



Horbury St Peter's and Clifton CE (VC) Primary School

Local Offer for SEND – Auxiliary Aids and Equipment

The Equality Act 2010 says that schools and the Local Authority have a duty of care to provide auxiliary aids and equipment. Auxiliary aids are equipment that helps a child or young person at school. It is only for equipment to be used in a child or young person's school which needs to be provided to make education accessible.

In Wakefield, schools use their own money to buy equipment for children and young people for equipment that costs less than £1,000, If the total is more than £1,000 then the professional who thinks the child or young person needs the equipment submits a request in to the Local Authority. A child or young person does not need to have a statement or a new Education Health Care Plan to have equipment bought by the Local Authority.

If the school buys the equipment then it belongs to the school. When a child or young person moves to a different school or academy or transfers to high school, then it is up to the new school to make sure they get buy the correct equipment. If the Local Authority buys the equipment then this will go with the child or young person whilst they are education.