The Havelock Schools **EQUALITIES INFORMATION** February 2022



The Public Sector Equality Duty 2011 has three aims under the general duty for Schools, Academies and Settings:

- 1. Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act. By removing or minimising disadvantages suffered by people due to their protected characteristics.
- 2. Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not. By taking steps to meet the needs of people from protected groups where these are different from the needs of other people
- 3. Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not. By encouraging people from protected groups to participate in public life or in other activities where their participation is disproportionately low.

The Havelock Schools has considered how well we currently achieve these aims with regard to the eight protected equality groups: *race, disability, sex, gender reassignment, age, pregnancy and maternity, religion and belief* and *sexual orientation*. In compiling this equality information we have:

- identified evidence already in our setting/centre of equality within policies and practice and identified gaps;
- examined how our setting/centre engages with the protected groups, identifying where practice could be improve.

Protected Characteristics	Aims of General Duty					
	Evidence and engagement with protected groups in order to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation	Advancing equality of opportunity and engagement with protected groups	Foster good relationships and engagement with protected groups in order to develop good relationships			
Race	 Hate crime and incident reporting used by all via school pod Data analysed and included in Trust board safeguarding report Very few incidents of racial harassment reported Equality policies actively followed 	 Pupils with differing backgrounds feel included throughout the school Data shows little variation in results of different racial groups Adults from different backgrounds approach the school freely Same opportunities are given to all stakeholders 	 Home culture shared and celebrated in school in all classes at HIS through 'class diary' Multi-cultural events held throughout the year to celebrate the diverse cultures in our society Curriculum developments include topics and themes about different groups 			
Disability	 Disabled pupils included in all school events Disabled parents have access to all school events Staff raise concerns if aspects of school life are not fully accessible to pupils and actions are carried out promptly String school for disabled pupils 	Accessibility plan in place Additional training is given to staff where required	 Contact with disabled parents to ensure equality of access to school events Assemblies and class discussions make specific reference to disabilities (as relevant) All pupils included in all aspects of day to day school life 			

Sex and Discrimination	 All pupils take part in a wide variety of activities to encourage equal opportunities both in and after school Sporting teams to be a full representation of the pupil population Incidents of sexual discrimination are logged and data is analysed. 	 Positive discrimination made when appropriate Actively encourage volunteers and staff from a range of genders including gender neutral. 	 Stereotypes are challenged eg dressing up clothes for all Assemblies tackle discrimination Working parties include representations from the whole staff population. Council representatives from range of school population.
Gender Reassignment	 We currently have no second of the control of the currently have no second of the	- Equality policy would be followed to ensure that good relations are fostered	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Pregnancy and Maternity/Paternity	 LGSS maternity policy followed Puberty teaching delivered by School nurses 	 Individual staff part of risk assessment process and roles amended accordingly Support offered for maternity/paternity/adoption leave 	 KIT days encouraged and flexible working on return discussed Policy shared and regularly referred to with any queries
Age	- Full age range of staff and volunteers from 16 – 65+	 Retired employees welcomed back Volunteers from all age groups welcomed in to school 	 Support elderly within the community Support local playgroups Grandparents invited in to school
Religion and Belief	 Different religious beliefs catered for in staff and pupils RE policy followed Collective worship included coverage of a variety of faith groups 	 Visitors from a variety of Faiths invited in to school Alternative menus offered Withdrawal from RE and assembly if requested All staff complete Prevent training 	 School visits to other places of worship Multi faith celebrations highlighted in assemblies School Values (which link to British values), School vision is shared with all Codes of conduct
Sexual Orientation (inc marriage and civil partnerships)	 School rules set clear guidelines applicable to protected characteristics All people treated as individuals PSHE policy Hate incidents reported and monitored Everyone one will be treated fairly and without discrimination regardless of their relationship status 	 Dressing up clothes and toys throughout the school provide freedom of expression for all individuals Variety of families represented Jigsaw sessions and assemblies include different family types and also tackles homophobia Policies in place covering equal rights for all (such as recruitment and selection and Pay) 	 Opportunity to share home environment through class diary at HIS. Non-judgemental viewpoints fostered Governors, staff, parents and volunteers all treated as equals

• All staff completed an online Equality and Diversity training module.

<u>The Havelock Schools – Equalities Objectives Action Plan February 2022</u>

Objective	Which protected group(s) will this most affect/influence	How will we know we have achieved the objective?	Lead	Actions	Review Date
To ensure races, religions and beliefs are celebrated of those represented within and beyond schools	Race/ Religion and Belief	RE curriculum and assemblies across both schools provide a wide menu of different cultures, religions and beliefs including visitors and multi faith celebrations. Time will be built in to specific classes/year groups for children from different backgrounds will be able to share about their customs and traditions.	RE Coordinator Worship Coordinator Year leads Class Teachers	The RE curriculum with be reviewed to ensure it reflects the cultural and religious background of the school. Each year the Collective worship rota will be reviewed and the belief of pupils represented in school will be reflected in the themes Class teachers/Year groups will build in time to all customs and traditions to be explored related to specific children in their classes/year groups	On going
To ensure that the language we use across all school groups avoids stereotypical connotations	Sexual orientation/Sex and discrimination	Reduction of hate crime incidents reported particularly in the use of homophobic language	ST/DSLs	Training at SM on awareness of language used and its impact on stereotypes	On going
To ensure that staff and pupils understand about those who are considering or who are transitioning gender	Gender reassignment	Staff, pupils and other stakeholders will understand the needs and desires of those considering/going through or having been through gender reassignment. Parents and children able to talk openly and freely at school about the process and their decisions.	EHT PHSE co- ordinator	Age appropriate sessions will be built into the schools PHSE curriculum to build up understanding of differences between people Where required extra support/teaching and learning will be carried out for specific year groups/classes to help with understanding	As required/ on going
To ensure that all staff understand their options when applying for maternity/paternity and the opportunities to share this time	Pregnancy & Maternity/Paternity	All staff will be supported through the process of applying for leave for maternity/paternity	EHT	When staff share about their circumstances signpost them to the appropriate guidance for applying for maternity/paternity leave and their rights.	On going
To actively encourage Governor applications from local people with protected characteristics	All	Governing Body to include Governors from protected groups	EHT	Network within the community and Pathfinders to find suitable candidates	On going
To continue to develop the whole school curriculum to incorporate more teaching and learning about a variety of ways of life from children of different racial origin (year group/class specific)	Race	Question to be included on parent survey: 'Does the school ensure that children learn about the diversity of today's society'	EHT	EHT to include on stakeholder survey Responses analysed and taken to SM if of concern For 2022 diversity within the curriculum has been included as part of the SDP and is being reviewed termly by SLT and LT to ensure there is an increased awareness across the school. New curriculum implemented that celebrates cultural diveristy	July 2023
To continue to give children experience of playing sport with impairment eg blind football, seated vollyball	Disability	Children will have the skills to play a variety of sports in an adapted way	PE Coordinator	Build opportunities of adapted sports into the curriculum, using Vicky Gallagher for support.	July 2023