

Our Ref: 085/19

10th September 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you that your child has been selected to take part in one of our intervention programmes known as **Talking Partners**. Talking Partners is a programme designed to improve the way children communicate across the curriculum, enabling them to be independent and skilful speakers and listeners. It's a targeted, time-limited (10 weeks) intervention that can be used with the whole class, small groups or individuals.

By providing opportunities to practice and rehearse target language through a range of focused activities, pupils develop their independent skills to become good communicators. Talking Partners is a structured oral language programme providing part of an integrated approach to raise levels of achievement by improving children's speaking and listening skills.

Talking Partners also helps children to become more confident and competent users of English. It encourages them to listen more actively and talk for a range of purposes and draws particular attention to the links between oracy and literacy.

The sessions will take place each week, with our Talking Partners trained Education Support Assistant.

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. Kavanagh', followed by a period. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Mrs N. Kavanagh

(SENDCO)