



# **Equality Information and Objectives**

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## Equalities Information Academic Year 2021-22

### School information

Number on Roll	70% Boys 30% Girls
Nature of learners:	Baycroft provides for a broad range of learning needs, many have whom are complex. 70% are diagnosed with a degree of Moderate Learning Difficulty 5% students are diagnosed with a degree of Severe Learning Difficulty 36% students have ASD Diagnosis 42% students have SEMH needs 57% students have SLCN needs 13% students have a physical disability.
Ethnicity of Learners:	95% of students are White British with only 5% having other ethnic backgrounds
English as Additional Language:	There are no students with English as an additional language
Pupil Premium	50%
Free School Meals	44% (8% increase from previous year)

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*NOTE: To comply with Data Protection Regulations 2018, the school will not publish information that relates to fewer than 3 people*

### Student Related Data

Information	Evidence and commentary
Attendance by gender	<u>Whole School</u>
	Attendances 87.91
	Unauthorised 1.37
	<u>FSM</u>
	85.71%
	1.88%
Racist Incidents	<u>Girls</u>
	Attendances 89.29%
	Unauthorised 0.92%
	<u>Boys</u>
	87.30%
	1.58%
Racist Incidents	11 Incidents logged as racist behaviour <i>9 of which classed as isolated</i>
Fixed Term Exclusions	Total number of fixed term exclusions 11 (25 sessions) 18% female occurrences 88% male occurrences (3% of the whole male cohort)

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We have considered how well we currently achieve these aims with regard to the protected groups under the Equality Act (race, disability, gender, gender re-assignment, age, pregnancy and maternity, marital status, sexual orientation, religion and belief and sexual orientation).

Having referred to and analysed our equality information, we have set ourselves the following objective(s):

What is the inequality in our community which we are seeking to address?	What is our objective?	What will we do?
<p>Girls' participation and achievement in sport has a tendency to reduce between Y7 and Y11.</p> <p>There is a cultural gap in society around female self-image in team sports which may contribute to this</p>	<p>To ensure that all students develop a self-image around lifelong sports participation and have access to activities which stimulate a love of sport and ambition for achievement.</p> <p>To maintain equal participation, engagement and progress in the PE curriculum for all students from Y7 to Y11</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review the current curriculum to ensure a good balance of sports and activities for all genders to experience</li> <li>• Continual development of appropriate extra-curricular activities that encourage all genders to participate</li> <li>• Develop in girls a cultural identity around team and individual sports</li> <li>• Empower girls to participate in team sports</li> <li>• Provide role models and imagery which nurture self-image as team participants and lifelong sportsmen and women</li> <li>• Expose girls to elite women's sport</li> </ul>
<p>Our students are disproportionately more likely than their peers without SEND to experience mental health challenges.</p> <p>There is a societal bias/stigma around male mental health.</p>	<p>To continue to develop the positive mental health standards across the school by embedding these within the curriculum and whole school ethos and breaking down cultural taboos as part of promoting a mentally healthy school for all</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure the professional code of conduct for all staff reflects this value</li> <li>• Mental health lead on SLT and suitable training for staff &amp; leaders</li> <li>• High profile celebration of mental health and mental health</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revisit Baycroft Expects, whole school values, connecting them to positive mental health and resilience</li> <li>• Regular promotion of resources and sources of support among staff, children and parents</li> <li>• Explicit work in the PDP curriculum, addressing gender stereotypes and promoting positive mental health</li> <li>• Continual development of the Faculty of Wellbeing to develop the strands of physical and emotional wellbeing</li> </ul>
<p>All of our students are disproportionately vulnerable in the virtual world</p> <p>There is an inequality in the degree to which they can be supported in developing good e-safety skills. 2 factors which contribute to this are; lack of access to devices and opportunities to rehearse safe behaviours at home (IT poverty); lack of skills, knowledge and confidence of parents and carers to provide coaching and support for safe behaviours at home (intellectual IT poverty)</p>	<p>To ensure that all students are equally able to keep themselves safe and can equally access appropriate internet and e-safety guidance from adults as well as opportunities to develop and rehearse these skills</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a comprehensive programme of E-Safety advice, guidance and reinforcement throughout both our explicit and implicit curriculum</li> <li>• Ensure access to technology at school and at home which enables rehearsal of appropriate skills</li> <li>• Engage with external providers to ensure staff are always extremely current and confident in supporting good E-Safety in students</li> <li>• Make use of external expertise to upskill parents and carers through workshops and bespoke 1:1 sessions to enable them in supporting children with E-Safety</li> <li>• Ensure that there is a robust post-incident support procedure, using both school staff and external expertise to recover confidence and repair harm after any serious E-Safety incident</li> </ul>
<p>Staff experiencing the menopause are faced with challenges to their working practice. Staff without experience of the menopause may be unaware of how to support colleagues.</p>	<p>To increase support for staff experiencing the menopause.</p> <p>To ensure school EDI policies and practice are reflected by staff feeling supported in managing health and wellbeing changes alongside maintaining performance.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deliver training to all staff so they are aware of the challenges of managing the menopause and ways to support colleagues through.</li> <li>• Leaders and managers to undergo specific training on whole school approach</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure that staff experiencing the menopause know how to access advice and support.</li> <li>• Update EDI policies to include the menopause as being an aspect in broader inclusivity aims for our community.</li> </ul>
<p>Staff recruitment is not diverse in terms of the categories of race, gender or sexuality.</p>	<p>Applicants for new positions have are more diverse, increasing possibilities of a more diverse workforce.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff with responsibility for recruitment to have this as a performance target</li> <li>• Staff with responsibility for recruitment complete unconscious bias training and are active in EDI focus group and training.</li> <li>• Vacancies for positions at Baycroft are advertised to a wider demographic than is currently used including positively promoting to diverse groups.</li> <li>• EDI aspects are obvious in the advertising of vacancies, e.g. that we are a positive place for our LGBTQ+ community to thrive.</li> </ul>
<p>Our commitment to EDI is not sufficiently explicitly in both language and teaching materials in terms of welcoming diversity in sexual and gender identity within the school community.</p> <p><b>See also School Strategic Plan EDI section.</b></p>	<p>Eradicate unnecessarily/unhelpfully gendered language in any policies, publications and school teaching materials. Provide an environment and a curriculum where diverse identity is usualised and where staff can safely support each other in making the positive changes needed towards this.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deliver training to all staff to understand and acquire appropriate language around LGBTQ+</li> <li>• Staff habitually review language used as a response to training and regular staff meeting (e.g. briefing) focus. This will include checking teaching materials are not excessively heteronormative or cisgender focussed. This is a performance target for the current academic year for all subject leads</li> <li>• “Inclusively nudging” colleagues toward language and behaviour that is more supportive of our LGBTQ+ community in particular is normalized and appreciated.</li> <li>• All subjects have reviewed their curriculum materials to eliminate gendered language as far as possible and to ensure that diversity is represented and</li> </ul>

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