



Welcome to Doncaster Deaf Trust Children's Homes Newsletter

February to March 2024

Welcome to this term's newsletter. As usual, we have been super busy, spending time with our friends and participating in a range of different activities. Some of these have been old activities, which we love, and others have been new and exciting activities. Both have been fun! To name but a few, we have been to the museum, the library, the park, bowling, 'Game On' a gaming arcade which had lots of old computer games (the staff said it's what they played with when they were our age, technology has really changed!). Those that live in the North Flat have started Muay Thai, and Dickson house residents have joined a youth club in Castleford, to mix with other Deaf children. We have also continued with football, dance class, drama group and improved our independent skills. Lacey and Ralfs have also had birthdays this half term, so it's been celebrations all round. Take a look at everything else we have been up to...



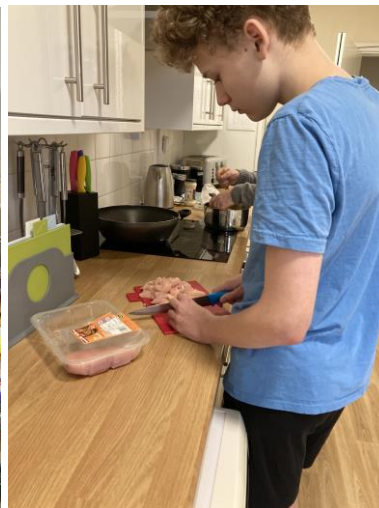
We had our annual Ofsted inspection on the 22nd and 23rd January 2024.

I am pleased to say that we were awarded **OUTSTANDING** for the 7th year running. The staff team continue to work extremely hard to ensure that the overall experiences of our children are positive, nurturing, and safe. As stated by Ofsted:

- Overall experiences and progress of children and young people – **OUTSTANDING**
- How well children and young people are protected - **OUTSTANDING**
- The effectiveness of leaders and managers – **OUTSTANDING**

Have a lovely holiday and see you all when school reopens on Monday 15th April. If you need us during the holidays, email us at dicksonhouse@ddt-deaf.org.uk and one of the team will get back to you.

Life skills...



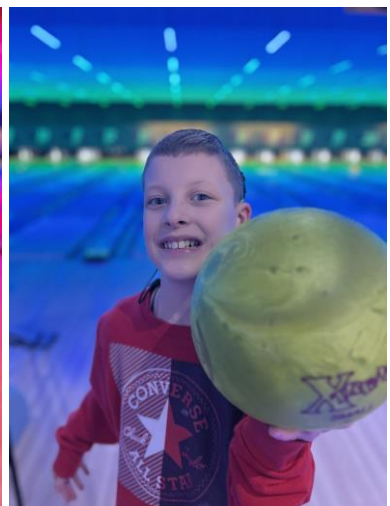
Making Mother's Day cards...



Football training with two Doncaster Rover players!...



Bowling...

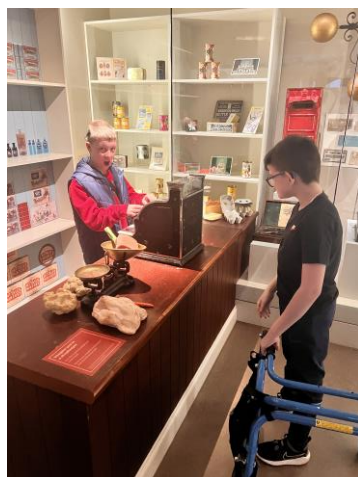
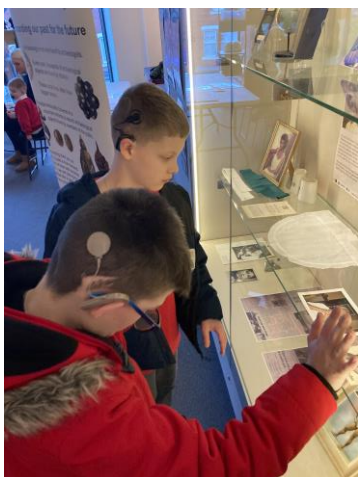


Muay Thai, dance, football, tennis, bikes...





The Library and museum, we love it there!...



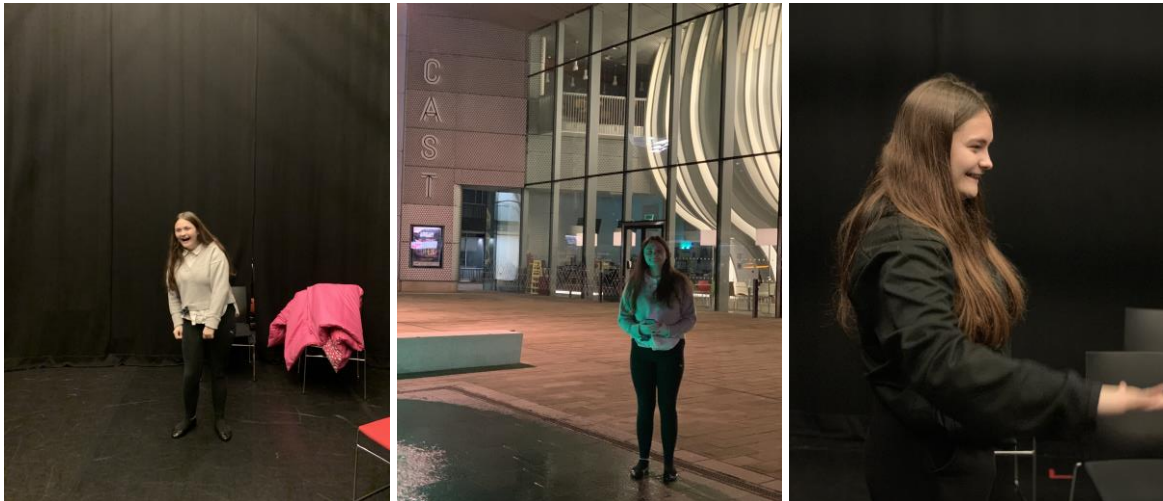
Look what we found at the Museum... Doncaster School for the Deaf!



Castleford Deaf Club where we made new friends...



Drama group at Cast...



'Game on' at Doncaster Dome, retro style!...





Easter egg hunt...



Happy Easter, love Kate and the team xxx