Hello and welcome to the University of Nottingham! We are your Students’ Union, and we wanted to introduce ourselves and tell you a bit about the ways in which we are making the Welcome Week as accessible as possible for students with disabilities and additional access needs. We hope you have a brilliant week, and please feel free to say hi!

**Welcome Fair**

We hope you will take a chance to come down to the University Park Welcome Fair at the David Ross Sports’ Village on Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th September, 10am-5pm. We have endeavoured to make the Fair as accessible as possible in the following ways:

**Access Pass**

We will have an ‘access pass’ which is available to pick up from the Welcome Fair Info Point, Portland Building Reception, or the Accessibility Support Office. If you have a pass this means you can use the pass to skip a queue, request a quick ‘route out’ of the fair, or simply signal to a mentor or staff member that you need another form of support. Simply show a mentor or staff member your pass, and the mentor or staff member will then ask how they can help and do what they can to support.

**Getting around the Fair**

We have done our best to ensure that there is enough room in the fair, and have ensured that any electricity cables are at the back of the hall, to allow good wheelchair and accessible access. We will also have many mentors volunteering as stewards to ensure good flow around the fair. However if you notice any issues with this please let staff know.

**Accessible Printed Materials**

The layout of the fair and demonstration timetable will be available in large print at the info point inside the Fair.

**Quiet Zone**

We have endeavoured to keep noise to a minimum by not playing music in the fair, however we understand that people may need a break from the fair for a number of reasons. If you need a break, please feel free to use our Quiet Zone room, on the First Floor of the DRSV. There is accessible access with a lift next to the stairs which will take you to just outside the room. The room is open 9am-5pm Monday 25th and 9am-2:30pm Tuesday 26th September. There will always be friendly students and staff there within those hours to chat to, have a cup of tea or just take a quiet break.

**Beyond the Fair**

There is a host of other activities and events happening across the rest of the week, and mentors will be happy to do what they can to support access to these. Please check out the calendar here: [https://www.su.nottingham.ac.uk/welcome/](https://www.su.nottingham.ac.uk/welcome/) or request a large print version from the Info Point at the Welcome Fair, Portland Reception, or the Accessibility Office. If you require information about the accessibility of any specific events please contact your Welcome Mentor team via your hall facebook page.