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Monday 7th July 2014: 9.00-4.00

Presented by Maurice Sparrow

Maurice is the Westminster Advisory Teacher for visually impaired children in the Outreach Team, which is based at QE II Jubilee School. He works with children and young people in schools and homes advising and supporting families, teachers and support staff.

Morning Workshop 9.15-12.45

- **Vision and Vision Impairment (AV Presentation): MS.** Exploring a range of issues to do with seeing & vision, including the challenges and potential solutions for all who work in a supporting role. Categories of visual impairment with reference to the main causes of vision loss. How the eye works. What is vision? The role of vision in development. The implications and impact of poor vision on development and learning. Strategies for supporting children in school. Try out spectacles that simulate the world of VI.
- **iPads & VI: Neil Jones (Greycoats School).** How to set up an iPad for a VI pupil.
- **Living with Nystagmus: John Sanders.** John is a free-lance journalist and writer, who works part-time for the Nystagmus Network charity.

Afternoon Workshop 1.30-4.00

- **Year 7 with a Visual Impairment.** Hear a most inspirational talk from an eleven year old pupil with albinism, at the end of his first year at secondary school talking about the challenges of being visually impaired in school. He will demonstrate some technology he uses and one of the most practical tools ever designed for pupils in school.
- **Sarah Caffrey, a Paralympic Athlete.** Sarah took part in the 2012 Paralympics as part of the Irish rowing team and is currently in training for the triathlon.



Sarah is a powerful advocate for visually impaired children. Sarah will share her experiences of growing up with no experience of colour and with a severely reduced ability to see at distance, yet succeeding throughout her education in County Clare, Ireland, with sheer determination and an incredibly well trained memory. Hearing Sarah you will go away with a better understanding of what it is like to live with a sight disability and a conviction that there is no obstacle that cannot be overcome.

Who can apply: Open to all; relevant to those supporting children with vision impairment, also ideal for parents & young people with vision impairment.

Cost:

£35 to Tri-Borough schools (Westminster, Hammersmith & Fulham, Kensington & Chelsea).

£75 for out of borough participants

Refreshments & Lunch are provided

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