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Dear Dr Vickers

August 2024 sees the start of 12 months of celebrations to mark a significant milestone in the history of accessibility and literacy with the 200th anniversary of the invention by Louis Braille of the Braille system. In the early 1820s, at the age of 15, Louis Braille, who himself was visually impaired, introduced a revolutionary tactile writing system that would empower millions of blind and visually impaired individuals worldwide.

The Braille system, comprised of raised dots representing letters and numbers, opened a new world of possibilities for blind and partially sighted people, providing them with a means to read, write, and communicate independently. Two centuries later, Braille continues to be a crucial tool, fostering inclusivity and equal opportunities for blind and partially sighted people worldwide.

Louis Braille's legacy transcends physical barriers, with his system enriching the lives of countless individuals who can navigate the world through the touch of their fingertips.

RNIB Scotland thought that a fitting tribute to mark this 200th anniversary might be the naming of any streets in new build developments, or any new buildings after Louis Braille, and wondered if this might be a possibility?

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