

## DISN welcomes visitors from North Korea

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Staff from the [Department of Inclusion Disability and Special Education \(DISN\) \(/schools/education/departments/disability-inclusion-special-needs/index.aspx\)](#) in collaboration with [Handicap International \(HI\) \(http://www.handicap-international.org.uk\)](http://www.handicap-international.org.uk), were pleased to welcome visitors from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) to the School of Education on Wednesday 1 May.



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The four delegates from the Ministry of Education (known as the Education Commission) and the Korean Federation for the Protection of the Disabled were here to gain a better understanding of education for children with disabilities (inclusive and special education). During their stay in the UK, they will be visiting an inclusive nursery, primary and secondary school as well as special schools and a range of resource centres for assistive devices. They will also meet various disability specific organisations.

The Korean Federation for the Protection of the Disabled People (KFPD) was founded in 1998 and acquired the status of a federation 'for the overall and unified protection of the disabled people' in 2005. It represents all the institutions related to disabled people in DPRK. Handicap International (HI) is working with the KFPD to improve the education opportunities for children with disabilities and in particular for children with sensory impairments.