

Claire Lomas MBE- Motivational Guest Speaker

On Friday this week, live in our online assembly, we are lucky enough to have the inspirational, Claire Lomas, joining us. You may have seen her on the news for her many incredible achievements. For example, although paralysed from the chest down, she amazingly, walked the London marathon in 17 days in a specially designed robotic suit which helped her to walk!

She will be talking to the whole school about her incredible journey under our theme of this term's core value - **resilience**. The children will be watching a film about her before Friday and thinking of questions to ask Claire after her talk.

Here is a link to the video we will be showing: <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=NeLaxYu296s>

Claire has raised a huge amount of money for various charities herself. In October, she'll be taking part in the London Marathon yet again, for one of her chosen charities, 'Whizz-Kidz'. They help provide amazing wheelchairs for children, to help improve their quality of life and help them achieve their goals.

As Claire is helping our children at Boldmere, free of charge, we have offered to help raise money for Whizz-Kidz, by taking on the challenge of completing a marathon of our own! The school will collectively drive themselves 26.2 miles in a wheelchairs! The children will all take it in turns during their PE session next week, to complete one circuit of our large playground in a wheelchair. We are hoping to get our hands on as many child-sized wheelchairs as we can! New Oscott Primary School are very kindly lending us theirs and we have been allowed to borrow an adult one from 'Midshires Sutton Mobility' shop. If anyone has one we could borrow we'd be extremely grateful!

We will ensure we sanitise the chairs between each driver and the children will be required to sanitise their hands also. There will be one year group taking part each day.

We will be sending home a Whizz-kids sponsor form. Please try and get as many sponsors as you can for this fantastic cause. The top three fundraisers will receive a prize provided by Claire herself! We will be setting up a Whizz-Kidz donations page on ParentPay, for when the children have completed their challenge and have collected their sponsors.

Thank you so much for all your support!

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30 years of moving lives forward

Mrs Churchill

