



Accessibility Plan (Ref 20MPTAPT)



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Box CE Primary School

History of most recent Policy changes



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Version	Date	Page	Change	Origin of Change
V1.0	01/09/2024	Whole Document	Template for Academy use created	Requirement to have an accessibility plan in place for each school within the Trust



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## 1 Introductory Statement

- 1.1 This Accessibility Plan (Plan) covers the period from September 2025 – July 2028 but will be reviewed on an annual basis. The plan is available in large print or other accessible formats if required.
- 1.2 The plan takes account of the school's public sector equality duty set out in section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 and should be read in conjunction with the Trust's Equality and Diversity Policy (which includes a written statement and objectives).
- 1.3 The Mosaic Partnership Trust and its schools are committed to providing an environment which values and includes all children, staff, parents and visitors regardless of their educational, physical, sensory, social, spiritual, emotional and cultural needs. We are further committed to challenging attitudes about disability and accessibility and to developing a culture of inclusion.

## 2 Background

### The school layout and facilities

- 2.1 The school is committed to making reasonable adjustments to allow disabled pupils to access educational provision.
- 2.2 Box Primary School is built on a hill and this is reflected in the old part of the school building which is built on different levels with stairs and steps to access different rooms.
- 2.3 There are steps leading up to the school's main entrance but it is possible to enter the school through the hall door which has no steps.
- 2.4 The Early Years Foundation Stage (reception) and Year 1 classroom is accessible to all children if you enter it from inside the school building. There is a step down from the classroom to the outside play area. There is a toilet in the classroom for the children.
- 2.5 Our Year 1 and 2 class is only accessible by going down two steps inside the building or up a flight of six stairs if entering the building from the playground. To access either the staff or children's toilets in this part of the school the short flight of steps needs to be used.
- 2.6 The three Key Stage 2 classes are accessible to all children and are wheelchair friendly. The front door by the hall or the double doors to the extension can be used to access the KS2 corridor. There is also a disabled toilet in this part of the school. From each of the KS2 classrooms children can access the playground either on foot or in a wheelchair. The playground is on a slope. The gradient of the playground is steeper than the recommended gradient for wheelchairs.
- 2.7 From the playground the school garden can be accessed on foot and by wheelchair users. The garden has paths that have been designed to be accessible for wheelchair users and are a series of gentle slopes.
- 2.8 We plan, over time, to increase the accessibility of provision for all children,



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staff and visitors to the school in the following areas:

- Access to the premises (physical environment)
- Access to the curriculum (learning and social)
- Access to information

2.9 In the sections below there are three action plans relating to the above. These will be reviewed as and when necessary. It is acknowledged that there will be a need for ongoing awareness training for all staff in relation to disability discrimination and accessibility.

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

- Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Statement
- Equality Information and Objectives Policy
- Health and Safety Policy
- SEND Policy

2.11 The Plan will be monitored through the Academy Community Council but also by the Trust Central Team. There will be a full review of the Plan in July 2025 in relation to progress against the objectives and then a further review in July 2026 and a final review in July 2027. The plan aims to be a live document so will be updated annually but with a new plan replacing this plan in September 2027. As the school joined the Mosaic Partnership Trust in the Summer of 2024, one of the key objectives in the context of 2.6 is for the Trust to gain an overview of accessibility and therefore there are some common targets for improvement trust wide.

2.12 Welcoming and preparing for disabled children is a really important part of the Mosaic Partnership Trust ethos and aligns with our focus on equality, diversity, inclusion and belonging. The following is an outline of how our schools' approach this. Where it is practicable to make reasonable adjustments to enable a prospective child to take up a place at the school and to satisfy the current admissions criteria, the school is committed to providing those reasonable adjustments. To meet the needs of disabled children, the school requires full information in relation to admitting a child. The school will ask prospective parents/carers of children to disclose whether their child has received any learning support, has an educational psychologist's report, or have any disability or other condition of which the school should be aware. Where a child has an Education, Health and Care (EHC) plan, the school will work with the relevant Local Authority (LA) who makes and maintains the EHC plan to ensure that the identified provision is delivered in an appropriate manner. In assessing the child or prospective child, the school may need to take advice and require assessments as appropriate. The school will be sensitive to any issues of confidentiality. In the context of staff from our recruitment processes through to day to day working within the Trust we are committed to equal opportunities and to make reasonable adjustments to support our employees. We are equally sensitive to any issues of confidentiality in the context of our staff.



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### 3.0 Access to premises (physical environment)

Aim	Targets for improvement	Actions	Lead staff	Timeframe	Milestones
<p>Improving the physical environment of the school to increase access to education by disabled children</p>	<p>School self-evaluation of current accessibility in the physical environment.</p>	<p>A self-assessment of accessibility will take place through the form of a survey commissioned by the Trust Estates and Operations Manager. This will then be used to inform the Trust Estates Strategic overview and will allow the Trust to work with the school to prioritise work in relation to accessibility alongside urgent works related to conditions and decarbonisation surveys.</p>	<p>Trust Estates and Operations Manager</p>	<p>Survey to take place in the Autumn Term 2024</p>	<p>Dec 24 School completes Trust Accessibility Survey</p>
			<p>Headteacher</p>	<p>The Trust will prioritise the work in terms of accessibility across the Trust Estate in the Spring and Summer Term 2025</p>	<p>Apr 25 Trust Estates and Operations Manager collates and presents findings</p>
			<p>SENCO SBM</p>		<p>Jul 25 Work prioritised for across the Trust Estate in conjunction with other urgent works.</p>



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	School based target as appropriate	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Repair and replace handrails in the school garden</li> <li>2. Replace classroom taps with single lever taps</li> <li>3. Consider the installation of a platform lift in the main building on the stairs leading down to the toilets</li> </ol>	<p>Headteacher SBM</p> <p>Consult with the Trust Estates and Operations Manager</p>	Timeframe for school	<p>Jul 2025</p> <p>As taps fail and need replacing</p> <p>July 2025</p>
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### 4.0 Access to the curriculum (learning and social)

Aim	Targets for improvement	Actions	Lead staff	Timeframe	Milestones
Increasing the extent to which disabled pupils can participate in the school curriculum	School self-evaluation of current accessibility in the context of the curriculum with areas such as Science, PE, DT and learning outside the classroom	<p>A self-assessment of accessibility will take place through the form of a survey commissioned by the Trust Estates and Operations Manager. This will then be used to inform and Accessibility overview and will allow the Trust to work with the school to prioritise potential training and support in this context.</p> <p>The Trust will engage with Wiltshire LOTC in</p>	Trust Estates and Operations Manager	Survey to take place in the Autumn Term 2024	Dec 24 School completes Trust Accessibility Survey
			Headteacher SENCO SBM EVC	<p>The Trust will look at subject areas where training and support may be required in the Spring/Summer Term 2025.</p> <p>The Trust will work with</p>	<p>Engagement from the Trust with Wiltshire LOTC re. training</p> <p>Apr 25 Trust Estates and Operations Manager collates and</p>



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		the context of training support for schools around ensuring trips and visits are accessible to those with a disability.		Wiltshire LOTC in the context of training and support from the Autumn Term 2024.	presents findings
					Jul 25 Implementation of training and support as appropriate.
	School based target as appropriate	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Purchase sensory ear defenders for children with a sensitivity to noise</li> <li>2. Ensure manipulatives are easily accessible and always available to support maths teaching</li> <li>3. Purchase books that are high interest, dyslexia friendly, short reads for children</li> <li>4. To purchase 'No Outsiders' and integrate it into the PSHE curriculum</li> </ol>	<p>Headteacher SBM</p> <p>Class teachers</p> <p>Reading subject leader</p> <p>Headteacher SBM PSHE subject leader</p>	Timeframe for school	<p>Dec 24</p> <p>Dec 24</p> <p>Dec 24</p> <p>March 25</p>



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Access to information

Aim	Targets for improvement	Actions	Lead staff	Timeframe	Milestones
Improving the access to information for pupils and staff with a disability	Schools through the Trust self-evaluation audit their accessibility in terms of information.	<p>A self-assessment of accessibility will take place through the form of a survey commissioned by the Trust Estates and Operations Manager. This will then be used to inform the Trust Accessibility overview and will allow the Trust to work with the school to look at the accessibility of information particularly for those that may have a disability and are also vulnerable/disadvantaged.</p> <p>Update information on school website (if appropriate) to provide links to partner organisations.</p> <p>Trust website will be updated to contain links to the relevant partner organisations</p>	Trust Estates and Operations Manager	Survey to take place in the Autumn Term 2024	Dec 24 School completes Trust Accessibility Survey
	Ensure all members of the community know about the relevant SEND support services provided by the Local Authority or neighbouring Local Authority where the school is cross border. This will include parent/carer organisation and SEND and You.		Headteacher	The Trust will look at how schools currently share information and the levels of accessibility and will provide support and guidance on improving as appropriate from Spring 2025	Apr 25 Trust Estates and Operations Manager collates and presents findings
			Trust Strategic Lead for Inclusion and SEND		Jul 25 Consistency of accessibility of information developed across the Trust
			SENCO		
			SBM		
			Trust Governance and Compliance Professional		