



VI Team Newsletter



Autumn 1 2024

Welcome back to the new school year!

Please let us know your good news stories or make suggestions for the next newsletter!
You can also contact us with any enquiries at: visualimpairmentteam@rotherham.gov.uk

WIN £10 iTunes Voucher

We are extending our summer themed competition!

As we are loving seeing all your photos, art, and writing entries, we have decided to give you all a little longer to submit your entries!

This competition is open to all ages and abilities and our favourites will be featured in the next newsletter.

The winner receives a £10 iTunes voucher.

Closing date: 1st October

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This is what we have been up to over the holidays.....



- Mrs EB has been seal watching in Northumberland - they are very good at blending in with their surroundings!



- Sarah has enjoyed walking her dog Mollie and trips to the seaside.
- Nicki enjoyed Gloworm festival with her children where they met Bluey and Bingo.

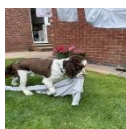


- Mrs Morley has been to Cornwall and enjoyed some walks. She says she has eaten too many Cornish pasties and fish and chips!



- Helen went camping to Wales and climbed Snowdon with her children- it was a very long way to the top.

- Carly went to Scotland in her camper van. She scrambled up a waterfall to find where Hagrid's hut was in Harry Potter films.



- Rachel has enjoyed lots of walks with her dog who enjoys stealing washing and running around the garden with it.

Goodbye Sienna!

We had a wonderful event in the summer term to say goodbye to Sienna who has gone to study music at University. It was emotional for many staff who have known her for a long time, and Sienna entertained us with her musical talents.

Before leaving us, Sienna announced her two songs she has written and recorded are now on streaming platforms. One is a very emotional, beautiful song about her sight loss.

Please have a listen to Sienna's beautiful song, and maybe give her an extra download.

Search for '*what I hear is what I see*'

GOOD NEWS STORIES

- ZK has completed his touch typing! He hasn't found this easy but has been resilient and committed and this has shown in his success!
- AE has had a successful transition to her new school and is loving making new friends there!
- MA has started school for the first time and has taken it all in his stride.
- RP has made a successful transition to secondary school and has been using her advocacy skills- well done!
- LP has started school and has adapted to the change really well.
- JL has started school and charmed everybody with his beautiful big smile.

VI team news

- We are sad to say that Michelle our VI TA left us over the summer. We do however have three new TAs to the team. I am sure you will join us in welcoming Louise, Helen and Rachel to the team. They will be spending time meeting all our wonderful children over the coming weeks.
- Look out for staff profiles for which staff will be working with your child this year. These will be coming out shortly to introduce the staff working with your child so you know a little bit about them.
- Please see attachment for all our upcoming dates!



