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Dear Parents,

We wanted to let you know about a video that the children watched in assembly today. It covers a medical condition called Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy which is what one of our current Year 2 pupils has, Cody Anderson.

With the full support of the Cody's parents, we wanted to show the video to the school so there is a better understanding of the condition. Also to explain the reasoning why there may be more equipment in school such as wheelchairs, special seats, frames etc.

It is a condition where the muscles slowly get weaker. Medication helps to keep the muscles as strong as possible but they have side effects such as being shorter in height in comparison to peers.

However, as the little boy in the video describes he is just a normal person as is Cody – it doesn't stop him "from being me" such as playing and arguing with my siblings. The boy in the video also describes how "it is part of me, but it doesn't define me".

We hope by sharing this, there will be a greater understanding about the condition, and also help Cody and his family.

Many thanks

Kind Regards

Mrs Statham

