



Tuesday 30th April 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

I am writing to inform you of an exciting event taking place next Tuesday, 7th May. On this day, our Year 4 students will be visited by children and adults from Doncaster School for the Deaf.

During their visit, the pupils from Doncaster School For The Deaf will be sharing insights into their lives as deaf children or individuals with hearing impairment. They will deliver a presentation aimed at fostering understanding among our students, helping them appreciate the experiences and challenges faced by those with hearing differences. This will be followed by an interactive question and answer session before all children participate in communication activities/games designed to promote understanding and teamwork. These activities will not only be fun but will also encourage the children to explore alternative methods of communication.

To conclude this special day, students from both schools will enjoy lunch together. This is a valuable opportunity for children to learn first-hand about diversity, inclusion and the importance of communication in different forms.

Both schools would like to capture the memorable moments from the day and share photos via social media, school website and in school newsletters. If you are happy for your child to have their photo taken during this event, and potentially shared, please opt-in using the Arbor app. It will be under the 'clubs' section due to the way we have had to set it up. To clarify – the consent will be for the photos to be shared on **all the above platforms for both of the schools.**

We believe that events like this play a crucial role in broadening our students' perspectives, fostering empathy and promoting inclusivity within our school community. We encourage you to discuss this upcoming event with your child.

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss M Ryan
Headteacher
Castle Wood Academy

