

Accessibility Plan

- Old Hall School will comply with the Building Regulations and the Education (School Premises) Regulations 1999 (<http://www.legislation.gov.uk>) and should be physically accessible to disabled pupils.
- At Old Hall School the following procedures are in place to ensure that all pupils are able to access education:
- Regular reviews focussing on the extent to which disabled pupils can access the school curriculum;
- Regular reviews to improve the physical environment of the school so that the pupils and visitors with disabilities are able to use the premises with ease through purpose built accommodation.
- Two classes in the school are sound proofed and have non flicker lighting to support sensory needs of pupils.
- Disabled pupils can access education both in school and externally when on educational visits. Tail lifts are provided on minibuses in order that all pupils are included in educational visits.
- Access to written information is provided to disabled pupils by using Communicate in Print, MAKATON and PECs in school on a daily basis and for communicating with parents via the home /school diaries.
- Materials for learning are adapted in order to cater for individual needs including pupils with visual impairments (larger print), ear defenders for pupils with sensory needs.

The above measures for accessibility will be reviewed every year and all staff at Old Hall will work actively to anticipate the needs of disabled staff and pupils and will ensure the inclusion of all pupils by making reasonable adjustments.

The following will be considered when making decisions in relation to reasonable adjustments and whether they can be met:

We will consider the following in deciding when a reasonable adjustment request can be met;

- How effective the change will be in assisting the disabled person
- The practicability of the change
- The cost
- The availability of any financial support
- Any safety issues.

The Equality Act 2010 replaced all existing equality legislation, including the Disability Discrimination Act. The effect of the law is the same as in the past, meaning that “**schools** cannot unlawfully discriminate against pupils because of sex, race, disability, religion or belief and sexual orientation”