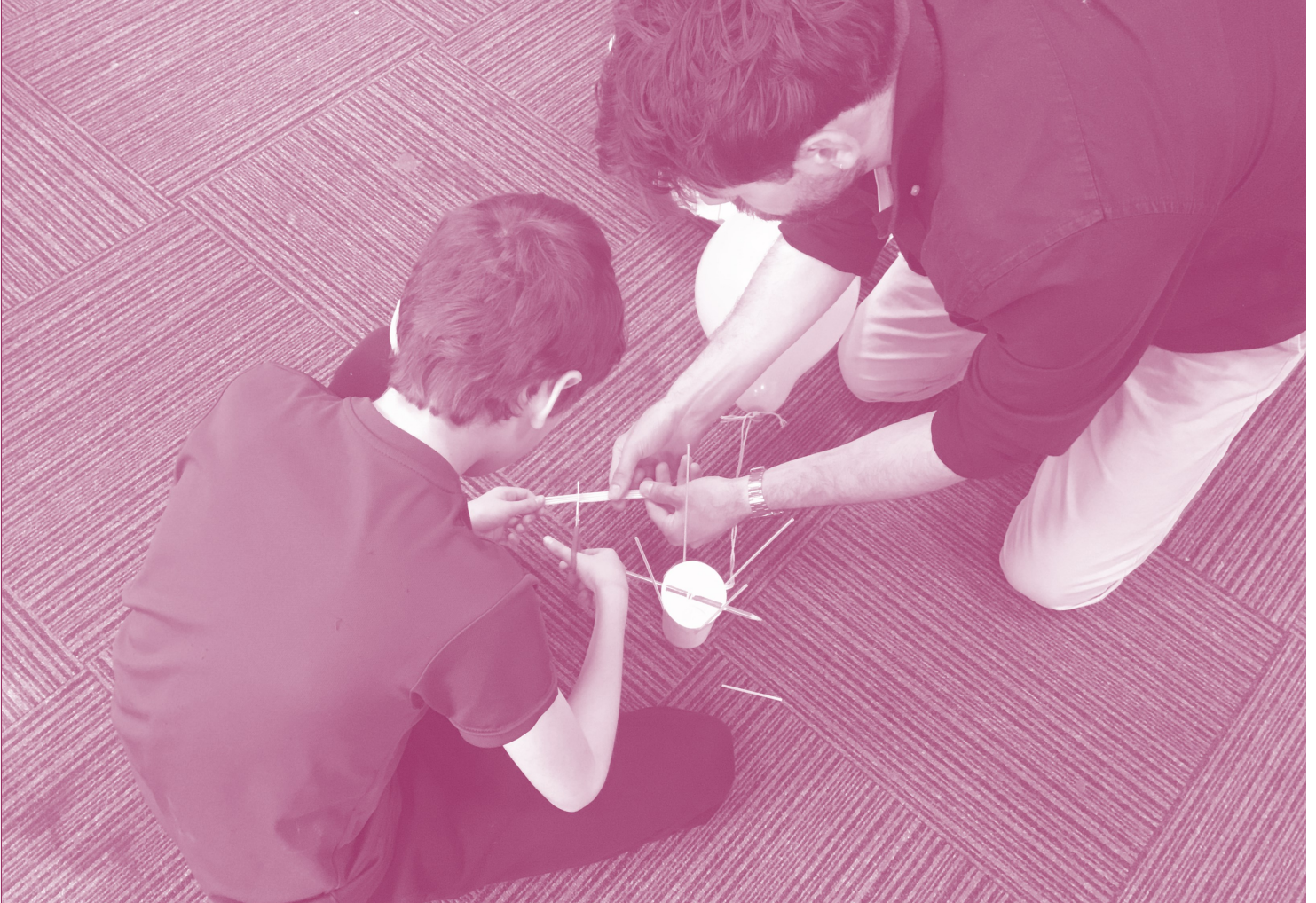




MacIntyre Academies
Quest Academy

JUNE 2024 EDITION 1 NEWSLETTER



“Quote of the week”

“My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive, and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humour, and some style.”

- Maya Angelou

Book of the Week

I Love You When You're Angry

by Erin Winters (Author), Kaitin Bucher (Illustrator)

I love you when you're angry
I love you when you're sad
I love you when we both have days
That try to drive us mad!



Reading age



Baby - 6 years

This heartwarming book affirms over and over that a parent or caregiver's love is unconditional. Watch your child's eyes light up at the adorable animal illustrations, and their worries be calmed by the encouraging reminder that good days and bad days end the same - with an "I love you, now sleep tight!"

Written by Licensed Professional Counsellor Erin Winters, this book normalizes emotions, promotes unconditional love for children, grace for parents, and provides a feelings chart with interactive questions in the back. Appropriate for biological and blended families alike, and trauma sensitive.

Starving the Anger Gremlin: A Cognitive Behavioural Therapy

Workbook on Anger Management for Young People

by Kate Collins-Donnelly (Author)

Meet the anger gremlin: a troublesome pest whose favourite meal is your anger, and the more he eats the angrier you get! There's only one way to stop him: starve him of angry feelings and behaviours, and make him disappear.

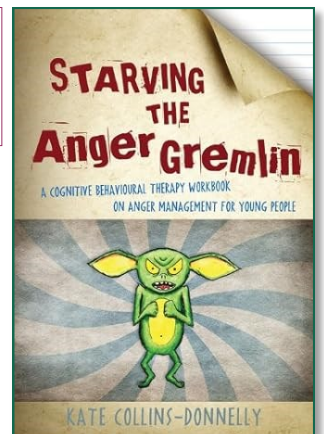
This imaginative workbook shows young people how to starve their anger gremlin and control their anger effectively. Made up of engaging and fun activities, it helps them to understand why they get angry and how their anger affects themselves and others, and teaches them how to manage angry thoughts and behaviours. The tried-and-tested programme, based on effective cognitive behavioural therapy principles, can be worked through by a young person on their own or with a practitioner or parent, and is suitable for children and young people aged 10+.

Starving the Anger Gremlin is easy to read and fun to complete, and is an ideal anger management resource for those working with young people including counsellors, therapists, social workers and school counsellors, as well as parents.

Reading age



10 + years



WHEN THE SUN IS SHINING:

As well as remembering to bring in **water bottles** please consider how sun can affect in other ways. Please can we ask parents/carers to ensure that **sun cream** is applied before learners arrive at school and bring a

hat/cap if possible.



ACADEMIC YEAR 2023 - 2024

SUMMER TERM 2024

Questival (families welcome)

Friday 19th July, Time TBC

Ends

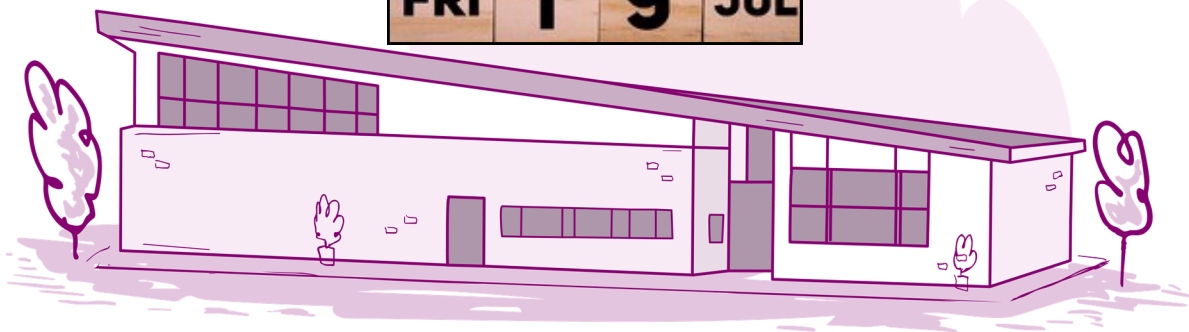
Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Save the Date

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*Time TBC

FRI 19 JUL



Please be aware there will be no provision for learners to remain on site between the end of the school day and our parent event.

YEAR 11 EXAM DATES 2024

Date	Exam Board/ Subject	Time	Duration
Mon 10th June	AQA GCSE Maths Paper 3	0900	1 hour and 30 minutes
Mon 10th June	OCR Creative iMedia	1300	1 hour and 30 minutes
Tues 11th June	AQA GCSE Chemistry Paper 2	0900	1 hours and 45 minutes

- Our exam contingency dates are:
- afternoon of Thursday 13th June
 - all day Wednesday 26th June

We are successful because...

...the parents of one of our learners said that they are happy that the school staff team understand her needs and that her placement is working well. They highlighted that their daughter has built safe adult relationships, is beginning to understand the nature of support for her and enjoys music lessons at school. Her parents said that they are pleased with the regular communication between school and home.

the mother of one of our learners said that he presents increased calmness and approachability since he joined Quest Academy. He likes school and will describe his day when he arrives home. His mother appreciates the close communication between school and home and is pleased with the support provided for her son to navigate social difficulties with peers.

Book of the Week

During Layla's time at Quest Academy, her and Amy wrote this book to educate others about autism and ADHD. We are proud of this student's achievement and progress.



by Layla McSorley
and Amy Faul

Learn more about autism and ADHD through my lived experience. This is my story of the world from a personal view point.

While writing this book, I have learnt that having Autism and ADHD is not something bad, it's a different way of experiencing the world.

I hope to raise awareness and understanding through doing what I love.

"A brilliant mix of research and personal experiences, this is a very accessible account of what it's like to be autistic and have ADHD. This book will help many people!"

Beccy (Teaching Assistant)

"This book is just brilliant! It'll help educate and aid people to understand further! What a brilliant and talented young lady!"

Conor (Teaching Assistant)

WORK EXPERIENCE 2024-2025

Work experience is not compulsory or essential for any of our learners in year 11. However, it can be an interesting and stimulating period for students to gain an insight into employment, building their confidence. Quest students have discussions about employment and workplaces through tutors, careers sessions and PSHE lessons. Therefore, even without work experience, students are prepared for the world of work. However, should you decide to source a work experience placement this must be for one week only from 14th April – 25th April 2025.

A Work experience guide has been sent home with our Year 10 learners this week. If you have any queries please contact Alison.scrace@macintyreacademies.org

Highly Recommended
All orders are placed by
Saturday 27th July 2024
Subject to Availability

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Quest Academy Uniform Price List 2024



Uniform items	From
Purple Day Polo Shirt w/Logo	£10.99
Blazer with Purple Trim	£37.99
V Neck Sweatshirt w/Logo	£12.99
Sportswear items	
Game Polo Shirt w/Logo	£14.99
Game Shorts Back /Purple	£11.99
Games Hooded Top w/Logo	£19.99
Jogging Bottoms w/Logo	£12.99
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Winter Opening Hours
Mon, Wed & Fri – Sat 9:00am –1pm, 1.30-4:30pm
Tue, Thu & Sun Closed

Summer Opening Hours
Mon-Saturday 9.00am -5.00pm



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DIRECTIONS

TAXIS / ESCORT IN VEHICLES

Pupil are transported to and from Quest Academy in taxis with an escort. You will need to apply to your local Specialist Transport.

- To apply for Home to School Travel Assistance for Pupil's with Special Educational Needs & Disabilities (SEND) in **Warwickshire** please follow this link: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/sendtransport>
- For **Northamptonshire** follow this link: <https://www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/children-families-education/schools-and-education/school-transport/Pages/special-educational-needs-travel-assistance.aspx>
- For **Coventry** follow this link: http://www.coventry.gov.uk/downloads/download/4332/send_travel_assistance_application_form



Learners do not need to bring in their own balls, we have them available. If they do, they will have to be handed in on arrival like tech.

ACADEMIC YEAR 2024 - 2025

AUTUMN TERM 2024

INSET Day (no learners on site)	Monday 2nd September 2024
Start	Tuesday 3rd September 2024
End	Friday 25th October 2024
Half Term	Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November 2024
INSET Day (no learners on site)	Monday 4th November 2024
Start	Tuesday 5th November 2024
Term End	Friday 20th December 2024
Christmas Holiday	Monday 23rd December 2024 to Friday 3rd January 2025

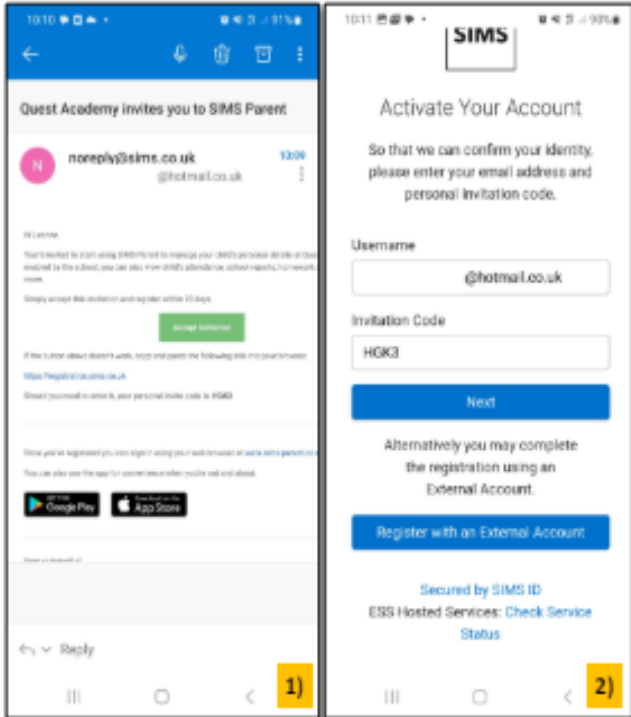
SPRING TERM 2025

INSET Day (no learners on site)	Monday 6th January 2025
Start	Tuesday 7th January 2025
End	Friday 14th February 2025
Half Term	Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February 2025
Start	Monday 24th February 2025
Trust INSET Day (no learners on site)	Friday 14th March 2025
Term End	Friday 11th April 2025
Spring (Easter) Holiday	Monday 14th April - Friday 25th April 2025

SUMMER TERM 2025

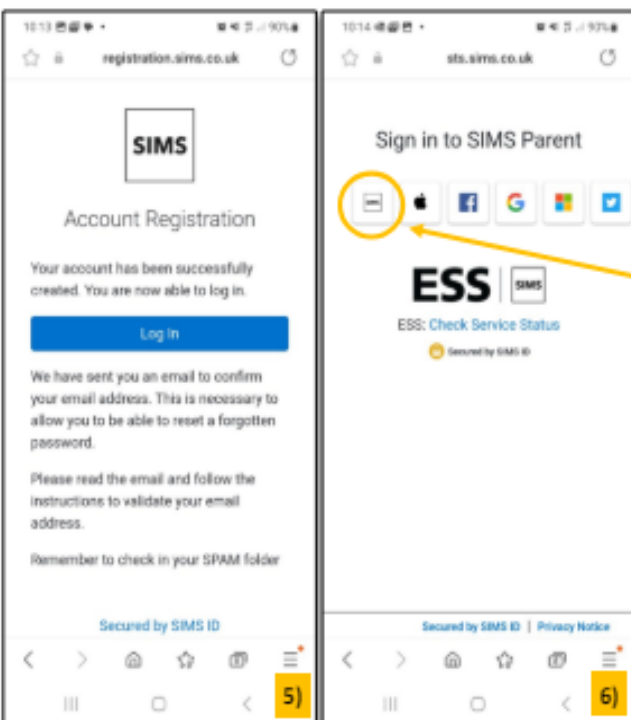
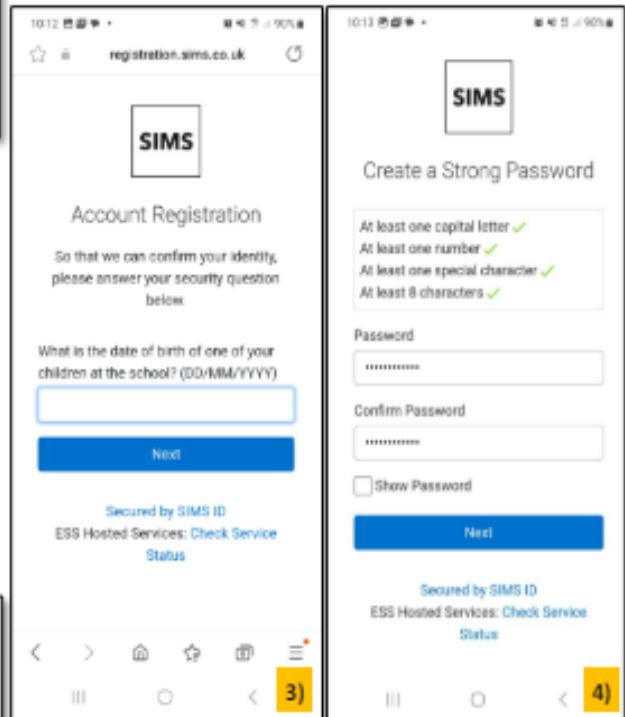
INSET Day (no learners on site)	Monday 28th April 2025
Start	Tuesday 29th April 2025
Bank Holiday (no learners on site)	Monday 5th May 2025
End	Friday 23rd May 2025
Half Term	Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May 2025
Start	Monday 2nd June 2025
Term End	Friday 18th July 2025
INSET Day (no learners on site)	Monday 21st July 2025

DATA COLLECTION - SIMS PARENT

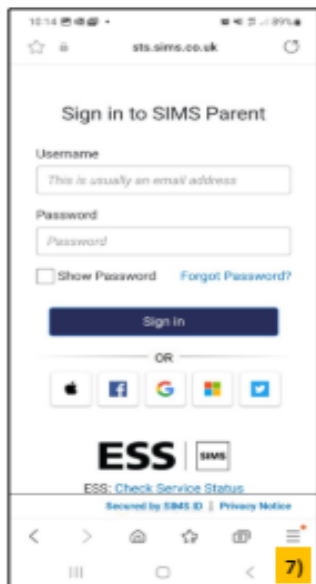


- 1) Click the **Accept Invitation** button in the invitation email from noreply@sims.co.uk. If you cannot find this email, please check your SPAM/Junk folder before contacting your school.
- 2) The **Activate Your Account** screen will then be displayed. The **Invitation Code** field will already be filled in with the unique code from your email. Enter your email address as **Username** and click the **Next** button.

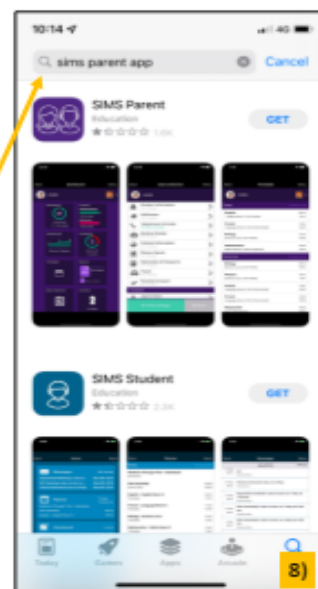
- 3) At the **Account Registration** screen, answer the security question and click the **Next** button. This is for security purposes only. This information will not be used in the SIMS Online Services system.
- 4) At the **Create a Strong Password** screen, create a password for the new account you are creating and click the **Next** button.



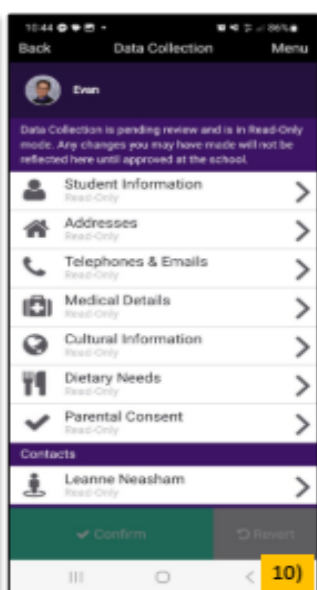
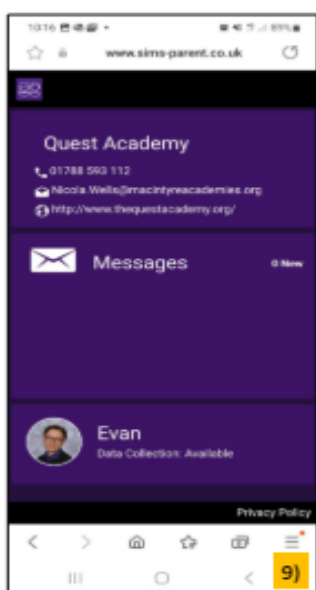
- 5) Once your account has been registered, you can **Log in**.
- 6) Select the SIMS tile.



7) Sign in using your newly created username (i.e. your email address) and password, then click the **Sign in** button.



8) Now you have completed all the above you can download the 'official' **free** app from the from your GooglePlay or the AppStore. This means you wont need to go via your internet browser to access in the future.



9) Once on the app click your learners name, this will take you through to the Data Collection homepage.
 10) You can then navigate down these options and edit if required. Whilst your review is pending, you will not be able to make further changes.

WCG Open Events

Our open events are for anyone looking to join a course in September 2024. From full-time courses for school leavers to classes for adults, apprenticeships to degrees - come discover what our colleges have to offer!

June 2024 Open Events (booking opens May 2024):

- Evesham New College - Tuesday 25 June, 5.30 - 7.30 pm
- Pershore College - Tuesday 25 June, 5.30 - 7.30 pm
- Moreton Morrell College - Thursday 27 June, 5.30 - 7.30 pm
- Royal Leamington Spa College - Thursday 27 June, 5.30 - 7.30 pm
- Warwick Trident College - Thursday 27 June, 5.30 - 7.30 pm
- Rugby College - Thursday 27 June, 5.30 - 7.30 pm



World Giraffe Day

JUNE 21

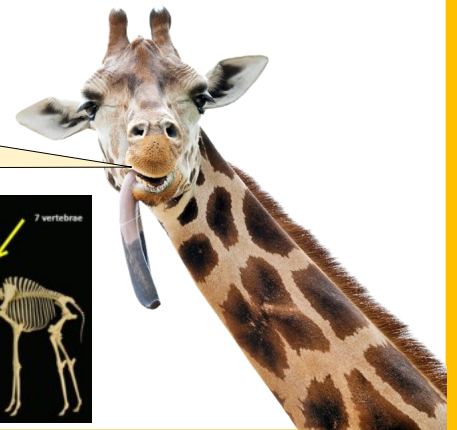
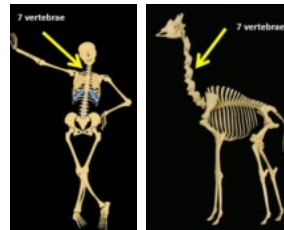


World Giraffe Day is an exciting annual event initiated by GCF to celebrate the tallest animal on the longest day or night (depending on which hemisphere you live!) of the year – 21 June – every year! Not only is it a worldwide celebration of these amazing and much-loved animals, but an annual event to raise support, create awareness and shed light on the challenges giraffe face in the wild. By supporting World Giraffe Day (WGD), you directly help save giraffe in Africa. With only approximately 117,000 giraffe remaining in the wild, the time is right to act NOW! Zoos, schools, NGOs, governments, institutions, companies and conservation organisations around the world are hosting events on or around WGD to raise awareness and support for giraffe in the wild.

Giraffes' necks are just like humans...almost.

A giraffe's neck has 7 vertebrae, the same number as a human.

However, a typical human neck is a mere 4.3 inches in length, while a giraffe's is 6ft long with vertebrae that can measure more than 10 inches each.



AUTISTIC PRIDE DAY

Autistic Pride Day is a pride celebration for autistic people held on 18th June each year. Organisations around the world celebrate Autistic Pride Day, with events around the world, to connect with one another through autistic events and demonstrate to allistic people (those not on the autism spectrum) that autistic people are unique individuals who should not be seen as cases for treatment.

Autistic pride points out that autistic people have always been an important part of human society. Being autistic is a form of neurodiversity. As with all forms of neurodiversity, most of the challenges autistic people face come from other people's attitudes about autism and a lack of supports and accommodations (ableism), rather than being essential to the autistic condition. For instance, according to Larry Arnold and Gwen Nelson, many autism-related organizations promote feelings of pity for parents, rather than fostering understanding.

Autistic activists have contributed to a shift in attitudes away from the notion that autism is a deviation from the norm that must be treated or cured. Autistic self-advocacy organizations, which are led and run by autistic people, are a key force in the movement for autistic acceptance and autistic pride.



World Autistic Pride Day is the pride celebration for autistic people, commemorated on the 18th of June by autistic people and their advocates identifying the significance of pride for autistic people and its vital role in bringing about positive changes in society at large.

HEALTHY EATING WEEK



Will run from Monday 10th June to Friday 14th June 2024.

Whether that means having one extra portion of fruit or vegetables a day, being a bit more active, experimenting with a new recipe or using up leftovers - Healthy Eating Week 2024 is all about giving it a go!

Who is the British Nutrition Foundation?

We are a public-facing charity which exists to give people, educators and organisations access to reliable information on nutrition.

Our vision is for a future where everyone has a healthy, sustainable diet. We **advocate science** and work with experts across the nutrition and food community to provide impartial, evidence-based information, education and expertise. Ultimately, we want to change the food environment and motivate people to adopt healthy, sustainable diets – for life.



10 -14 June 2024

Healthy Eating Week | Nutrition Foundation

Healthy Eating Week – Give it a go!

Get at least 5 A DAY • Stay hydrated • Move more • Focus on fibre • Reduce food waste

www.healthyeatingweek.org.uk

Let us know what you'll be doing for Healthy Eating Week 2024 @NutritionOrgUK #HEW24

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Get at least five a day

Fresh, frozen, dried and canned all count.

Stay hydrated

Have about 6-8 drinks a day.

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Attendance: At Quest Academy, we seek to ensure that all our learners receive a full time education which maximizes opportunities for each learner to reach his or her true potential: we feel that good attendance (95% or above) and good punctuality too are a vital part of this and we want all learners to strive towards this.

Government statistics have proven that children with poor attendance are 47% less likely to meet their potential examination results compared to learners with good attendance.

We have a desire to strive towards 100% attendance for all of our learners and expect all parents/ carers to actively support us in ensuring that their children are in school, safe, at all times. We also aim to hold all parents / carers that give low priority to good school attendance accountable.

Lateness: Pupils must attend registration on time to be given a present mark. Registration starts at 8.50am until 9am. Arrival after the start of morning registration will be given an 'L' code. After 9.30am a 'U' code (unauthorised absence) will be given.

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How to contact members of staff: Please contact Reception if you would like to speak with a member of staff. You will either be transferred or reception will email the member of staff to let them know that you have called.

Reporting pupil absence and lateness: Please can we remind parent/carers to call school on **01788 593 112**, before 9am if your child may be late or is unwell. You will also need to contact the taxi company to let them know. If your child is absent for more than 7 days you will need to provide a doctors certificate. If we do not receive a doctors note and have not seen your child we will have no alternative but to refer the matter to the Safeguarding Board in line with our safeguarding procedures.

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Please note that limited personal data is used and stored as per the MAT Retention Policy.

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