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## Oracy Club

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you may be aware, the teaching of oracy in schools has recently become a key focus in helping pupils prepare for life beyond the classroom. At our school, we are committed to embedding oracy skills across the curriculum to ensure that our pupils develop the confidence and ability to express themselves clearly and effectively.

With this in mind, we are very fortunate to have a parent in our school community, Maddy Allen, who is an expert in this field. Maddy Allen is the co-owner of The Keynote Club [[www.thekeynoteclub.com](http://www.thekeynoteclub.com)], a business that supports and coach's individuals around the world in developing public speaking and communication skills.

We're thrilled that Maddy has kindly offered to run an **after-school oracy club** for **Year 6 pupils** from w/c 13<sup>th</sup> October to the 1<sup>st</sup> of December. The club will focus on building confidence, improving speaking skills, and helping pupils become strong public speakers.

After reviewing the programme of sessions with Maddy, I'm genuinely excited about this fantastic opportunity and will be involved in supporting the sessions as well.

The club is open to **all Year 6 pupils**, and we would love for every child to take part. Sessions will run on **Mondays from 3:15pm to 4:15pm**, starting on **Monday 13th October**.

To confirm your child's attendance, please sign up via **School Spider**.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please don't hesitate to get in touch with me.

Kind regards,

Miss Baines