

Single Equalities Policy and Plan 2020 - 2024

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Legal framework

1. We welcome our duties under the Equality Act 2010 to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations in relation to age (as appropriate), disability, ethnicity, gender (including issues of transgender, and of maternity and pregnancy), religion and belief, and sexual identity.

2. We welcome our duty under the Education and Inspections Act 2006 to promote community cohesion.

3. We recognise that these duties reflect international human rights standards as expressed in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, the UN Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities, and the Human Rights Act 1998. Guiding principles

4. In fulfilling the legal obligations cited above, we are guided by nine principles

Principle 1:

All learners are of equal value. We see all learners and potential learners, and their parents and carers, as of equal value:

- whether or not they are disabled
- whatever their ethnicity, culture, national origin or national status whatever their genderand gender identity
- whatever their religious or non-religious affiliation or faith background
- whatever their sexual identity.

Principle 2:

We recognise and respect difference. Treating people equally (Principle 1 above) does not necessarily involve treating them all the same. Our policies, procedures and activities must not discriminate but must nevertheless take account of differences of life-experience, outlook and background, and in the kinds of barrier and disadvantage which people may face, in relation to: disability, so that reasonable adjustments are made

- ethnicity, so that different cultural backgrounds and experiences of prejudice are recognised
- gender, so that the different needs and experiences of girls and boys, and women and men, are recognised
- religion, belief or faith background
- sexual identity.

Principle 3:

We foster positive attitudes and relationships, and a shared sense of cohesion and belonging. We intend that our policies, procedures and activities should promote:

- positive attitudes towards disabled people, good relations between disabled and non-disabled people, and an absence of harassment of disabled people
- positive interaction, good relations and dialogue between groups and communities different from each other in terms of ethnicity, culture, religious affiliation, national origin or national status, and an absence of prejudice-related bullying and incidents
- mutual respect and good relations between boys and girls, and women and men, and an absence of sexual and homophobic harassment.

Principle 4:

We observe good equalities practice in staff recruitment, retention and development We ensure that policies and procedures should benefit all employees and potential employees, for example in recruitment and promotion, and in continuing professional development:

- whether or not they are disabled
- whatever their ethnicity, culture, religious affiliation, national origin or national status
- whatever their gender and sexual identity, and with full respect for legal rights relating to pregnancy and maternity.

Principle 5:

We aim to reduce and remove inequalities and barriers that already exist. In addition to avoiding or minimising possible negative impacts of our policies, we take opportunities to maximise positive impacts by reducing and removing inequalities and barriers that may already exist between:

- disabled and non-disabled people
- people of different ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds
- girls and boys, women and men.

Principle 6:

We consult and involve widely We engage with a range of groups and individuals to ensure that those who are affected by a policy or activity are consulted and involved in the design of new policies, and in the review of existing ones. We consult and involve: disabled people as well as non-disabled

- people from a range of ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds
- both women and men, and girls and boys.
- gay people as well as straight.

Principle 7:

Society as a whole should benefit. We intend that our policies and activities should benefit society as a whole, both locally and nationally, by fostering greater social cohesion, and greater participation in public life of:

- disabled people as well as non-disabled
- people of a wide range of ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds
- both women and men, girls and boys
- gay people as well as straight.

Principle 8:

We base our practices on sound evidence. We maintain and publish quantitative and qualitative information showing our compliance with the public sector equality duty (PSED) set out in clause 149 of the Equality Act 2010.

Principle 9:

Objectives. We formulate and publish specific and measurable objectives, based on the evidence we have collected and published (principle 8) and the engagement in which we have been involved (principle 7). The objectives which we identify consider national and local priorities and issues, as appropriate. We keep our equality objectives under review and report annually on progress towards achieving them.

The curriculum

5. We keep each curriculum subject or area under review in order to ensure that teaching and learning reflect the principles set out in paragraph 4 above.

Ethos and organisation

6. We ensure the principles listed in paragraph 4 above apply to the full range of our policies and practices, including those that are concerned with:

- pupils' progress, attainment and achievement
- pupils' personal development, welfare and well-being
- teaching styles and strategies
- admissions and attendance
- staff recruitment, retention and professional development
- care, guidance and support
- behaviour, discipline and exclusions working in partnership with parents, carers and guardians
- working with the wider community.

Addressing prejudice and prejudice-related bullying

7. The school is opposed to all forms of prejudice which stand in the way of fulfilling the legal duties referred to in paragraphs 1–3:

- prejudices around disability and special educational needs
- prejudices around racism and xenophobia, including those that are directed towards religious groups and communities, for example anti-Semitism and Islamophobia, and those that are directed against Travellers, migrants, refugees and people seeking asylum
- Prejudices reflecting sexism and homophobia, transgender Lesbian and Gay hate crimes.
- Prejudice against the nine protected characteristics; Faith, Sex, Gender, Maternity, Age, Race, Disability,

8. There is guidance in the staff handbook on how prejudice-related incidents should be identified, assessed, recorded and dealt with.

9. We keep a record of prejudice-related incidents and, if requested, provide a report to the local authority about the numbers, types and seriousness of prejudice-related incidents at our school and how they are dealt with.

Roles and responsibilities

10. The governing body is responsible for ensuring that the school complies with legislation, and that this policy and its related procedures and action plans are implemented.

11. A member of the governing body has a watching brief regarding the implementation of this policy.

12. The Head of School and, ultimately, the Executive Head teacher are responsible for implementing the policy; for ensuring that all staff are aware of their responsibilities and are given appropriate training and support; and for taking appropriate action in any cases of unlawful discrimination.

13. A senior member of staff has day-to-day responsibility for coordinating implementation of the policy.

14. All staff are expected to:

- promote an inclusive and collaborative ethos in their classroom
- deal with any prejudice-related incidents that may occur
- plan and deliver curricula and lessons that reflect the principles in paragraph 4 above
- support pupils in their class for whom English is an additional language
- keep up-to-date with equalities legislation relevant to their work.

Information and resources

15. We ensure that the content of this policy is known to all staff and governors and, as appropriate, to all pupils and their parents and carers.

16. All staff and governors have access to a selection of resources which discuss and explain concepts of equality, diversity and community cohesion in appropriate detail.

Religious observance

17. We respect the religious beliefs and practice of all staff, pupils and parents, and comply with reasonable requests relating to religious observance and practice.

Staff development and training

18. We ensure that all staff, including support and administrative staff, receive appropriate training and opportunities for professional development, both as individuals and as groups or teams.

Breaches of the policy

19. Breaches of this policy will be dealt with in the same ways that breaches of other school policies are dealt with, as determined by the headteacher and governing body.

Monitoring and review

20. We collect, study and use quantitative and qualitative data relating to the implementation of this policy, and adjust as appropriate.

21. In particular we collect, analyse and use data in relation to achievement, broken down as appropriate according to disabilities and special educational needs; ethnicity, culture, language, religious affiliation, national origin and national status; and gender.

Background and acknowledgements

In its overall framework this model policy on all equalities in education is based on the race equality policy that Derbyshire developed in response to the Race Relations Act 2000, and that was included in Here, There and Everywhere: belonging, identity and equality in schools published by Trentham Books in 2004.
 The model statement considers guidance issued by several other local authorities, including Buckinghamshire, Cambridgeshire, Dudley, Durham, Hertfordshire, Newcastle, Sheffield and Somerset.
 The list of principles at paragraph 4 is adapted slightly from material in Equality Impact Analysis: a workbook, the most recent version of which was published by the Department for Education in February 2011.

4. The phrasing at certain points reflects the specific duties required by the Equality Act 2010 to publish information (principle 8) and to formulate and publish objectives

Equality Data November School Census 2022 - 2023

Age

The largest year groups are Reception, Year 3 Year 5 with 31 pupils

Staff profile

7% in their 70s 3% in their 60s 17% in their 50s 21% in their 40s 21% in their 30s 28% in their 20s The majority of staff are between 20s - 45s

Gender

Of the 250 pupils in school 54% are boys and 46% are girls.

The staff population is significantly more female than male with only 5 members of staff being male.

Disability

There are no children with a physical disability All areas of the school are accessible

The number of pupils with an EHCP is 0 There are no disabled members of staff.

Race

Black/ minority ethnic groups 6.4% The first language not to be English 2.4% compared to national 23.4% There are no recorded racist reports. Any recorded incidents would be reported to Local Governing Body and LA. The attendance of our children from minority ethnic groups is monitored.

Religion or Belief

61.4% of the children are Christian, the second most prevalent group is Other Religion 2.12%.

Marriage or civil partnership

No data is collated by the school about staff or parent's marital status, apart from the names given for home contact and information about whether letters home or reports are to be duplicated and sent to 2 addresses.

FSM 37% are eligible for FSM PP is 24.3%

Vulnerable Groups 1 Looked after child

Bullying and Discrimination

The school consistently records and reports incidents of bullying to the Local Governing Body

Single Equalities Scheme 2020 - 2024

Disabilities Equalities S	cheme					
participate within the s	at pupils and adults can fully chool's curriculum offer and that physical access to the school site.			Finance Plan How much will the plan cost - Which account code/s will fund the plan -		
Success criteria:	 Focus on outcomes. Specific, measurable in All pupils and adults have full physic considered within this plan. To develop and aspirational culture To ensure impact is tracked and is rithis pupil group; school is using the Staff have had effective CPD and de upon SEN criteria in regard to disab 	in which Leaders have im igorously measured and i national Data set to benc	to the school' provision nproved general provi is quantifiable; All APS chmark. y of practice measure	on and that all stakehold ision and not just an incl S pupil gains in-line with	ders' views have been rease in additional provision. some that are exceeding for	
Action		Lead person accountable for the action	Time Scale Start and End dates	Training/CPD needs	Resources/Costs/Time	
Conduct an annual audit to ensure appropriate physical access to the building is maintained with due regard to pupils and adults who have disabilities and that all stake holders' views are represented with in the plan		School Administrator School caretaker Head Teacher		SLT	N/A	
Promote a positive view and ethos in regard to differences which underpins curriculum design and whole school curriculum offer. With particular regard to hard to reach communities.		SLT	On going	Staff meeting x2 per term	To be decided	

appropriate and relevant to pupils and that it reflects the new SEN statutory changes 2014. To ensure the school tracking, analysis and reporting mechanisms include specific regard to SEN pupils and that Impact of provision can be measured.			-	SENDco lead from partner school		term	
					On going	Pupil progress meetings SENDco SLT meetings	SLT release time budget
	onalised CPD for staff linked to e data and whole school self e			SLT and specialist consultants	On going	CPD to be identified	School CPD budget.
				Monitoring	1		
Who	What	Where		When		How	External Validation
Staff member responsible	Specific outcomes	Staff mtg mtgs tern	/progress nly	April /Oct/Feb/Ju	ne	Scrutiny of data/AM7 Lesson Observations/ termly report to gov's through heads report	Any external validation
Impact: What will th	ne outcomes be?		Evidenced by	/ through	Evalua	tion Have the intended ou	tcomes been achieved?
with disabilities; Ro appropriately, Loop	nt ensured appropriate acces amps, disabled toilets located system installed, appropriat reception hatch, emergency l	d te seating	Physical refur	b		nool has been modernised ions for disabled access.	up to current building
Staff have extensive annually training to promote health and safety and awareness of School British values; Diversity/ tolerance		Central records; Stonewall annual Safeguarding CPD			Effective training ensures welcoming inclusive ethos supported by sensitive process and role modelled by staff.		
Sen report is updated annually by SENDco		Up to date re	Jp to date report on Website Report		Report maintained and updated termly		
•		Trello reports monitoring	•		School judgement – good with outstanding features 2019 - to current. Outcomes are still outstanding		

Race Equalities Scheme 2020 – 2024

Race Equalities Scheme	e				
Key Improvement Prio	rity:		Finance Plan		
Priority 1- To ensure that pupils and adults can fully					
	school's curriculum offer and that			Il the plan cost -	
the school actively cele	ebrates difference.		Which accour	nt code/s will fund the	e plan -
Lead person accountat	ble for the plan:				
Success criteria:	Focus on outcomes. Specific, meas	urable impact on pupils. (write th	his before you identi	fy the actions to be ta	aken).
	EAL Pupils make at least go	od if not better APS progress.			
	There is a reducing trend of	racial incidents year on year.			
	There is a visual celebration	of difference through- out the sch	hool woven into the	school's curriculum of	fer
	The school's curriculum des	ign and enrichment opportunities	proactively promote	community cohesion	
	Pupil conferences demonstr	rate acceptance and understandin	g of and have a posit	ive view of each other	
	• To link with hard to reach fa	amilies.			
Action		Lead person accountable for the action	Time Scale Start and End dates	Training/CPD needs	Resources/Costs/Time
School to track EAL pupils and benchmark against national expectations to ensure that all pupils are in line with ARE and that some are exceeding.		at Head teacher and Deputy Head One Education Class Teacher	On going	N/A	School tracking updated cost £600 annually
School to link EAL tracking to SIP whole school initiatives (pupil groupings)		Head Teacher	On Going	N/A	N/A
To appoint an EAL specialist consultant to support teaching staff in developing appropriate EAL provision through bespoke assessments and follow up CPD training for staff.			On going	To be decided	£2000

To ensure we can communicate effectively with are EAL Families facilitated by our EAL consultant. To promote whole school positive ethos within the school curriculum through teaching and learning, resourcing appropriately and enrichment experiences.					On Going		N/A	u
			SL	SLT Teaching staff On Going			To be decided	£2000
			Γ	Monitoring				
Who	What	Where		When		How		External Validation
Staff member responsible	Specific outcomes	Staff mtg mtgs tern	/progress nly	ess Oct/Feb/June		Scrutiny of data/ AM7 Lesson Observations/ termly report to gov's through heads report		Any external validation
Impact: What will the	e outcomes be?		Evidenced by/	through	Evalu	ation Hav	ve the intended out	comes been achieved?
	ontinue to be above National 2,23,24, This trend has been and ASP				Pract	ices withi	n school have been	effective.
EAL consultant continues to work with pupils' families and staff to ensure children access the curriculum and progress rapidly				Pract	ices withi	n school have been	effective.	
The school's values are role modelled by staff and children which ensures all pupil groups thrive academically and as the whole child		Parental and Pu	ıpil voice, feedbacl	k Pract	ices withi	n school have been	effective.	

Gender Equalities Scheme 2020 - 2024

Gender Equalities Sche	eme					
Key Improvement Priority: <u>Priority 1- T</u> o close the attainment gap between pupil groupings by developing an environment that promotes acceptance of difference.				Finance Plan How much will the plan cost - Which account code/s will fund the plan -		
Lead person accountal	-					
Success criteria:	 Focus on outcomes. Specific, measurab To ensure that all pupils make at To ensure any attainment gap be To ensure that staff have a heigh aware of how to protect these p To ensure that all pupil groups w To have effective strategies to ta To ensure that curriculum design To develop an ethos and enviror 	t least ARE APS and that man etween boys and girls demo ntened awareness of educat upil groups. vithin school can articulate t ackle the usage of Homopho n and resources meet the ne	ny may exceed. nstrated a reducing tro ional issues for Gay, Le hat they feel safe. bic language. eeds of Gay, Lesbian ar	end. esbian and Transgende nd transgender pupil gr	er pupil groups and are	
Action		Lead person accountable for the action	Time Scale Start and End dates	Training/CPD needs	Resources/Costs/Time	
All staff including non- teaching staff to have bespoke training on Gay, Lesbian and Transgender pupil groupings in order to provide an appropriate curriculum and school environment to support learning.			Ongoing	To be decided inset 1 x per term	CPD budget £500	
To include Sexuality tr induction start of term	aining within the school's annual Health Chec n for all staff.	k SLT	Ongoing	Annual inset	CPD Budget	

	The school audits curriculum provision and invests in appropriate enrichment activities and resources to support these pupil groupings.		SL ⁻ Qu	r ality teams	Ong	oing		1X per term	To be decided
Pastoral role to ensure	School to identify an Equalities champion for all pupil groupings linked t Pastoral role to ensure that the action plans receive due regard, to repo annually to Governors and to be nominated person for up to date			th Hubble puty Head acher	On	Going		1 x term	To be decided
curriculum linked dis communities	promoted difference thro splays to ensure links wit	h hard to reach	Qu	Г Iss teacher Iality Teams	Ong	oing		1 x Term	To be decided
to describe difference	udit pupil views on the appro and how effective are the app dditional actions to implemen	olication of the	ge SL	Γ	Ong	oing		2 x per term	To be decided
To amend schools anti bullying policies and introduce a introduce informally a log to track any inappropriate Homophobic language.			SL	Г	On	On going		N/A	To be decide in response to tracking
Pupil progress meeting	Pupil progress meetings to discuss pupil groupings and school track attainment and actions to close any gaps that are identified and im			۲ and Class acher	Ong	ngoing 1		To be decided	£5000 CPD budget
School identifies addit target closing the gap	ional resources on the school [:] for pupil groupings	's provision map to			Ongoing		To be decided	Intervention Budget and Tuition Budget	
			Ν	Aonitoring					
Who	What	Where		When			How		External Validation
Staff member responsible	Specific outcomes	Staff mtg /progre mtgs termly	SS	Oct/Feb/June		Scrutiny of data/ AM7 Lesson Observations/ termly report to gov's through heads report		n Observations/ v report to gov's	Any external validation
Impact: What will the	outcomes be?	Evider	ced by/ 1	hrough		Evaluat	ion Have:	the intended out	comes been achieved?
	ning on gender reassignment, obic prejudice bullying across ics		g record:	ecords		prejudio	ce-based		d very view incidents of when they raise concerns dealt with.
All staff induction includes annual training on how to Training r address Prejudice based bullying			g record	5		Staff are confident to recognise incidents and are able to confidently address then effectively.			cidents and are able to

School has invested in resources to address tolerance and diversity and it has formed a part of the curriculum base delivery	Stone wall recommended reading books in reading areas, curriculum topics based around recommended literature, visual inclusive displays on different kinds of families	Practices within school have been effective. Little or no negative issues that arise with children or parents, Children and parents present well with understanding of diversity
Regular pupil voice audits address the use of appropriate choices of language to train and raise awareness of prejudice- based languages	Pupil voice audits	Practices within school have been effective. Any issues that arise from time to time are addressed quickly with positive feedback from parents. Children and parents present well with understanding of diversity
CP policies behaviour policies adjusted to reflect the school's responses and procedures	Policy files	All staff follow school policies
Pupil progress meetings identify pupils do make accelerated progress and the mapping of resources has been successful to ensure pupils attain and make progress against their targets.	ASP School tracking	Practices within school have been effective

BRUCHE PRIMARY COHESION ACTION PLAN 2020 - 2024

Key Principles: Belonging, valuing diversity, equity, strong and positive relationships

Lead person (s): C. Jones,

Standard	Action	How will it be monitored	Who is responsible	Time frames
The school maintains regular, proactive consultation with all	Record attendance at parents evening	Register numbers who attend.	Class teachers/ Admin	Every parents' evening – 3x per year
parents/carers, pupils and community groups aimed at closing the attainment gap.	Increase attendance at parents' meetings by 10 % by targeting parents who are reluctant to engage	Letter home for non- attenders	SLT/ class teachers/ admin	Every parents' evening – 3x per year
	Ensure both parents who are separated continue to receive documents/ information from school.	Pastoral learning mentor to actively	Class teachers	Every parents' evening – 3x per year
	Actively invite parents to PTA	engage parents in the PTA	Learning Mentor	Ongoing

The school organises opportunities for and participates in, regular inter- cultural exchanges aimed at	Establish links with a school in another region	Various projects, assemblies, displays around school, Report to Governors	Humanities Quality Team	All Ongoing
promoting good community relationships	Teacher's reciprocal visits to South Africa	Visit and display	Teacher/TA lead	
Plan additional opportunities through the curriculum that help children to find out about the customs and traditions of different cultural backgrounds	 National and International topics Multicultural Arts work Religious festivals/ celebrations Themed assemblies Educational visits 	Parents invited to events Displays Evidence on website Articles in newsletter	SLT GC Quality teams	All Ongoing
To become familiar with the school's vision of a diverse, inclusive, tolerant and equitable society and the promotion of British Values	 Displays in classrooms Curriculum School Council Play/sports leaders' development Visitor assemblies Additional artefacts 	Embedding of cultural diversity in each class room Displays in each class room and central displays Visit to Houses of Parliament	Class Teachers Class Teachers/TA leader Learning Mentor	On going Ongoing

School curriculum and long term, medium and short term planning and resources actively contribute to the development of pupils' sense of identify through knowledge and understanding of diversity	 Review all curriculum mapping across primary school Research different models of inclusive creative curriculum Use appropriate relevant resources that are representative of our diverse community Sustain school critical work Sustain children community enjoyment e.g. Fund raising e.g. St. Roccos, volunteer work, e.g. choir singing, PAN festival, community allotment. 	Quality team/ SLT monitoring Website hits Parent/ children surveys	SLT / Quality Teams Governors Class teachers Learning mentor Parents to view New curriculum (website)	Ongoing Ongoing
Have opportunities to enjoy cultural and creative experiences that reflect and celebrate UK's increasing diversity.	 Cultural days, international day, International day Art, music, Summer Fair, reciprocal visits to South Africa 	Quality team/ SLT monitoring	PTA/SLT/ class teachers	
The school works with its local cluster/secondary school to ensure pupils have access to a rich, broad and personalised curriculum.	 Meet regularly with link teachers Parents informed through newsletter and website Provision monitored and reviewed Interschool sporting events and visits 	Subject co-ordinators/ Class teachers meet with staff Sharing of good practice	SLT Class teachers SEN Co-ordinator	On Going
All staff have received training to deal with inequality, bullying and racist all groups, gender, SEN, race, religion and belief, disability, sexual orientation or gender reassignment	 To continue to closely monitor and log any racially and homophobic motivated incidents Anti-bullying week in November All staff to act as role models challenging offensive terminology and following school protocols and policies and reporting it to SLT CEOP training staff, parents and working with children 	 Data sent to local authority Assembly PSHE/lessons Inset session on dealing with incidents 	SLT	Ongoing

Further develop aspects of Family Learning	 To continue to support parents learning, workshops, support groups 		SLT/ Governors	On Going
			Gov's	
	stonewall material	and used across school.	All Staff	
	 Display demonstrating different backgrounds and family structures e.g. 	Appropriate texts found	teacher's	
	etc.	diversity	SLT and class	
Reach out to groups within the school community, PTA,	 Meet to plan greater diversity of events Parent Workshops/ transition meetings 	Range of displays which promote and recognised	Lead TA	On Going
	Governors to read and understand Equalities policy annually			
	training in regards to safeguarding and inclusion.Discriminatory practice challenged	Governing body meetings minutes	Gov's	
legislation	 All staff have copy of staff handbook All staff to attend initial and refresher training in regards to safeguarding and 	Training takes place	All Staff	
Governors and staff know their responsibilities under relevant	Meeting with SLT to discuss issues of equality	Induction check lists completed	SLT and class teacher's	