



Principal's Update



18th September 2026



Meet one of our Communication Support Workers

Annalisa has worked in education since the age of 17, beginning with one year of training at The Carr Fenton Foundation. She then completed a degree while bringing her children up and achieved early years practitioner status and became the manager of nurseries and eventually the lead of early years in Doncaster School for Deaf Children. She has now worked as a Communication Support Worker in college for just over 2 years.

Fun facts about Annalisa:

- Her passions include advocating for the Deaf.
- She likes to get involved in supporting the Deaf and coming up with ideas to make lives easier and bring the Deaf community together.
- She loves spending time with her family – she has two children.
- Her parents and sister live in Great Yarmouth.
- She has started a level 6 BSL course and says she is very excited about it.
- She is spiritual.
- She likes to read.

Employment and Personal Skills

Students on the Employment and Personal Skills course are learning how to look and feel work-ready. This is the first time the students have used an iron! Well done!



Bike Service

Some feedback from Sarah Barton, the Headteacher of Doncaster School for Deaf Children, regarding her recent bike service performed by some of our college students and Kieran James:

"I had my bike serviced last week with Kieran and some of his students. The students were really interested and asked what they needed to do to the bike. We chatted about what needed doing. A few days later, Kieran brought me bike back and I hardly recognised it! It looked brand new! Kieran explained what work had been carried out and what to do if my brakes feel like they need altering. It had been cleaned, oiled and adjusted. I feel so much more confident now, knowing that my bike has been checked thoroughly. A fantastic service. I'll definitely be booking it in again and going to Kieran for advice. This is a great service provided by Yorkshire Rose College – thank you."



Jeans for Genes Day

On Tuesday, our staff and students proudly wore their jeans to support Jeans for Genes UK and help raise awareness for children and families affected by genetic conditions. A huge thank you to everyone who took part, donated, and showed their support!



Staff Appreciation



Rachel W would like to nominate Emma Sylvester, saying, "I would like to say thank you to Emma Sylvester for helping me with settling into the role of delivering careers sessions during tutor. She has been very supportive and has given me guidance and confidence."



Dan B would like to nominate Morgan Brown, saying, "Earlier this week we had Morgan supporting in our area. He was excellent, he remembered all the training we had given him last year and as such was able to actively support students with their workshop task today. This enhanced the experience for the students as they could be in smaller groups and have more targeted learning support."

Buddy the Otter



This week, Emma has given Buddy to Laura Lilley, saying, "Laura is always willing to help and provides invaluable support with data, often going above and beyond to ensure tasks are completed accurately and efficiently. Her knowledge, organisation, and willingness to assist save me a significant amount of time, allowing me to focus on other priorities. Laura is approachable, reliable, and a pleasure to work alongside. Her positive attitude and dedication make a real difference."

Preparation for Adulthood



Students from Glenville took part in the Preparation for Adulthood carousel this week which focused on a range of regulation strategies. Lauren, Monica and Amber from the Therapy Team provided opportunities for students to explore different regulation tools helping them identify what they liked and disliked. Students were encouraged to try a variety of strategies to support their self-regulation.