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SOUTHEND EAST COMMUNITY ACADEMY TRUST

SEND Policy Appendix



Thorpedene Primary School & Nursery

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11. Admission and Accessibility Arrangements

The arrangements for the admission of pupils with special needs or disabilities to gain admission as pupils to Thorpedene Primary School & Nursery fall within our duties under the Equality Act 2010 and are the same as those applied to all pupils. Admission is in the first instance arranged by application to the Local Education Authority. If successful, Thorpedene Primary School & Nursery then receives notification that a child has been allocated a place at Thorpedene Primary School & Nursery.

For admissions, please visit the Southend-on-Sea City Council website:

Primary school admissions - Southend-on-Sea City Council

We will use our best endeavours to ensure that no child is unable to attend Thorpedene Primary School & Nursery because of any special need or disability. In order to promote equality of opportunity for disabled children, we will make reasonable adjustments to prevent them being put under a disadvantage.

In practice we ensure that classroom and extra-curricular activities encourage the participation of all pupils, including those categorised as having special educational needs. Staff organise human and physical resources within the school to increase access to learning and participation by all pupils.

Existing facilities provided to assist access to the school by pupils with disabilities:

- Wheelchair access onto school grounds at the main entrance and around the school.
- Disabled parking is available near the main entrance.
- Main areas of access are on one level.
- Exterior lighting to improve evening access.
- Children's disabled toilets and one adult disabled toilet.

Please also see the Accessibility Policy.