

Royal National Institute for Deaf People (RNID)
Kinghan & Jordanstown Schools
'Then and Now'

This project was unique and the first of its kind, bringing together older and younger people from the deaf community. The RNID played a big part in supporting the project and also the application process. The older people are members of the Kinghan Church lunch club and the younger participants attend Jordanstown schools. The title of the project was 'Then and Now' focusing on deafness through the years. The two age groups got on very well together and enjoyed participating in fun activities such as games, fancy dress and hat making and also more structured group work involving looking at issues affecting both young and older deaf people, citizenship and history. At present a booklet is being produced to celebrate the project and it is planned to have a launch event in June.



***It was very good to see kids coming together with older ones, to know what they need to know and to learn about the background of our lives as well as theirs.
Hope that the project will lead to them being better citizens.***

It was a great experience to meet the older people and to hear their stories about what it was like in school when they were young.