



MacIntyre Academies
Quest Academy

JUNE 2024 EDITION 2 NEWSLETTER

Last Day for Year 11's - Friday 28th June



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The Girl Who Couldn't Lie

By Radhika Sanghani

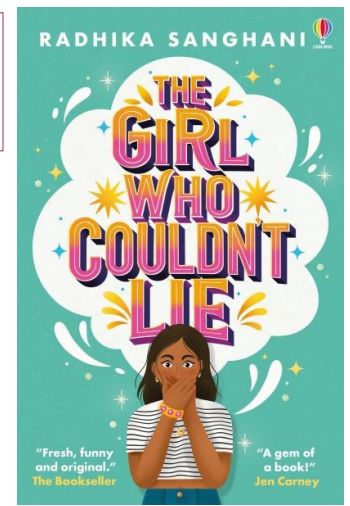
An amusing story that readers will relate to in many ways. Filled with tween angst, family issues and friendship pushed to the limits. Priya is reeling from the loss of her Grandma Ba who was her best friend and confidante. Without her Priya has nobody to ask for advice. As a comfort Priya starts to wear a bracelet given to her by her grandmother, and that's when things start to change.

Priya cannot lie any more to keep everyone happy and this causes much hurt and heartache for her friends and family. She can't remove the bracelet either! Is this Grandma Ba guiding her from beyond the grave? Can she learn to tell the truth and be honest without hurting her friends and family? A fun filled family/friend issues story with a serious message that many children will relate to. The insight into the family beliefs about not airing your dirty laundry in public is interesting and issues surrounding neurodivergent family members is touched on too. A book worth a place on library shelves.

Reading age



Year 5 - Year 8



We are successful because...

...the mother of one of our learners said that she is happy with, and grateful for, the support from the school staff team.



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

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)

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Save the Date

QUESTIVAL

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Quest Academy would like to invite you to our annual Questival!

On: **Friday 19th July 2024** ~ From: **3.30pm - 5.30pm**

At: Quest Academy, Anderson Avenue, Rugby, CV22 5PE

During the learner event there will be:

Refreshments, fundraising attractions, rides and stalls will be available.

Assault Course

Mega Slide

Disco Dome

Tombola

Cake Stall

Ice Cream Van

We have booked the Really Awesome Coffee Van, and have prepaid for basic drinks. If parents / carers would like to purchase smoothies, frappes and snacks they would be most welcome to do so. We have also prepaid for basic Ice Creams/ Ice Lolly's.

Please respond as soon as possible to Quest Office on 01788 593 112 or quest.office@macintyreacademies.org letting us know how many people will be attending in your 'group/party'

*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.

We are collecting 1 litre plastic bottles and raffle/ tombola prizes.



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- Signpost where to get additional help and support



Website: [Online Safety Training For Parents & Carers | Kidscape](#)

Upcoming virtual workshop dates:

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How to apply: Parents and carers can contact programmes@kidscape.org.uk to secure their place or for further information.

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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.



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

NEW UNIFORM SUPPLIER



www.schoolwearsolutions.com

Schoolwear Centre, 1-3 Abbeygate Street, Nuneaton, Warwick, CV11 4EJ

T:02476 341682

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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 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

The original **Inside Out** film came out in 2015, the film provided basic vocabulary for children (and their parents) to talk about emotions and what they're going through. After young Riley is uprooted from her Midwest life and moved to San Francisco, her emotions - Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness - conflict on how best to navigate a new city, house, and school. We all know and love the original Disney's Inside Out: character's/emotions:



Joy - Riley's brain would be a pretty bleak place without Joy. The ever-positive pixie pressed all the buttons marked pleasure (for better and worse).



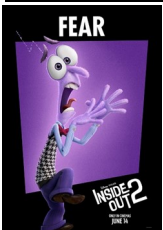
Sadness - You don't have to be a teenager to feel the blues, and Sadness has been a storm cloud in Riley's headspace from the start. Sadness is often thought of as a bad thing, and not necessarily as a healthy way to navigate through a situation. However, the only thing that is able to shake Riley out of her numb state is allowing herself to feel sad, and work through it.



Disgust - An aloof green emotion wearing a permanent gross-out grimace, Disgust pipes up whenever Riley reaches for an off-trend sweater or anything containing broccoli.



Anger - And finally, there's Anger – a snarling red cuboid who spontaneously combusts when ice hockey matches don't go Riley's way. "A lot of my anger comes from the fact of people being stupid and, by being stupid, hurting other people," he said. "I think anger is an important emotion. I think a lot of people sit on it. I don't, and I think it's why my blood pressure is so good."



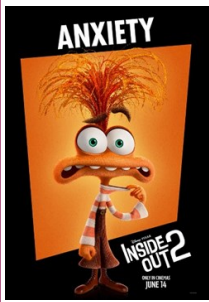
Fear - Everybody has a voice in their head telling them to slow down, buckle up, book travel insurance and wear a mouthguard.

Life is simple in childhood, divided into purer emotions, but things gets more complex as we get older...



Two years after her move to San Francisco, Riley has just turned 13 and is about to enter high school. Joy, Sadness, Fear, Anger and Disgust have created a new section of Riley's mind called "Sense of Self", which houses memories and feelings that make up Riley's core personality.

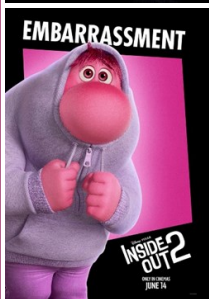
Riley begins to experience all the emotional changes that come with puberty: more sensitivity, awareness of her place in her social circle, and a lot of anxiety. It sees the introduction of 4 new emotions:



Anxiety - Carries a lot of emotional baggage — literally. Could your racing heart and sweating palms be the result of a crazed bright-orange gremlin running amok in your brain? Desperately wanting to fit in, be part of a group, wondering ‘Am I good enough?’



Ennui - Even if you don't know what her name means, you've definitely experienced Ennui. She's the one who makes you feel listless, drained and detached – sooooo bored of the world and everything in it. You're probably yawning just thinking about her. And if you see her under a microscope, you'll realise she's really a Gallic shrug with a smartphone. Ennui can barely lift her head up, she could have been called Boredom.



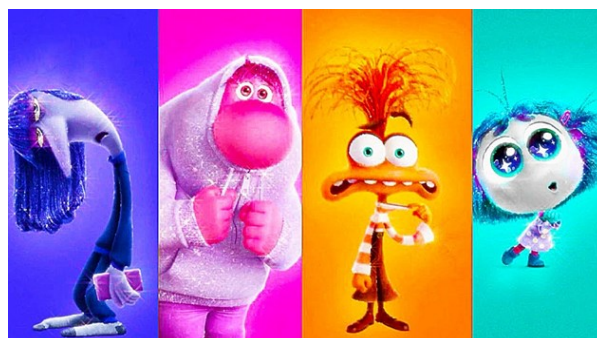
Embarrassment - As Riley blows out the candles on her 13th birthday, an unwelcome guest crawled down her ear canals, into her cortex... Embarrassment. This hulking hoodie pulls the levers every time you meet someone you fancy, making you fidget and cringe. Embarrassment's body shape is like a shell, he just wants to hide inside. He's got rosy cheeks and is pink with embarrassment.



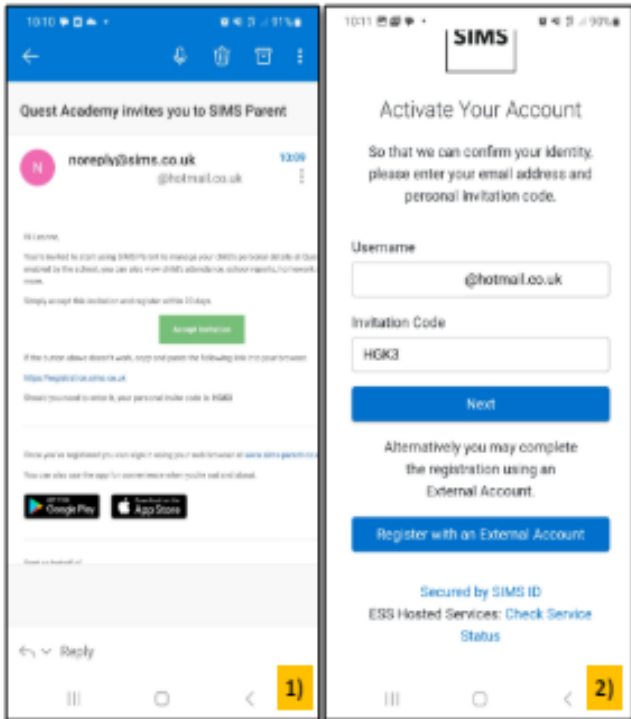
Envy - If that ‘grass-is-greener’ feeling could take physical form, it'd look like Envy: a saucer-eyed dollop of dissatisfaction, who wants your hair, trainers and phone. Envy can be a great emotion for helping you set goals for yourself, like, ‘I want to be like that’. It can be a motivator and then all of a sudden you can start building plans on how to get there. So it's there for a reason.

In the movie, Anxiety can be... a lot. But eventually she conveys a few powerful lessons:

Experiencing some anxiety is normal, our shortcomings are simply part of who we are and all of our emotional experiences are an important part of our identity.

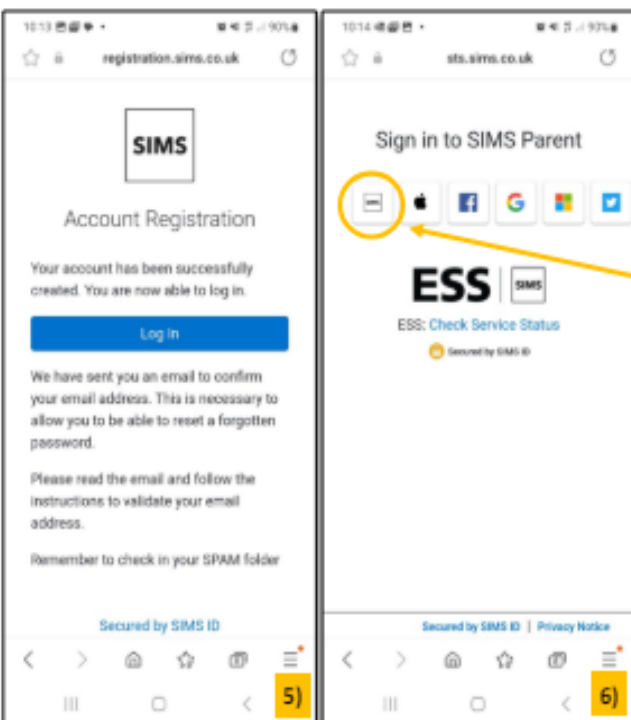
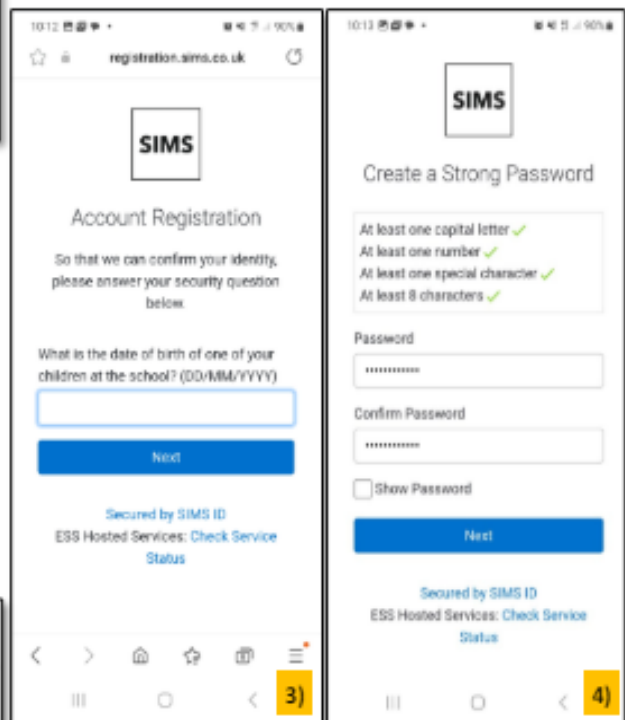


DATA COLLECTION - SIMS PARENT

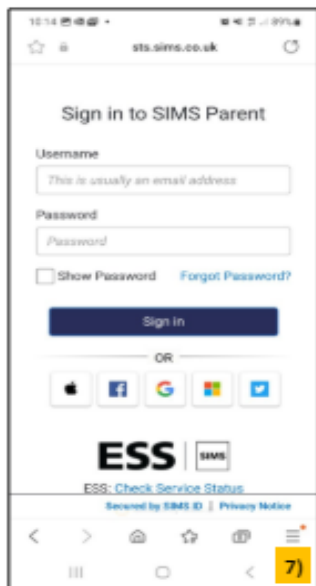


- 1) Click the **Accept Invitation** button in the invitation email from noreply@sims.co.uk. If you cannot find this email, please check your SPAM/Junk folder before contacting your school.
- 2) The **Activate Your Account** screen will then be displayed. The **Invitation Code** field will already be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

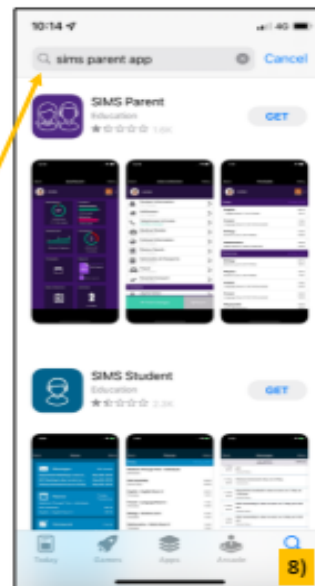
- 3) At the **Account Registration** screen, answer the security question and click the **Next** button. This is for security purposes only. This information will not be used in the SIMS Online Services system.
- 4) At the **Create a Strong Password** screen, create a password for the new account you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



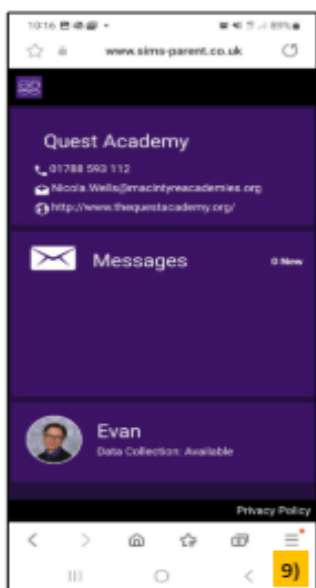
- 5) Once your account has been registered, you can **Log in**.
- 6) Select the SIMS tile.



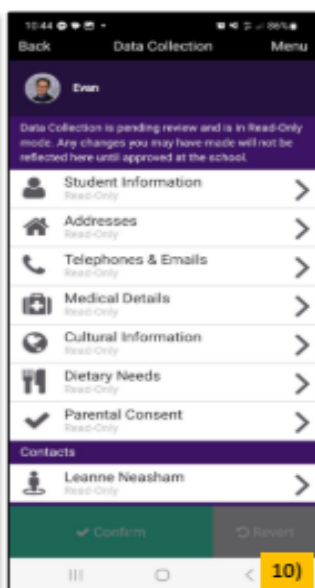
7) Sign in using your newly created username (i.e. your email address) and password, then click the **Sign in** button.



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



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

Free independent travel training for young people with SEND

Supporting our young people to lead happy and independent lives



Warwickshire County Council is providing free independent travel training for young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), with an Education and Health Care Plan (EHCP) and who are eligible for home to school transport assistance.

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/sendtransport



Independent travel training offers one to one, tailored, practical support to help young people with SEND learn to travel independently to their school, college, work placement or training provider by using public transport within Warwickshire.

How does a travel training course work?

Each programme of training is bespoke to the individual and usually takes place once a week for 9 to 12 weeks, or until the young person is confident and able to travel independently. Our specialist Travel Trainers will assess as they go and adapt the programme where necessary.

Key skills include:

- One to one personalised travel trainer support.
- Personal and road safety awareness and safety skills.
- Journey planning and preparation (eg what to take, what the weather might be like).
- Time and money management.
- Leaving the home safely (eg locking up).
- Coping in emergencies, or unexpected circumstances (eg missed stops, cancelled trains).
- Using technology, such as smart travel cards and mobile phones.

How does travel training benefit a young person?

Being able to travel independently increases a young person's independence and life chances, improves their self-esteem and confidence, as well as helps them prepare for adulthood.

These skills can then be transferred into their everyday lives enabling them to access more opportunities such as going out with friends, transitioning to college, accessing work placements etc.

Travel training can benefit parents and carers too, giving them peace of mind that their child is able to travel safely on their own.



How I do access travel training?

Schools, colleges, young people, parents and professionals can make a referral for a student who meets the eligibility criteria using the referral form available on Warwickshire County Council's website:

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/sendtransport



Before a referral can be made, consent needs to be given by the individual, or the parent/carer if the individual is under 16 years old.

If you know a young person (aged 11 to 25) with SEND and an EHCP who is enthusiastic and who might benefit from independent travel training, please get in touch at: tt@warwickshire.gov.uk



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.

Quest Contact Details:

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Rugby
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CV22 5PE

E: quest.office@macintyreacademies.org

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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.

PRIVACY NOTICE

MacIntyre Academies collects and uses pupil information which complies with General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). This is Europe's framework for data protection laws – it replaces the previous 1995 data protection directive, which UK law has previously been based upon.

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

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