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## Friday 4 April 2025

Dear Colleague,

Following the success of last year's St Giles #Sharefest, which saw over 50 colleagues from schools across Bassetlaw and beyond experience our curriculum and life-changing practice approach, we would like to invite you to our next event on Wednesday 14 May 2025.

As part of the event, you will have an opportunity to network with colleagues from across the County, to discuss with senior leaders at St Giles about SEND provision and develop a practical understanding of how we implement our Curriculum across both our specialist sites.

We understand there is a significant number of pupils who are entering 'plan do review' cycles, waiting for an EHCP needs assessment, or a special school place. Sometimes ask ourselves questions like; "what more can I do, how do we keep this going, what would another school do differently, how would a special school be different"?

Together, we all have a shared desire to ensure that no matter which school a child attends or the level of their needs they receive educational practice which is life-changing (information attached).

During this year's #ShareFest you can opt to visit either our North or South Site to experience how we develop total communication across the breadth of our curriculum. St Giles South caters for pupils aged 3 - 18 with complex learning difficulties and disabilities across the broadest spectrum of needs. Learners work semi-formally or pre-formally. St Giles North caters for pupils aged 10 -18 who work more formally and who have severe or moderate learning difficulties including associated SEMH needs. We have attached cohort information to help you decide which site will be most beneficial. The event will be mirrored across both sites.

- St Giles South: Meet with leaders, #Sharefest and further discussion From 15:15 17:15. •
- St Giles North: Meet with leaders, #Sharefest and further discussion From 15:15 17:15. •

If you would like to join this collective conversation please email your name, role, and school to ShareFest@st-giles.notts.sch.uk

We can't wait to hear from you!

Sarah Taylor **Deputy Head Teacher** 









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