

# Cynllun Hygyrchedd Ysgol / School Accessibility Plan 2016 - 2019

Ysgol GWR Cilgerran

**Reviewed Annually** 



#### **Statement of Intent**

Article 23 (Children with disabilities): Children who have any kind of disability have the right to special care and support, as well as all the rights in the Convention, so that they can live full and independent lives.

With the children's' right to special care and support in mind, this plan is drawn up in accordance with the planning duty in the Disability Discrimination Act 1995, as amended by the SEN and Disability Act 2001 (SENDA)

It draws on the guidance set out in "Accessible Schools: Planning to increase access to schools for disabled pupils(DfES,2002) and " Planning to Increase Access to Schools for Disabled Pupils" (National Assembly for Wales Circular 15/2004)

At Ysgol GWR Cilgerran we strive to ensure that the culture and ethos of the school are such that, whatever the abilities and needs of members of the school community, everyone is equally valued and treat one another with respect. Pupils are provided with the opportunity to experience, understand and value diversity.

The main aim of this plan and policy is:

To reduce and eliminate barriers to access to the curriculum and to full
participation in the school community for pupils, and prospective pupils, with a
disability.

## **Definition of disability**

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

Disability Discrimination Act 2002

Physical or mental impairments can include sensory impairments (such as those affecting sight and hearing) and learning difficulties. The definition also covers certain medical conditions that have a long-term and substantial effect on pupil's everyday lives.

#### **Ysgol Cilgerran Accessibility Policy**

This Accessibility Plan has been drawn up in consultation with the Local Authority, pupils through the froum of the school council, parents, staff and governors (h&s committee) of the school and covers the period from 2016 to 2019

We are committed to providing a fully accessible environment which values and includes all pupils, staff, parents and visitors regardless of their education, physical, sensory, social, spiritual, emotional and cultural needs. We are committed to challenging negative attitudes about disability and accessibility and to developing a culture of awareness, tolerance and inclusion.

The School plans, over time, to increase the accessibility of provision for all pupils, staff and visitors to the school. The Accessibility Plan will contain relevant actions to:

- Improve access to the physical environment of the school, adding specialist
  facilities as necessary. This covers improvements to the physical environment of
  the school and physical aids to access education.
- Increase access to the curriculum for pupils with a disability, expanding the curriculum as necessary to ensure that pupils with a disability are as, equally, prepared for life as are the able-bodied pupils. This covers teaching and learning and the wider curriculum of the school such as participation in after- school clubs, leisure and cultural activities or school visits. It also covers the provision of specialist aids and equipment, which may assist these pupils in accessing the curriculum.
- Improve the delivery of written information to pupils, staff, parents and visitors with disabilities. Examples might include handouts, timetables, textbooks and information about the school and school events. The information should be made available in various preferred formats within a reasonable time frame.

Attached are Action Plans, relating to these key aspects of accessibility. These plans will be reviewed and adjusted on an annual basis by the Health and Safety Committee. New Plans will be drawn up every three years.

We acknowledge that there is a need for ongoing awareness raising and training for staff and governors in the matter of disability discrimination and the need to inform attitudes on this matter.

The Accessibility Plan should be read in conjunction with the following policies, strategies and documents:

- Curriculum
- Equal Opportunities and Diversity
- Staff Development
- Health & Safety (including off-site safety)
- Inclusion
- ALN
- Behaviour Management
- School Improvement Plan
- Asset Management Plan
- School Prospectus and Mission Statement
- Learning and Teaching Policy

The Action Plan for physical accessibility relates to the Access Audit of the School, which is undertaken regularly by the school. It may not be feasible to undertake some of the works during the life of this Accessibility Plan and therefore some items will roll forward into subsequent plans. However, the school will identify these works within this current Accessibility Plan. The audit will need to be revisited prior to the end of each three-year plan period in order to inform the development of the new Plan for the following period.

The school will work in partnership with the local education authority in developing and implementing this plan.

#### **Additional Information**

We endeavour to make our premises, curriculum and information accessible to all.

Our Accessibility Plan and Equal Opportunity Policy support our work in this aspect of school improvement.

Please let us know if there is anything we can do to improve our provision and try to inform us in advance of your visit if you have any special requirements.

We are able to provide:

- a member of staff to meet you on arrival and accompany you on your visit to our school
- a communicator/translator booked in advance of the visit for anyone who needs this service
- There are parking spaces provided on site but we will meet anyone who has difficulty
  walking long distances or wheelchair users at the school gate and accompany them into
  the school.

- a seat next to the aisle at school concerts and special events for anyone who needs 'extra space' or is a wheelchair user
- a disabled toilet with adapted hand wash facilities and plenty of space for moving about
- special dietary requirements can be catered for with advance notice
- Documents in a variety of languages provided by the translation service of Pembrokeshire Council.

We will try to make your visit as comfortable and enjoyable as possible.

As part of our overarching aim for pupils to fulfil their full potential across the curriculum we will endeavour to ensure that all children are given the necessary support to access learning in this area in line with our equal opportunity and disability scheme

# SCHOOL ACCESSIBILITY PLAN 2016 - 2019

SCHOOL: Ysgol GWR Cilgerran

**COMPLETED BY: G Richards** 

**DATE:** June 2016

# ACCESSIBILITY PLAN OUTCOME – PART A

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

1. Activities	2. Success Criteria	3. Responsibility	5. Cost £	6. Monitoring	7. Evaluation
What specific tasks do we plan to undertake to achieve our planned outcome?	How will we know whether we have achieved our target?	Who, Where		What evidence will be gathered? Who will collect it and how?	How effective is the action?
Short Term (1 Year)					
School / Classroom organisation					
New Cornerstones Curriculum in place (2015) – continue to monitor and review in partnership with pupils.	Pupil feedback / School council work scrutiny shows positive feedback on the curriculum	SMT	Cornerstones Curriculum already purchased	Work scrutiny Lesson observation	
Planning and differentiation of work to challenge the needs and ability of ALL learners	Planning shows emphasis on challenge and differentiation.	SMT and all teaching staff	£0	Scrutiny of teacher planning	
Promote teacher confidence in fully establishing dyslexia friendly classrooms	Dyslexia friendly strategies evident in classroom observations	ALNCo	Training and observing best practice £360 – 2 x supply cost	Learning walks	
Support for pupils	Advice implemented in	ALNCo	£0		

Seek advice and support from specialist teachers and other professionals when needed.	classrooms and through IEP				
ALNCo arranges programme of LSA training to increase expertise.	LSA's confident in implementing strategies	ALNCo	£0	Observation of intervention and classroom support	
Identification of pupils with additional needs					
SEN register of children to be updated regularly. Monitored, reviewed and adapted throughout year.	SEN register in place	ALNCo	£0		
Class register of pupils needs to be updated	Register in teachers files and updated regularly	Class teachers	£0		
Regular meetings with SEN team, headteacher and class teachers to evaluate progress	Impact on the learning of the individual pupil	ALNCo and class teachers	£0		
Healthcare needs					
Ensure health care plans are in place. List of children with medical needs available for all staff electronically to ease with record update. ALNCo to make sure Health Plans are drawn up	Healthcare plans are in place	ALNCo	£0	ALNCo file to contain plans	
School Excursions					
Headteacher to liaise with the LEA to secure appropriate transport for	Every pupil can access all curriculum excursions planned by the school	SMT	LEA cost for transport		

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wheelchair bound pupil –this will ensure					
that they can participate fully in all					
learning experiences		ALNCo and			
		class teachers			
Class teachers to involve ALNCo at					
early stage when planning class trips					
ALNCo and to look at each individual					
case.					
Seek specialist advice where necessary.					
Liaise with parent all through the		ALNCo	Supply cost		
process.		ALINCO	£180 / day		
			2100 / day		
Teachers and support staff receive					
appropriate training to ensure they have					
the skills and confidence to manage					
pupils' needs					
Medium Term (2 Years)					
Support for pupils					
		Head and	Supply for		
Continue to arrange meetings and	Parent feedback positive	reception class	reception class		
making pre-visits	regarding transition to school	teacher	teacher		
		toucher	£180/day		
ALNCOo to train LSA's to provide	LSA's to implement		£0		
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dyslexia support for individual children.	strategies from training				
Ensure that the correct use of multi	Learning environment is	SMT	£0		
visual areas challenges individuals' need	stimulating for the pupils				
– effective use of multivisual equipment.					
Long Term (3 Years)					

Support for Pupils				
Provide appropriate training to LASs to ensure they have skills base to meet	Upskilling of support staff reflect the needs of the	ALNCo and SMT	£0	
pupils needs. This is linked with the performance management of school	school that are identified in the self evaluation and			
staff.	closely linked to performance management			
	and SDP			
	Policies are current and reviewed	SMT and Governing Body	£0	
Review health and safety policies and systems				

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SCHOOL: Ysgol GWR Cilgerran

**COMPLETED BY: Mr G Richards** 

DATE: June 2016

## ACCESSIBILITY PLAN OUTCOME - PART B

Improving the physical environment of schools to increase the extent to which disabled people can take advantage of education and associated services in schools

1. Activities	2. Success Criteria	3. Responsibility	5. Cost £	6. Monitoring	7. Evaluation
What specific tasks do we plan to undertake to achieve our planned outcome?	How will we know whether we have achieved our target?	Who, Where		What evidence will be gathered? Who will collect it and how?	How effective is the action?
Short Term (1 Year)					
Incline to the main door to be addressed for the ease of wheelchair access by the installation of a path across the front lawn of the school.  The door to the breakfast club to be changed  Install new signage for the breakfast club	Path in place  New door to breakfast club and new signage	GR to liaise with the LA	Budget to be derived from the SLA	Evidence gathered from stakeholder engagement – questionnaires etc.	

Medium Term (2 Years)					
The school to take advice from the LA regarding installing shelter outside the main block in order to allow covered wheelchair access to the school hall.  Widen the door into the hall in order to aid wheelchair access  To install an intercom on the main school doors in order for wheelchair users to identify themselves to the school to gain access (the school to look at the cost of replacing the main doors with a door that has a push open button)	Access to wheelchair users to the main school hall in place  Front entrance of the school to be wheelchair access friendly	GR to seek advice from Alan Hunt	Costings to be done after consultati on with the LA – subject to finance committe e approval	Accessibility audit to show improvement in accessibility for wheelchair users	
As and when the need arises to replace internal doors, and then the school will install wheelchair access push buttons.  To develop a hard-core path to the school field to allow wheelchair access to the field	Access to the school field developed  All internal doors to have a push button access	Head teacher and GR	Costings to be gathered regarding the path to the school field.	Stakeholder engagement to show improved satisfaction with the accessibility inside the school	

# SCHOOL ACCESSIBILITY PLAN 2016 - 2019

SCHOOL: Ysgol GWR Cilgerran

**COMPLETED BY: G Richards** 

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## ACCESSIBILITY PLAN OUTCOME - PART C

Improving the delivery to disabled pupils of written information provided to pupils who are not disabled

1. Activities	2. Success Criteria	3. Responsibility	5. Cost £	6. Monitoring	7. Evaluation
What specific tasks do we plan to	How will we know	Who, Where		What evidence will be gathered?	How effective is the
undertake to achieve our planned	whether we have			Who will collect it and how?	action?
outcome?	achieved our target?				
Short Term (1 Year)					
Ascertain the need among parents/carers whether information is required in alternative formats	The needs of parents met and positive feedback to parent engagement	SMT	£0	Register of parents needs to be kept – subject to data safeguarding policy	
Ensure that all correspondence is available in email format in order for user to adjust font to suit needs	All information available in electronic format	SMT – Admin officer	£0	Parent email addresses to be gathered with pupil information at the beginning of the year	
Teacher's aware of which parents need verbal reminders		SMT – staff meeting	£0	Record kept in teacher files  Monitor impact via parent	
				engagement questionnaire	
Develop staff and pupil skills to ensure Website contains more relevant information and update information	Website is updated and current	School Council All Teaching staff	supply cost for link teacher to receive training (£180)	School Website current and interactive School council to monitor its impact	
All written information to be		SMT	Printing	Keep a register of parent language and format requirements.	

available in hardcopy and/or			costs		
electronic version in preferred					
language					
Medium Term (2 Years)					
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Notices would be placed at wheelchair	All notices at correct	SMT – LA building	SLA	County Accessibility officer to	
height where needed	level	maintenance	Agreemen	survey that the school complies	
			ts	with current legislation	
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Prospectus updated when required	Updated prospectus	SMT	£0		
A	Positive parent / carer	SMT – School admin	£0		
Ascertain the need among parents/carers whether information is	feedback	officer			
required in alternative formats					
Long Term (3 Years)					
	Positive parent / carer	SMT – School admin	£0		
Ascertain the need among parents/carers whether information is	feedback	officer	20		
required in alternative formats					
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