

## Birkby Infant & Nursery School

### School Accessibility Plan 2021 - 2024

#### **Part A: Improving the physical environment**

Provision and strategies already in place:

- \*Ramped access points to Nursery, Modular Building and main school building.
- \*Accessible play areas for all pupils, including designated outdoor play areas for Reception and Nursery.
- \*Wide entrance for wheelchair access in ball court area.
- \*Disabled/adapted toilets/shower/nappy changing facilities available.
- \*Accessible learning areas, including ground floor classrooms, refurbished library and ICT facilities.
- \*Blinds fitted to every classroom.
- \*Accessible inhaler storage bags in all classrooms.
- \*All external exit steps white-lined.
- \*Dark blinds fitted to Nursery.
- \*Access ramp fitted to playground gazebo.
- \*Internal steps leading to Year 2 classrooms white-lined.
- \*Provision of a designated sensory area for rest and restorative work, and development of early learning skills, for children with additional needs.
- \*Audit of school internal and external environment by Schools Mobility Officer (V I Team) and following actions completed:

Handrail in RN painted in a contrasting colour to the wall.

Edging stones running along the front of the benches in the garden area painted white.

Nursery railings painted a bright contrasting colour.

Ball shoot pole painted a bright contrasting colour.

Lighting in RN - fuses/bulbs removed from identified fittings to enhance contrast.

Small Hall toilets - highlight edges of sink area, hand dryer, soap dispenser, using contrasting colour.

Toilet roll dispensers, soap dispenser, toilet handles, toilet seats - replaced using a contrasting colour.

\*Dark blinds fitted to Large Hall.

\*Whole school V I training.

\*Bright footprint markers and white step-edging repainted on external steps leading into school.

\*Railings around playground steps and entrances re-painted using contrasting colours.

\*Disabled parking space in Car Park

\*Automatic lighting throughout school

\*Regular audits of classroom lighting conditions/window blinds/Interactive whiteboard backgrounds/carpet seating plans.

\*Soundfield system fitted to identified classrooms.

\*Staff voice coaching.

\*All gates opened at home times, to ease congestion, in response to parent Equality questionnaires.

**\*Playground Trim Trail installed**

Part A 2021 - 2024 (2021 - 2022)

<u>Objective</u>	<u>Priority rating</u>	<u>Action/By whom</u>	<u>Outcomes</u>	<u>Timeframe</u>
To improve the physical environment and organisation for service users with mobility needs/sensory impairment/complex communication and interaction needs.	M	Regular reminders on school website, letters and notice boards about accessible entrances/contacting school for specific access support, including accessible parking requirements (DT/ICT Lead).	Increased and improved access to education and services for those with mobility needs/sensory impairment/complex communication and interaction needs.	Autumn 2021 <i>(Covid restrictions permitting)</i>
	H	Soundfield Systems to be re-sited to Reception and Year 1 classrooms (DT/SB). Y1 ()/Rec()		Summer 2022
	H	Disabled parking space to be available at all times, solely for the use of disabled visitors/staff.		Summer 2021

	H	Development of specialist educational provision for pupils with complex communication and interaction needs - an adapted classroom, individual space, a play-based curriculum, including Teacch programmes, and access to an outdoor play area, with the appropriate facilities and resources and skilled ETAs, and access to appropriate hygiene facilities.		Summer 2021
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