benefit form a mainstream experience Links to be developed with range of	Pastoral team and class staff  SLT to approach schools	Ongoing  By end of Summer	Children identified and opportunities to work alongside mainstream peers established either here or in a partner school

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Increase access to the curriculum for pupils with a disability			mainstream settings Opportunities and activities in place for key children in mainstream setting or with mainstream peers here	Enrichment team	Ongoing	
		Develop Quadrant core curriculum subject leadership groups	Liaise with Quadrant heads to establish interested and set up initial meetings	HoS	End of Spring 2	Regular core subject lead meetings in place and attended
			Ongoing meetings established for core subjects	Core subject leads	Ongoing	Improved support in place for teachers following meetings
Improve and maintain access to the physical environment	Guidance and advice are provided to staff when children with new disabilities or SEN are resources are provided to support and meet needs	Improve access to the physical environment of the schools and to school activities.	Complete a school walkabout and audit access and environment	SLT/Governors/Site staff	By Summer 2022	Walkabout and audit completed with recommendations made – action plan/programme of improvements in place

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	Mobile ramps are available for use, when required  Main entrance has double automatic doors and additional doors can be opened wider to access key areas  Disabled parking spaces and toilet	Increase visual signage/information around the school	Complete a school walkabout and audit visual signage and information around the environment	Class staff/Site staff	End of Spring 2022	Increased signage and all children able to access information and school
Improve and maintain access to the physical environment	Facilities provided for children requiring toileting support Key areas of school have visual signs to support pre-verbal children and non-readers		Plan areas to add additional signage and information points around the school  New signage ordered and put in place	SLT/Site staff  Office staff and Site staff	End of Summer 2022	
		Review Fire Evacuation plan	Review plan with current cohorts	Fire Marshalls and Pastoral team	Annual (and after any new starters)	Current plan always takes account of current cohorts
Improve the delivery of information to pupils with a disability	Half-termly Newsletter provided to families  Website revamped and fully operational with a range of information available to families  Parent mail now in use to enable	Continue to make available school brochures, school documentation, school newsletters and other information for	Website updated regularly with key information and links for additional support	SLT/Office staff/Computer technicians	Ongoing with termly checks	Website up to date and information accessible
	effective sharing of information Visual signage and use of widget to share information	parents/careers in alternative languages and formats.	Research possibilities of translators/readers for website		End of Spring 2022	Recommendations made and next steps detailed

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	Adaptations to resources for children with Visual impairments when required		Research how to share video files on the school website and beginning to establish series of informative videos to share key information	SLT/Computer lead/ Computer technicians	End of summer 2022	Video link established and videos are beginning to be added
Improve the delivery of information to pupils with a		Review LA/EMASS offer on other available resources to support information sharing	Contact made and list of resources or support available to staff	EAL lead/Pastoral team	End of Summer 2022	Resource list in place and links for staff
disability		Children and parents are aware of developments within school	Produce simplified/visual parent/child friendly version of School improvement plans and other action plans	SLT/Office staff	Annually	Children and families have access to documentation in a user-friendly format

## 6. Monitoring arrangements

This document will be reviewed every **3** years but may be reviewed and updated more frequently if necessary and will be approved by the Governing Board and the Executive Headteacher.

Monitoring of the implementation and impact of the plan will take place through:

- monitoring classroom practice by carrying out lesson observations, learning walks and the scrutiny of work and planning
- analysing pupil tracking data and test results for individual pupils and for cohorts
- monitoring the school's self-evaluation
- monitoring the school improvement plan, which is the strategic plan for the school
- visits from LA personnel and Ofsted inspection arrangements
- formal and informal feedback from parents/carers, pupils, and staff

## 7. Links with other policies

This accessibility plan is linked to the following policies and documents:

- Risk assessment policy
- Safeguarding& Child Protection Policy
- · Health and Safety Policy
- Equality Information and Objectives (Public Sector Equality Duty) Statement for Publication
- Special Educational Needs & Disability (SEND) information report
- Supporting Pupils With Medical Conditions Policy
- Equality & Diversity Policy
- Curriculum Policy