Dear Parent / carer

Bramcote College – British Sign Language

We are pleased to offer to all of our students the opportunity to work towards the Level 1 Award British Sign Language. This qualification is designed to teach learners to communicate with Deaf people in British Sign Language (BSL) on a range of topics that involve simple, everyday language use. They will gain basic skills and confidence in production and reception of BSL.

The qualification is divided into three units, each of which can be achieved separately. Learners who are new to BSL should cover BSL101 first, as units BSL102 and BSL103 build on this knowledge.

<u>Course Dates and times</u> The course will run on a Thursday evening during term time from 3.40pm to 5.00pm. If there is sufficient demand then we will set up a second weekly session which will run on a Wednesday at the same time. Students would attend one session per week. It is intended that the first of the exams, Unit 101, will be taken in the Spring term before Easter.

<u>Start date</u> The start date for the course will be the week beginning 5th November.

Fees

Tuition fees - for all Federation Students lesson are funded by the Trust.

Registration fees – are met by the student. For students new to BSL a registration fee of ± 25.00 is payable at the beginning of the course and is non-refundable. If you continue to study additional units there will be an additional ± 25.00 registration fee per unit.

Exam fees for each Unit exam are as follows and are met by the Trust:-

- BSL Unit 101 £21
- BSL Unit 102 £36
- BSL Unit 103 £36

<u>Attendance</u> The recommended guided learning hours for Unit 1 is 20 hours of lesson time please an additional 10 hours of study. To meet these minimum recommendations attendance at all lessons is vital.

If you are interested then please can you complete and return the attached consent form.

I look forward to hearing from you and should you have any additional queries please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours faithfully

Melissa Rigley Head of Year 12 and 6th Form Administrator