



# **Accessibility Plan**

This action plan sets out the aims of our Accessibility Policy in accordance with the Equality Act 2010.

#### 1. Vision Statement

Three Bridges School is committed to creating an inclusive learning environment where learners with a range of special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), which include those who have a diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder (ASD) or other associated conditions and other co-occurring needs can thrive. This action plan sets out practical steps to remove barriers, provide targeted support, and ensure equal access to education.

#### 2. Action Plan Table

Area	Objective	Actions	Responsibility	Timescale	Monitoring/Success Criteria
	Ensure learning is	Provide lesson materials in	Assistant Principal		Lesson
Coursi a colorea	accessible for all	multiple formats (print, digital,	(Curriculum and		observations/
	learners with special	audio).	Education)	Review	learning walks
Curriculum	educational needs			Spring 2026	show use of
	and disabilities,	Use dyslexia-friendly fonts	Teachers		SEND/ASD-friendly
	which include those	and layouts.			strategies.

	who have a diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder (ASD) or other associated conditions.	Allow flexible assessment (oral, extended time, alternatives).	SENDCo		Learner progress data improves.
Teaching Strategies	Embed evidence- based SEND/ASD approaches and strategies across school.	Deliver annual staff training plan.  Promote multi-sensory teaching methods.  Provide guidance on scaffolding reading and writing tasks.  Bespoke and individual learner plan.	Assistant Principal (Curriculum & Education) Teachers SENDCo	Review Spring 2026	Qualified teaching staff, with the skills and competencies for their role.  Consistency seen across learning spaces.  Bespoke and individual learner plans are effective.
Physical Environment	Create a supportive learning environment which meets SEND. This includes: One floor plan (no upstairs) in main building and block. Downstairs floor for learners in Discovery Village. Ramps at external doors to enable wheelchair access. Wide corridors which are	Quiet breakout spaces are managed to meet needs of learners.  Use clear signage with high-contrast fonts.  Reduce learning space clutter and provide visual timetables.  Make good use of outside spaces. Outside learning kits available for all learning groups.	Property Manager  SLT  Teachers	Year Review Summer 2026	Therapists' assessments and individual plans.  Observations confirm accessible environments.

accessible	Sonsony resources in learning	T	
	Sensory resources in learning		
throughout main	spaces to meet sensory		
building.	needs, as advised by		
Larger rooms	Occupational Therapists.		
Discovery village			
with movable			
equipment/			
furniture and			
resources.			
Learning spaces			
created and			
resources to meet			
learners' complex			
needs, e.g. physical			
and medical.			
Accessible toilets.			
Shower facilities in			
block and Discovery			
Village.			
Low level shelves			
Desks of differing			
heights			
Chairs of differing			
heights.			
Lighting considers			
sensory needs.			
Sensory areas and			
resources are			
provided.			
Safe rooms and			
break-out areas are			
provided.			
Quiet calm spaces.			

Technology and Resources	Provide assistive tools to support literacy.	Introduce text-to-speech and speech-to-text software through google learning spaces.  Apps used as advised by Speech and Language therapists to meet communication need, AAC devices implemented effectively where required by individual learners.  Provide audiobooks and digital textbooks.  Use reading overlays and rulers.		Review Summer 2026	Learners demonstrate increased independence.  Usage logs show uptake of technology.  Individual communication assessments and plans are effective.
Learner Support	Empower learners to engage with their learning.	Further develop individual support plans.  Involve learners in setting learning goals, having ownership of their learning.  Offer mentoring or peersupport.	SENDCO Teachers / Tutors  Learning Support Assistants	Review Spring 2026	Learner voice feedback shows confidence.  Personalised targets met.
Family Engagement	Build strong partnerships with parents/carers.	Use a range of communication methods to ensure information is accessible.  This includes:	SENDCO Parent / Carer Lead Teachers	Review Summer 2026	Increased parental confidence and engagement.  Positive feedback from parents.

<ul> <li>External and Internal signage</li> <li>Large print resources</li> <li>Braille option</li> <li>Visual support e.g., Makaton</li> <li>Pictorial or symbolic representations e.g., Widget, Apps and AAC</li> <li>Website information</li> <li>Telephone</li> <li>Text</li> <li>Teams/zoom</li> <li>Face to face conversations</li> <li>Parent/carer group meetings.</li> <li>Newsletters</li> <li>Open Events</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Open Events</li> <li>Surveys</li> <li>Email</li> <li>Hold information evenings on a range of relevant subjects which support learners needs e.g., online safety.</li> </ul>	
Share resources and home strategies.  Provide regular progress reviews and parent consultations.  Parent group meetings.	

	Ensure SEND and all	Review curriculum,	SLT, Central Office	By End of	EDI champion
	relevant policies	assessment, and inclusion		Autumn	supporting learners
	includes	policies.	All staff – good	2025;	voice is effective in
Policy and	accessibility.		practice.	Annual	their role.
Monitoring	Accessibility is	Review all lead roles		Review	
	embedded in				
	school policies,	Annual review of plan with			
	processes, and	central office team.			
	practices.				

### 3. School Improvement Plan Objectives:

**Quality of education - To ensure learners holistic development and lifelong success.** Enabling all learners to achieve Preparing learners for further education, opportunities academic success and the development of the required skills, resilience, and social competencies to thrive in adulthood. and active participation in society. Further developing an education system that prioritizes both academic achievement and personal growth, leading to empowered, capable learners ready to contribute positively in their communities.

**Personal Development: To develop empowerment for independence and fulfilment.** Equipping learners with the skills, knowledge, and confidence they need to lead independent, fulfilling lives. Encompassing social skills, emotional well-being, life skills, and career readiness, while promoting self-advocacy, self-management and community engagement and contribution.

To foster and cultivate positive behaviour and resilient attitudes for lifelong success that will support learners in their personal, social, and academic lives. Developing social interactions, emotional regulation and competence, and self-advocacy, preparing learners for successful engagement in their communities, future endeavors and life challenges.

To consistently promote and lead an inclusive and supportive educational environment that empowers every learner to achieve their full potential. Ensuring a culture where all members feel valued, supported, and motivated to succeed and which reflects a commitment to inclusivity, high standards of education, and the holistic development of all and further developing a team of strong and influential educators

## 4. Monitoring and Review

- Reviewed by: Senior Leadership Team.
- Frequency: Annually (with mid-year progress checks).
- Stakeholder Involvement: Learners, parents/carers, staff, Melrose central office, and School Community Board (SCB)
- Evaluation Methods: Surveys, learner progress data, learning space observations, feedback from families.