

Todwick Primary School

ACCESSIBILITY PLAN

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Member of staff responsible: Head Teacher

School Governor: John Ibbotson

Introduction

The SEN and Disability Act 2001 extended the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (DDA) to cover education. Since September 2002, the Governing Body has had three key duties towards disabled students, under Part 4 of the DDA:

- not to treat disabled students less favourably for a reason related to their disability;
- to make reasonable adjustments for disabled students so that they are not at a substantial disadvantage;
- to plan to increase access to education for disabled students.

At Todwick Primary School we have a general duty to:

- promote equality of opportunity between disabled people and other people;
- eliminate discrimination;
- eliminate harassment related to a disability;
- promote positive attitudes towards disabled people;
- encourage participation by disabled people in public life;
- take steps to take account of disabled people's disabilities even where that involves treating disabled people more favourably than other people

It is a requirement that the school's accessibility plan is resourced, implemented and reviewed and revised as necessary.

Definition of Disability

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

"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."

Key Objective

To reduce and eliminate barriers to access to the curriculum and so lead to a full participation in the school community for students, prospective students, staff and visitors with a disability.

Our Aims

The school plans, over time, to increase the accessibility of provision for all students, staff and visitors to the school. The main priorities in the school's plan will be in the following areas:

Increasing the extent to which disabled students can participate in the school curriculum

- Improving the physical environment of the school to increase the extent to which disabled students can take advantage of education and associated services.
- Improving the delivery of information to disabled students, staff, parents and visitors for information that is provided in writing for students and adults who are not disabled.