

Slovenian Visitors - Slovenian/BSL exchange - Wed 14th October

On the morning of the 14th October we were lucky enough to have three Slovenian visitors return to our school for the second time, the purpose of the visit was to engage in further sessions in school and to gain an insight into what the pupils achieve during these sessions. The three visitors were:

- Andreja Trtnik Herlec, MSc (Ed, Man) B.Ed/BA

- Dusan Kuhar

- Katja Krajnc



After refreshments, our three visitors participated in a BSL and Slovenian Sign Language Session, with our pupils and staff.

Below is feedback from our visitors about this session:

'The interaction between ourselves and your students went perfectly. This proves that your pupils are excellent communicators and confident young people' A Trtnik Herlec

'I liked the openness of your deaf pupils and the deaf facilities, your pupils were motivated and interested in learning about Slovenia' D Kuhar

'I really enjoyed the session, pupils were very interested in learning about our sign language. The teaching staff were very kind and open, they gave a lot of useful information' K Krajnc

Our visitors then moved on to watch an 'Enquiring Minds Session' Below is feedback from our visitors about the session:

'This type of engagement with students is new to me, and I find it extremely important for building pupils knowledge, language skills, independent learning and thinking' A Trtnik Herlec

'A great idea, we watched and learned a lot, I particularly liked the positive attitude towards fellow students and the school's reward system' D Kuhar

'This was amazing for us, we think this strategy towards learning is great for pupils, you help pupils to develop their confidence and knowledge through experience' K Krajnc

Lastly we asked our visitors for any general feedback in relation to their visit to Oak Lodge: 'I enjoyed very much the family-like environment around lunch and the effort in the preparation of the food. In short a visit to your

school was very energising and motivating for us, keep up the amazing work and your exemplary school culture' A Trtnik Herlec

'On both visits to your school we see a truly touching focus on pupil confidence, and interesting new strategies for us to takeaway with us' D Kuhar

'I'm here for the second time at Oak Lodge and have enjoyed my visit as much, if not more than the first visit. If I lived in London I would very proud to work at Oak Lodge' K Krajnc

