

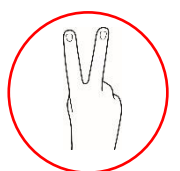


# **Celebrating the launch of the BSL Curriculum for Primary and Secondary Schools**

**1<sup>st</sup> December 2023**

## **Programme**





**1:00pm**

Arrival & Registration  
Stalls / Exhibitions & Networking

**2:00pm**

**Opening Speech**

The Mayor of Camden  
Councillor Nazma Rahman

**“BSL Curriculum for Primary and Secondary Schools”**

Catherine Drew  
Deputy Headteacher, Frank Barnes School for Deaf Children

**“The value of language-learning”**

Oliver Hopwood  
Head of Modern Languages, Westminster School

**“Language Acquisition: Get It?”**

Dr Kate Rowley  
Deafness Cognition and Language (DCAL) Research Centre

**3:00pm**

Refreshment Break

Sweets, Tea and Coffee

**3:30pm**



3:30pm

**“Implementing the BSL Curriculum at Percy”**

Elizabeth T-Morton

BSL/ Deaf Studies Teacher, Percy Shurmer Academy



**“Celebrating the BSL Curriculum – the National Deaf Children’s Society’s perspective”**

Susan Daniels

Chief Executive, National Deaf Children’s Society

**“The Benefits of BSL at King’s Cross Academy”**

Stephen Mitchell, Headteacher & Kay Baxter, Deputy Headteacher  
King’s Cross Academy


**“How can Advisory QToDs use the BSL Curriculum?”**

Martine Monksfield

Past President, BATOD and Advisory QToD for Haringey/Enfield

5:00pm

Savoury Refreshment Break  
Tea and Coffee

Canapés provided by **DEAF UNITED**  **PUNK CHEF**

5:30pm



**5:30pm**



**“BSL Lessons in a Mainstream School”**

Soemaya Elmi, Teaching Assistant and Trainee BSL Teacher  
James Wolfe Primary School with Centre for Deaf Children  
and  
Tina Dhunday, Deaf Instructor and BSL Teacher  
Royal Greenwich Sensory Service

**“Taking BSL Forward”**

Rebecca Mansell  
Chief Executive Officer, British Deaf Association

**“Celebrating BSL at Frank Barnes School”**


Dani Sive  
Headteacher, Frank Barnes School for Deaf Children

**“BSL Curriculum Next Steps and Closing Speech”**

Catherine Drew  
Deputy Headteacher, Frank Barnes School for Deaf Children

**6:45pm**

BSL Cake and Celebratory Drinks

BSL Cake provided by  PUNK CAKE

**7:00pm – Close**





## Acknowledgements



Curriculum

A huge thank you to all who contributed to the launch:



Frank Barnes School Launch Organisers: Catherine Drew, Lisa Smith and Mischa Cooke.



Yellow T-Shirt Volunteers for working the floor: Eleni Botonaki, Hiral Shah, Ashley Hodgkinson and Fahmida Akther. Including Emily Crowe for the Insta Props.



King's Cross Academy and Frank Barnes School Business and Facilities Teams.



BSL Interpreters: Matthew Banks, Kam Deo, Sandy Deo, Jo Ross and Louise Wilks.



Tia Rosa for the hall decorations.



Punk Chef for the savoury canapés.



Belissima for the balloon arch.



Punk Cake for the BSL Cake.



The Mayor of Camden, Councillor Nazma Rahman for the Opening Speech.

and all the speakers for their presentations.

Thank you to the exhibitors for their support:



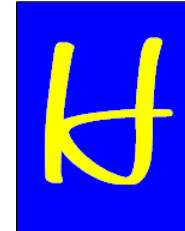
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