

## Improving the Physical Access at Newark Hill Academy

An Access Audit was carried out by, Geoff Slade, Health & Safety Manager on Friday 12th December and a number of recommendations made as follows:

Access Report Ref.	Item	Activity	Timescale	Cost £
1	Hearing loop required in main reception	Minicom in place at staff entrance but was not working at time of visit. Repair existing loop and relocate it to main entrance or install new portable hearing loop and sign	By 30.4.2015	130 (if new loop required)
2	No beacon in accessible toilet	Install beacon	By 30.4.2015	Obtain quotes
3	Fire exit step in the key stage 2 library area needs cleaning to provide a contrast	Clean and place on maintenance routine	By 31.1.2015	Nil cost, site task
4	Wheelchair access for main reception. Move book case to improve access.	Relocate bookcase	By 31.1.2015	Nil cost, site task

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5	Emergency exit for disabled blocked	Remove table tops stacked behind the door and re-locate teacher's desk. Ensure route is kept clear of obstructions at all times.	By 31.1.2015	Nil cost site task
7	Classroom 3P - paint edge of step with contrasting colour (black, yellow or white)	Paint must be anti-slip and have a minimum Light Reflectance Value (LRV) difference of 30 points. Painted strip should extend across the whole width of each step and extend for 55mm on the top and front edges of each step. Once painted ensure edge is kept clean.	By 31.3.2015	Materials 1ltr £20 approx. Nil cost labour (site task)
8	W/C and basin in key stages 1 areas accessible toilet is adult height	Convert to standard height WC i.e. 420 – 430mm seat height. If necessary remove and refit WC grab rails as follows: 100-150mm above seat height i.e. 520 – 580mm above floor 400-500mm centres from centre of seat.	By 30.4.2015	WC approx. £170 plus labour

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9	Pressalit Care bed not marked with details of conformance with standards e.g. BS, CE etc.	Confirm (in writing) with manufacturer that bed conforms to all applicable standards. Contact details: <b>Pressalit Care plc</b> 100 Longwater Avenue Green Park England T: + 44 844 880 6950 F: + 44 844 880 6951 <a href="mailto:uk@pressalit.com">uk@pressalit.com</a>	By 31.3.2015	Nil cost (NB if bed does not conform obtain quotes for replacement)

### Improving Curriculum Access at Newark Hill Academy

All Greenwood Trust Academies have in place a variety of access arrangements (see 'Disability Access Provision' Page 6/7 below)

#### **Equal Opportunities practices should be evident in**

- the formal curriculum (the programme of lessons);
- the informal curriculum (extra-curricular activities);
- the 'hidden' curriculum (the ethos of the school, the quality of personal relationships etc).

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	Access to written information for students with Dyslexia	Use coloured overlays, coloured writing and mathematics books. Access to learning support team for advice.	Ongoing	Within normal school budget
	Access to written information for students with Dyslexia /EAL students/ MLD students and ASD	Access to written information adapted to suit needs of children (larger font size), language dictionaries provided to translate vocabulary, use of Teaching Assistants who speak different languages to support students to access curriculum.	Ongoing	Within normal school budget
	Ensure CPD Training Plan covers the full range of disabilities represented in the school	Provide training sessions for all appropriate staff	Ongoing	Within normal school budget
6		Review all out-of-Academy provision to	Ongoing	Within normal school budget

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	Increase access to all Academy trips and extra-curricular activities for all disabled pupils	ensure compliance with legislation All out-of-Academy activities will be conducted in an inclusive environment with providers that comply with all current and future legislative requirements		

### Improving the Delivery of Written Information at Newark Hill Academy

Access Report Ref.	Item	Activity	Timescale	Cost £
1	Improve access to all written information for students and parents with EAL.	Brochures/newsletters/school website are checked for accessibility at a low level of literacy A translator is provided where necessary	Ongoing/translator as and when required	Within normal school budget

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2	Improve access to all written information for parents with Learning Difficulties.	Brochures/newsletters/school website are checked for accessibility at a low level of literacy	Ongoing	Within normal school budget
2	Ensure access to curriculum texts for students with visual impairment	Review curriculum materials and visual aids i.e. larger print	Ongoing	Within normal school budget
3	Improve access to all written information for students and parents with visual impairment.	Review documentation with a view of ensuring accessibility for students with visual impairment	Ongoing	Within normal school budget
4	Improve access to all written information for students with communication difficulties e.g. ASD	Explore software for generating visual timetables etc e.g. internet search, Autism Outreach team.	Ongoing	Within normal school budget

