

Deaf
Awareness
Week 2022



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We know that Deaf comes with many challenges, and many people in our community feel like their struggles are unseen. Because Deaf isn't visible, individuals with Deaf often feel unsupported, unwanted, and unseen.

This can happen to the child at school struggling to keep up with their friends, or to the office worker feeling like they don't belong.

Deaf also too often goes hand-in-hand with other invisible challenges. People can struggle with their mental health. There can be discrimination in the workplace. Legislation fails to consider the deaf perspective. Underrepresented groups become lost.

That's why this Deaf Awareness Week (2-8 May 2022) we are focusing on Inclusion Deafness, to explore the theme of inclusion within our community. We'll highlight the importance of mental health, increase visibility of underrepresented groups, and raise serious issues of Deaf being overlooked within education and the workplace.

Thank you for joining our work and for helping us to create a deaf friendly society where everyone is recognised, valued and appreciated.

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Your Guide to Deaf Awareness Week

Download our poster and resources



We've created a Deaf Awareness Week poster that we'd love to see displayed in classrooms, assembly halls and staff rooms across the UK. It's a great way to raise awareness and encourage people to learn more about Deaf.

↓ Download

Step 1

You can also download free educational resources which we have put together for Twinkl for Deaf Awareness Week 2022.

Share your story

Your voice matters.

As a member of the deaf community your input is so important to us. We believe that everyone

with Deafness has a unique story and the power to create positive change. Which is why we invite you to share your story with us during

Deaf Awareness Week.



Step 2

Find out how to do on website: Ukcod.org

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Show us what Deaf and mental health can look and feel like



Step 3

Explaining how it feels to have Deafness can be difficult to put into words. This Deaf Awareness Week we are asking our community and supporters to consider what Deaf looks like.

That might take the form of painting or drawing or recording a piece to camera talking about **how Deaf makes you feel**.

Get creative and share with us what Deaf means to you!



Send your submissions to 'info@ukcod.org' and we will share a selection throughout the week on social media.

DOWNLOAD for free our **ACTIVITY SHEET** on this which is suitable for school children and use during a lesson.



Print this out for your class to complete during a lesson, and build your own gallery in your classroom.

We would LOVE to see your results!



You can share your galleries with us by sending a photograph to us or by tagging us on social media.

FIIND US ON: Tweeter, linked in.



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Take up our visibility challenge!

We are challenging teachers to take up two challenges with their pupils during Deaf Awareness Week

1) Share your top tips on inclusivity with your pupils - How can we make sure that everybody has a voice? How can we support our peers in making sure they feel valued and listened to? Encourage pupils to think about this during a lesson by sharing with them our downloadable poster, pack and drawing sheet.



Find out how to do on website: <https://ukcod.org>

2) Arrange an Inclusion Deafness event in your school - this could be an assembly sharing our Deaf facts PowerPoint, or by sharing posters in the school, or by arranging a dedicated discussion time during the schoolday to talk about Deaf Inclusion.

Whether it's part of a school assembly or a half an hour session in the classroom, it's a great way to bring pupils and staff together and educate them on the challenges that Deafness often comes with. We have a handy PowerPoint presentations that you can share with your school!

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Get social and spread the word!

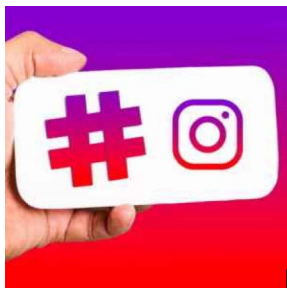


We want to see all the amazing activities you're doing this week, so please share it!

Step 5

Here are some ways you can help spread the word and raise awareness this week.

LET'S
DO IT!

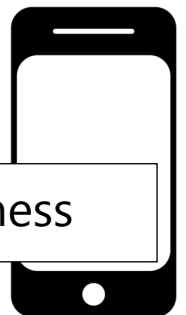


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