

School Update

Dear Parents/Carers

This week year 6 have had their mock SATS in reading and maths. These practise tests are really important as they allow both pupils and teachers to see where there are any gaps in their learning.

We can then provide further teaching and support on these topics. Perhaps, more importantly, the mock SATs have allowed the children to see how the tests are run including the rooms used, test instructions and timings. This will really help in reducing any nervousness or anxiety that pupils might be feeling when they sit the real tests in May. We are grateful for everyone's efforts in supporting this work - parents, teachers, support staff and of course pupils - including all of our other children who respected the fact that year 6 were working on their tests.

This week has also seen 'bikeability' courses being run in school for both Year 5 and 7 respectively. This helps to teach pupils about the essential skills and road safety needed when riding their bicycles. Thank you again to the visiting instructors, staff for organising the event and, of course, the participating pupils.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr Brynley Evans
Acting headteacher

Check out these links

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL PARENTS/CARERS

We are a Trick Box School!

TRICK BOX[®]

WHAT IS TRICK BOX?

We all need a few tricks up our sleeves.

It's not always easy being a young person working out who you are and how to navigate challenges and changes in the world.

Building Happy Life Habits

Trick Box is a simple, evidenced based, whole school, whole journey, emotional management and personal development programme. It supports children, young people and their families from pre-school to sixth form. Each programme, which is available across the Academy Trust, (Early Years to KS5) builds on the others but also stands alone.

We are utilising this programme in school to support the mental health and wellbeing of your children. In TRICK BOX time, children will be taught a series of 'tricks' to help them deal with everyday situations.

In KS2, these tricks are printed on cards and used throughout the school. If you would like box of TRICK BOX cards to use with your child at home, then please order these via [ParentPay](#). They are very reasonably priced at £3.

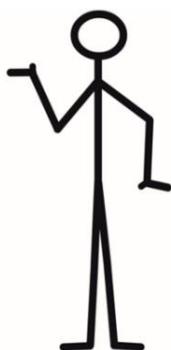


to purchase a ParentPay.

In KS3, children will be provided with a journal to be filled with the tricks. An overview of termly habits and tricks will be provided that they can reflect on when further support is needed for their well-being.

Years 5 and 6- The 4 C's

The Trick Box programme develops personal skills in 4 key areas



Trick Box programmes from Reception to year 6 develop personal skills in 4 key areas through positive habit formation.

Children develop self-coaching skills and use tricks from their Trick Box to help them manage everyday life.

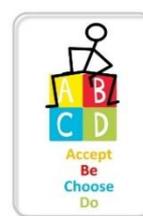
Teachers use the tricks in class and parents are able to practise these with their children at home (cards are available to order).

introduced and practised regularly everyone is confident about using Trick Box offers the personal skills need to not only manage ourselves but to take up positive opportunities and thrive!



24 Tricks

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Self-Coaching Model

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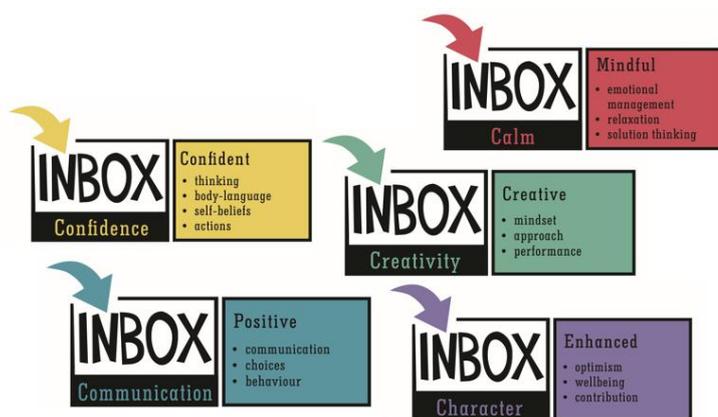
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This programme is already in place in some of our first schools and will be in all our trust schools imminently.

Years 7 and 8- Inbox

The Inbox programme for KS3-5 (Middle years 7-8) is all about developing personal habits and skills in 5 key areas (building on the skills already practised with Trick Box).



Less is more

Developing personal habits doesn't have to be hard work. Inbox tricks in the 5 key areas are introduced weekly, building on the skills learnt previously with Trick Box.

The habit-based tricks develop progressive skills and subskills in line with age-related experiences and development.

This programme will then continue if they transition to Wolgarston High School or The Rural Enterprise

Academy.

Independence is key

The Inbox programme encourages young people to build individual strengths.

Using a self-coaching model alongside the habit-based tricks helps to manage challenges in the here and now and create motivating for the future.

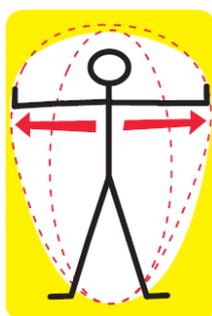
Everyone is unique and we all need to find our own paths

Some young people may prefer to keep which tricks they're practising to themselves. Some may wish to share with parents/carers and gain further support. The family can choose to work on some tricks together. Others prefer to talk to peers or get a little extra help from staff.

We are very pleased to be introducing this programme and hope that we see the benefits soon. Please do not forget to order your Trick Box cards for KS2 children, via ParentPay.



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I can do new things with a little 'stretch.'

KS2 TRICK BOX example:

This strategy focuses on 'optimal anxiety'.



Accelerated Reader and MyOn

Most words read this week are:

- 1.) Emily R 5SE- 231,267
- 2.) Jessica E 6AG- 199,228
- 3.) Molly C 5CWK- 199,483
- 4.) Ethan P 8AC- 86, 109
- 5.) (Joint) Connie G and Aimee T 6CA- 62, 963

Most quizzes taken in each year group this week:

5SE -39 quizzes taken

6AG- 8 quizzes taken

7KM- 7 quizzes taken

8AC- 3 quizzes taken

Well done to everyone who has taken a quiz this week. Who will be on the leader board next?

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KS2 Spelling Shed

Every week, students are set spellings by their English teacher. As well as having spellings on paper to practise at home, each child also has been provided with a paid-for account on the website



"Spelling Shed" so that they can practise spelling games as part of their homework. All of the points that students win in each class are totalled weekly to form the league.

See this weeks table below.

Groups League - Penkridge Middle School (#80456)

Pos	Group	Group Score
1.	6CA/EN with Mrs Ashelford	121,982,522
2.	6TG/EN with Ms Powers	38,234,743
3.	5JB/EN with Mrs Baker	12,463,136
4.	5CWK/EN with Mrs Walker	8,597,040
5.	6AG/EN with Mrs Gutteridge	5,993,257
6.	5DGM/EN with Mrs Gutteridge	5,183,398
7.	6RK/EN with Mrs Baker	3,019,252
8.	5SE/EN with Ms Evans	2,875,232
9.	Y5 CS/EN Mrs Swift's Group	183,880
10.	Y6MM/EN Mr Meir's Group	41,860

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0-19 Health and Wellbeing Services

NHS
Midlands Partnership
NHS Foundation Trust
A Keele University Teaching Trust

5 -19 Children's Health Information

East Hub (East Staffs, Cannock, Lichfield, Rugeley, Tamworth) **0300 303 3924**
West Hub (Moorlands, Newcastle, Seisdon, Stafford, Stone) **0300 303 3923**
Chat Health County:
Text: 07520 615722
Chat Health Parent Text Line County:
Text: 07520 615722



Stoke Hub (all localities in Stoke)
0300 404 2993

Chat Health Text Line Stoke:
07520 615 723

Chat Health Parent Text Line Stoke:
Coming Soon

For young people living in Staffordshire
Text: 07520 615721

Health for
Teens



Sexual Health



Sexual Health
Clinics



Drugs & Alcohol
Advice



Quit Smoking



Gender identity



Growth & Weight



Exam Stress



Online Safety



Emotional Health



Continence



FHWS 0-19



To give us
Feedback:



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Parent guide
12 - 19 years



Parent guide
5 - 11 years



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Easter Holidays

Monday 11th April 2022

AM

During the morning we will be walking to the Hailing Dene to play some group games

PM

Film afternoon with treats, hot chocolate or milkshake

Tuesday 12th April 2022

Full Day Trip

Today we will be going to Lower Drayton Farm to meet the animals and play on their play area

Please remember you packed lunch

Wednesday 13th April 2022

AM

This morning we will be getting busy with our Easter craft morning.

PM

During the afternoon we will go to find some big stones to do some Easter stone painting.

To book with #SORTED for the half please follow the link below

Please provide your child with packed lunch and water for the days that your child attends unless otherwise stated

Thursday 14th April 2022

AM

During the morning we will be making some Easter nests out of chocolate. We will also be making some Easter baskets for all our cooking creations.

PM

During the afternoon we will be making our Easter eggs. What will yours have inside?

Friday 15th April 2022

AM

Closed for Bank Holiday

PM

Closed for Bank Holiday

Monday 18th April 2022

AM

Closed for Bank Holiday

PM

Closed for Bank Holiday

Tuesday 19th April 2022

AM

During the morning we will be making our own wind chime to take home.

PM

During the afternoon we will be making a bird box for our family garden

Monday 18th April 2022

AM

Closed for Bank Holiday

PM

Closed for Bank Holiday

Wednesday 20th April 2022

AM

There will be a morning trip to Haughton ice cream farm.

There will be chance to have some ice cream and see the animals around the working farm.

To book with #SORTED for the half please follow the link below

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Thursday 21st April 2022

AM

On Thursday morning we will be having a go at some tag rugby and penalty shoot out

PM

During the Afternoon we will be joining together in groups for team building activities.

Friday 22nd April 2022

AM

On Friday morning will be making some chocolate muffins

PM

During the afternoon we will be making some smarties cookies

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Extra-curricular clubs at PMS - Spring 2 (28th Feb-8th Apr 2022)

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL	LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL	LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL	LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL	LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL
Drama Club (AGu) All years Y6 Quad	All Years Choir (RCT) - Music Music Room	English homework club (AP) All years ICT Suite	Art Club (CW) All years ART Room	TT Rockstars (TG) Y5 ICT Suite	KS3 Interational Film club KS3 (LW/AT) 1 film per half term Rm 74	TT Rockstars (RK) Y6 ICT Suite	Code Club (LM) Y8 ICT suite	Book Club Y7/Y8 Rm 52 (SE)	
All years Newspaper Club - (LK) Library	Y7/Y8 Netball - PE dept. (SH)	Eagle club (Learning mentors +CS) M1	KS3 Science club (MW, AC) Science dept. starting 08/03/22	Student leadership training - (SS) Room 84/Playground	3D craft club Y5 & Y6 - Room 61 (MM)	German language club Y7/Y8 Room 82 (AT/SS)	Cooking club - KS3 (SM)- Soft DT room - starting 10/03/22	Eagle club (Learning mentors +CS) M1	
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All years Homework club - (Learning mentors) ICT suite		KS2 Word Wizards club - (JB) - ICT suite	All years Running/X-C club - (SS) - Field 3:20pm-4:00pm	All years Homework club - (Learning mentors) ICT suite	Speakers club - PMS Speaks up! (CA/DGM) - Rm 51	All years Homework club - (Learning mentors) ICT suite	Y5/Y6 Football - PE dept. (AG/ZP)	Choco Loto - Y6 & Y8 / Y7 & Y5 alternate weeks (LW) Rm 74	
Y8 Netball - (SH) - Playground			Y5/Y6 Dance club - (KB) - Hall - fee applicable		Y5/Y6 Tag rugby - (ZP) - Field	Y6 Netball - (SH) - Playground		Y7 Netball - (SH) - Playground	

