



## West End Academy

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Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Dear Parent or Guardian,

We're very excited to be welcoming Invictus and Commonwealth Competitor Sean Gaffney to the school on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026**.

Sean will be leading a sponsored fitness circuit with all pupils, followed by a motivational assembly, and Q&A session. The aim of the event is to inspire the pupils to be more physically active, but just as importantly, encourage them to discover and pursue their passion in life.

The event will both connect the pupils to an extraordinary athlete role model and raise money for new sports equipment in the school, as well as supporting both athletes and para-athletes, so that they can continue to inspire the next generation.



Attached is a sponsorship form for your child to use to help raise money for the event. You can also sponsor your child by visiting: **www.greatathletes.org** and clicking on the button "Set up a Fundraiser Page". Alternatively, you can scan the QR code to go directly to the online sponsorship page.

As a thank you, pupils will receive the following thank-you gifts for meeting these milestones:

- **Raise any money:** an A5 sheet of motivational stickers
- **Raise £10 or more:** a blue Great Athletes wristband
- **Raise £25 or more:** a blue wristband, and a red wristband with Sean Gaffney's signature
- **Raise £50 or more:** all of the above, plus a signed Sean Gaffney poster

Please ensure that the sponsorship form and money are returned to the school office **1 week** after the event has taken place.

Please also make sure that your children come to school on the event day with their PE Kits!

Thank you in anticipation of creating a terrific and memorable event.

Yours sincerely,

Mr C Johnson  
Head Teacher

