



## HOE BRIDGE SCHOOL

### **Provision for Physically Disabled Staff and Pupils**

#### **Premises**

##### **Nursery and Pre-Prep**

A physically disabled person with restricted mobility, has access to the Nursery and the Pre-prep, subject to appropriate low level ramps being installed. The only restrictions in the Pre-Prep are access to Year 2 classrooms, situated on the first floor, and toilet provision which can both be overcome by swapping a Year 1 and a Year 2 classroom base and by converting two cubicles into one disabled toilet.

##### **Prep**

This is more complex because there are a number of form rooms and subject specialist rooms on the first or second floors of the five separate teaching areas.

With the installation of low level ramps a disabled person would currently have access to six ground floor classrooms covering maths, French, art and design technology as well as the dining room and library.

There is a disabled toilet on the ground floor of the art block.

In the Sports' Hall block there is a disabled toilet and a lift giving access to all Year 3, one Year 4 and two Year 5 classrooms, English, history, classics and the science labs. There is a disabled changing room and toilet on the ground floor and a disabled toilet on the first floor. However a person restricted to a wheelchair would not be able to access all Year 5 and 6 classrooms and specialist rooms in geography, ICT, music and some English which are on the first and second floors in other teaching areas. Matron's surgery would also be inaccessible.

Visually impaired people would have difficulty accessing the different areas of the school safely.

#### **Curriculum**

Within reason the curriculum could be adjusted in some areas to meet the needs of a physically disabled child. This may be on a temporary basis as the result of disability through accident or for a permanently disabled pupil. An Individual Education Plan would be drawn up in consultation with parents and any medical professionals involved.

#### **Disability Act**

Hoe Bridge School attempts to comply with the requirements of the Disability Act.