

Gillamoor children wear Purple for Deaf Awareness Week

The 15 – 21 May was Deaf awareness week and on Friday 18 May pupils and staff wore something purple.

Over the last few months, the children have been finding out about how to communicate with deaf people.

Speak clearly and naturally. Not too slowly or too loudly.

Be sure you have their attention before you start to speak.

Be sure to face them so they can see your mouth

Never give up or say 'I'll tell you later.'

If using a mic be sure to turn it off if you are not speaking to the deaf person.

A Year 6 pupil, Elisabeth said, ' we came dressed in purple today for Deaf Awareness Week and we have been learning about how to speak to deaf people. One of the things I learned is to always speak clearly and when you are using a microphone turn it off if you have buttons on your top as it scratches and crackles in to the deaf persons ears.'

'It is important for us to show consideration for anyone who has a difficulty or disability. This week fitted in perfectly with our ethos of caring for others.'

