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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very excited to share that former Olympic sprinter, James Dasaolu, will be visiting Scissett Middle School on Wednesday 11th February. As well as representing Team GB at the London 2012 Olympic Games, James is a double Commonwealth Gold Medallist. In 2013, he became the second fastest Briton in history across 100m, with a time of 9.91 seconds.

As part of his visit, James will give an inspirational assembly to all students where he will show his medals, tell his story and give a message of resilience. He will also talk about nutrition and the importance of sports in living a healthy lifestyle. The assembly will finish with a Q&A session.

Then, throughout the day, each form class will participate in a short, sponsored fitness circuit, supervised by James. Students have each been given a sponsorship form to bring home.

60% of all money raised will be kept by Scissett Middle School, which we will be using to invest in sports equipment for the benefit of all students.

40% of the money raised will be given to *Sports For Champions*, the organisation through which we have organised this visit. Their portion of the money will go to supporting young, emerging athletes with their training costs and competition fees, medical costs, equipment, and more.

As detailed on the sponsorship form, there are prizes for reaching certain targets. **However, no student will be excluded from any part of James' visit if they do not raise any sponsorship money.**

Please can all sponsorship forms and cash donations be returned to school by **Wednesday 4th February**. If you wish to sponsor electronically, there is a QR on the sponsorship form, or you [can use this link](#). On Wednesday 11th February, students will need to wear their PE kit for the full day.

We hope a visit from James Dasaolu will be a hugely memorable highlight of our students' time at Scissett Middle School. The equipment purchased through sponsorship money will mean the benefit of his visit is felt for years to come.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,
Michael Osborne
Associate Senior Leader

