



Southview School-Accessibility Statement

Learning
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Responsibility

As a purpose-built special school for pupils and students aged 3-19 with physical and neurological impairment and associated learning difficulties, all pupils have access, where appropriate, to all areas of the school building and premises. The school has a car park with disabled bays to the front of the building, and open access by means of a sliding door into the school building.

The school is on one level, with no stairs. Corridors are wide enough to allow for students to manoeuvre with wheelchairs and walking aids such as frames. Reception is accessible and there is a waiting area at the front of the building large enough to accommodate wheelchairs.

All classroom doors with the exception of Sunshine class (school nursery), are accessible for children and students by means of a push button entry system which allows them independent access and free movement around the school building.

All toilets and hygiene areas are wheelchair accessible, and have mobile and overhead hoists plus changing beds for pupils with more complex physical disabilities. Every pupil has a risk assessment carried out and a care plan drawn up by qualified assessors to enable pupils to be moved and supported safely for personal, educational and hygiene purposes.

The school also has a range of resources including adapted furniture and equipment. Interactive whiteboards and both low and high tech communication aids are used throughout the school to enable all pupils to have full access to the curriculum.

All classroom areas have access to an outside area enabling easy escape during an emergency.

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