

## **Accessibility Plan**

2021 - 2024

"Windmill Hill is committed to lifelong learning within a caring environment.

Together, we make a difference."

## **Definition of Disability:**

Disability is defined by the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (DDA):

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

Timescale	Targets	Strategies	Outcomes	People involved/ Responsibility	Actions and Reviews
Short term Completion – September 2021	To ensure that children with a disability transition effectively.	Meet with all feeder schools and discuss children who are transitioning with their transition lead and the Year 6 class teacher.  Class teachers will meet with previous class teachers and discuss	All children with a disability will have access to an appropriate, bespoke transition program to enable them to access the curriculum in their next year group.	AP DS	September 2021 - All staff met teachers in the year below them to discuss transition for children in their cohorts.
Medium term Completion – December 2022	To improve speech and language across the school.	Use WellComm to assess children's current speech and language.	For speech and language to be age appropriate for % of pupils to enable to access their year group's curriculum objectives.	All staff members.	March 2022 – WellComm interventions are happening consistently across the school. We have also appointment a speech and language therapist who will be working in school one day a week.
Long term Completion – August 2024	To help pupils to overcome anxiety and poor mental health as a barrier to accessing the curriculum.  (Covid-19 related)	Staff will be given a range of strategies to use within their classrooms to support their cohort's mental health.  PASS assessment.	For pupils to use the strategies that they have learned to aid and support their own anxiety and mental health so that it does not act as a barrier to their learning.	All staff members.	

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Medium term Completion – December 2021	To provide pupils with a safe space for times of high anxiety.	Sensory Room renovation.  Nurture Room renovation.  ELSA interventions.	All pupils understand that they can use the sensory room appropriately during times of high anxiety to balance their emotions so that they can return to class.	AP PN CB	September 2021 – Sensory complete. The room is used every day by children across the school as they require it. We have not put a timetable in place for the room as we are encouraging our children to use it as and when they need to.
Long term Completion – August 2024	The school is aware of the access needs of pupils, staff, governors, parents/carers and visitors with disabilities.	To create access plans for individual disabled pupils as part of the Support Plan process (when required).  All staff are aware of staff, governors and parents access needs and meet as appropriate.  Consider access needs during recruitment process.	To continuously develop the school grounds to suit the evolving needs of visitors and cohort.	AP PN	

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Short term Completion – October 2021	To ensure that all displays are accessible to all children.	All display lettering is visible to all children in the class.  Displays in the corridors are clear and uncluttered.	All pupils are able to use age-appropriate displays and signage to support their access to the building and curriculum.	All staff members	December 2021 – Displays in classrooms and corridors have been updated and are accessible for all.
Medium term Completion – January 2022	To enable all parents to access school communications with ease.	Class DoJo set up for all parents.  Parents asked to complete a short survey stating which line of communication suits them best.	Parents with specific needs will have access to appropriate lines of communication which are tailored to their needs.	All staff members	September 2022 – All parents are connected on Class Dojo (including new starters in EYFS).  October 2022 – Parents have been informed about changes to staff email addresses.
Long term Completion – August 2024	To promote continuity across key stages by following a whole school approach to displays.	All displays have clear themes throughout the schools.  Displays are visible throughout the school.	Children will be able to see clear links between current and future learning environments.	AP PN DS AMC	