

Friday 7th February 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Next half term Year 4 have a member of Nottingham Trent University coming in to deliver oracy sessions. These sessions are an hour long and will take place over four weeks.

What is oracy?

Oracy is the ability to communicate effectively by articulating ideas, develop understanding and engage with others through spoken language. Our aim is to overcome communication barriers and enable children to be confident and effective communicators. At the heart of good oracy is the dialogic classroom: a classroom rich in talk, in which questions are planned, peer conversations are modelled and scaffolded and the teacher uses talk skilfully to develop thinking. There are a range of opportunities for children to develop confidence in talk and to learn how to analyse and discuss effective communication skills. Oracy develops children's confidence, fluency and readiness to learn. There are two core elements to oracy:

1. Learning through talk – quality of talk in the classroom
2. Learning to talk – explicit teaching of skills

Today your child will take home a data form outlining how the data will be collected used. Please could you fill this out and return it back to the class teacher. This is a great opportunity for the children.

If you have any questions, please do ask a member of the Year 4 team.

Kind Regards,

Year 4



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