

# **DISABILITY POLICY**

## **ADMISSIONS AND DISABLED PUPILS**

We welcome all children who can make the most of the opportunities that we offer and can flourish in the caring environment of Moor Park School. Treating every child as an individual is important to us, and we welcome pupils with physical disabilities provided that they can cope with our site.

We advise parents of children with physical disabilities to discuss their child's requirements with the Headmaster prior to entry so that we can make adequate provision for him/her. Parents should provide a copy of a medical report to support their request, for example, for large print material or other special arrangements.

## **ON ENTRY**

Each pupil with a disability requires special consideration and treatment. If appropriate, adjustments will need to be put in place. We will discuss thoroughly with parents and their medical advisers the adjustments that can reasonably be made for their child once they have accepted the offer of a place and before he/she becomes a pupil at the school. We recognise that some disabled pupils may also require specialist support from our Learning Support Department, and we would normally discuss this issue with parents before their child enters the school. Moor Park's SEN and Learning Difficulty Policy is available on our web site.

## **PHYSICAL ACCESSIBILITY**

Parents and prospective parents of disabled children may wish to obtain copies of Moor Park's Accessibility Plan from the web site. This shows the ways in which we plan to make our buildings progressively more accessible to disabled pupils, parents and visitors.

Moor Park has an active monitoring policy and will do its best to make adjustments to take account of an individual pupil's needs, within the constraints imposed by the age of the buildings and their layout on a campus site. We are progressively introducing facilities for wheelchair users and the newer classrooms are suitable for the installation of hearing loops.

## **OTHER ADJUSTMENTS**

We are able, depending on need, to arrange for children to use laptop computers in classes, and, for example, for large print documents to be given to those with impaired vision.

## THE MEDICAL ROOM

Moor Park has a well appointed medical room, staffed by a fully qualified nurse, that is open during the school day so that qualified help can be summoned immediately. The School Doctor is also available for advice if required. The Medical team are always happy to discuss any pupil's health problems with parents as well as the management of any medical condition.

## STAFF TRAINING

Our teaching staff receive training on the learning needs of pupils with special education needs and disabilities.