

# KITE RIDGE SCHOOL ACCESSIBILITY PLAN

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#### **POLICY STATEMENT**

The Equality Act 2010 (last updated in 2015) requires public bodies, including schools, to actively promote disability equality and to make reasonable adjustments for students and visitors with disabilities.

The Management Committee of Kite Ridge School is committed to providing an accessible environment which values and includes all pupils, staff, parents and visitors regardless of their education, physical, sensory, social, spiritual, emotional and cultural needs. The committee is committed to challenging negative attitude about disability and accessibility and to developing a culture of awareness, tolerance and inclusion.

## **Key Principles**

The school is committed to:

- Ensure the physical environment of the school is accessible to all students, staff and visitors. This includes adding specialist facilities as necessary as well as making reasonable adjustments to the physical environment and using physical aids to access education.
- Ensure access to the curriculum is equal for all students regardless of disability; expanding and making reasonable adjustments to individual curriculums as necessary.
- Improve and make reasonable adjustments to the delivery of written information to pupils, staff, parents and visitors with disabilities.

#### Physical planning

#### **Stairs**

The school is on one level and has no stairs, hence no stair lifts are needed. Where external access is on different levels, concrete ramps are in place.

## Lighting

Lighting should be sufficient for all current disabilities within the school community.

#### **Doors**

Major access doors are all wide enough to accommodate wheelchair users, and most doors in the school should be able to do the same.

#### **Corridors**

Corridors are generally wide enough to safely accommodate wheel chair users.

### **Toilet facilities**

Disabled toilet facilities are available in the school.

# **Travel arrangements**

Students are dropped off at school in the bays close to the front doors. Disabled visitors may use these car parking spaces or the car park to the side of the school which is located closer to the front door than the main car park.

# **Equipment**

Equipment will be sourced and purchased for each individual student's needs.