

Inclusion Policy

1. Policy Statement

At Spirit Federation, we are committed to creating a culture of inclusion where every child and adult is welcomed, respected, and supported to thrive.

In line with our Christian values of **trust, respect, courage, faith and commitment**, we aim to remove barriers to learning and participation so that all pupils feel safe, valued and able to achieve their full potential.

This policy should be read alongside our **SEND Policy**, **Equality & Diversity Policy**, **Behaviour Policy**, and **Safeguarding & Child Protection Policy**.

2. Legal and Policy Framework

This policy is underpinned by the following legislation and statutory guidance:

- Equality Act 2010 (including the Public Sector Equality Duty)
- Children & Families Act 2014 and the SEND Code of Practice (2015)
- Statutory Guidance on Supporting Pupils with Medical Conditions (2014)
- Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE 2025)
- Ofsted Education Inspection Framework (EIF)

3. Aims

We will:

- Ensure equality of opportunity for all pupils.
- Identify and remove barriers to learning, participation, and wellbeing.
- Promote respect for diversity and positive relationships across the federation.
- Personalise learning to meet a wide range of needs.
- Work in partnership with families, governors, and external agencies.

4. Scope

This policy applies to all pupils across the federation, including (but not limited to):

- Pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)
- Pupils who are disadvantaged or in receipt of Pupil Premium
- Pupils with English as an Additional Language (EAL)
- Pupils from minority ethnic backgrounds, faith groups or traveller families
- Pupils who are looked after or previously looked after
- Pupils with medical conditions or disabilities
- Pupils who are young carers, at risk of exclusion or experiencing social/emotional challenges
- Pupils who have particular talents

5. Roles and Responsibilities

Governing Bodies

Ensure compliance with legislation, monitor inclusion outcomes, and set strategic direction.

• Executive Headteacher & Heads of School

Lead an inclusive culture across the federation, ensure policies and practices promote equity and allocate resources appropriately.

SENDCos

Coordinate provision for pupils with SEND and other additional needs; support staff in delivering inclusive practice; liaise with parents and external professionals.

All staff

Deliver quality first teaching, make reasonable adjustments, promote positive behaviour, and model inclusive values.

Pupils

Respect and support one another, contribute to a safe and inclusive community.

Parents and carers

Work in partnership with the school to support children's learning and wellbeing.

6. Implementation

We will achieve inclusive practice by:

- **Curriculum & Teaching** ensuring high-quality, well-adapted teaching, supported by appropriate interventions.
- Access & Participation making reasonable adjustments so all pupils can join curriculum, enrichment, trip, and wider school life.
- **Personalised Support** using provision mapping, Pupil Premium and targeted interventions to address barriers.
- **Wellbeing & Behaviour** embedding restorative, consistent approaches that safeguard pupils and promote positive relationships.
- **Staff Development** providing training on SEND, EAL, cultural awareness, equality and inclusive pedagogy.

7. Monitoring & Evaluation

Inclusion will be monitored at federation and school level through:

- Pupil progress, attainment and engagement data
- Attendance and exclusion data
- Pupil and parent voice
- Staff feedback and professional development records
- Annual review by Heads of School

8. Linked Policies

- SEND Policy
- Equality & Diversity Policy
- Safeguarding & Child Protection Policy
- Behaviour Policy
- Anti-Bullying Policy
- Supporting Pupils with Medical Conditions Policy