



MacIntyre Academies
Quest Academy

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Clay work by Kylan

Quote of
the week

*“As long as you’re alive, you always have the
chance to start again.”*

— Voltaire

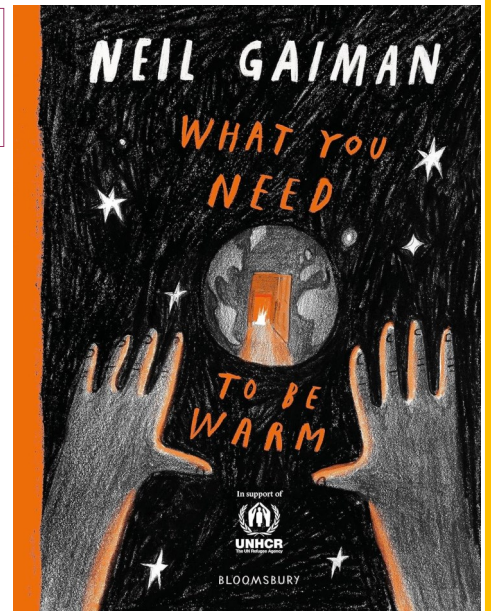


What You Need to Be Warm

By Neil Gaiman

Sometimes it only takes a stranger in a dark place... to say we have the right to be here, to make us warm in the coldest season.

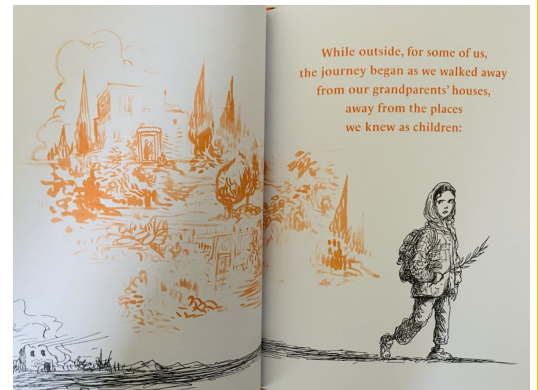
In 2019, Neil Gaiman asked his Twitter followers: *What reminds you of warmth?* Over 1,000 responses later, Neil began to weave replies from across the world into a poem in aid of the UNHCR's winter appeal. It revealed our shared desire to feel safe, welcome and warm in a world that can often feel frightening and lonely.



Sales of every copy of this book will help support the work of UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, which helps forcibly displaced communities and stateless people across the world.

Now publishing in hardback and illustrated by a group of artists from around the world, **What You Need to Be Warm** is an exploration of displacement and flight from conflict through the objects and memories that represent warmth. It is about our right to feel safe, whoever we are and wherever we are from. It is about holding out a hand to welcome those who find themselves far from home.

Featuring new, original illustrations from Chris Riddell, Benji Davies, Yuliya Gwilym, Nadine Kaadan, Daniel Egnéus, Pam Smy, Petr Horáček, Beth Suzanna, Bagram Ibatoulline, Marie-Alice Harel, Majid Adin and Richard Jones, with a thought-provoking cover from Oliver Jeffers.



We are successful because...

...the mother of one of our learners said that he has a changed presentation as he is happier, since joining Quest Academy. His school attendance has improved markedly since he was at his previous school.

...the parents of one of our learners said that they are impressed with the support in place for him at Quest Academy. They said that they are pleased that their son has settled well, and that he enjoys attending school.

ACADEMIC YEAR 2023 - 2024

SUMMER TERM 2024

Bank Holiday (no learners on site)	Monday 6th May 2024
INSET day (no learners on site)	Tuesday 7th May 2024
Half term	Monday 27th May 2024 to Friday 31st May 2024
Learners Start Back	Monday 3rd June 2024
Ends	Tuesday 23rd July 2024



Weekly Menu

A vegan meal is available on request on days when (vg) is not shown as a choice on the menu.
All our fish is natural whole fillet and although great care has been taken to remove all bones, some may remain.

Week one

*Brockville: 24, 254, 265, 1004, 17, 158, 710

Choose a main meal...
Gluten Free Pork Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Pasta (S B S U G)
(vg) Breaded Vegetable Fingers with Herby Diced Potatoes (G)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

MONDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(vg) (h) Lemon Shortbread (G)
(v) Chocolate Whip with Orange Wedge (D)
(v) Yoghurt (D) or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal...
(h) Chicken Taco with Potato Wedges (D)

(v) Cheese and Tomato Pizza Wedge with Potato Wedges (G, D)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

TUESDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(v) Pancakes with Fruit (G, D, E)
(vg) (h) Ginger Cookie (G)
(v) Yoghurt (D) or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal... **WEDNESDAY ROAST**
British Roast Beef with Traditional Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy (D, E, G)

(vg) Quom Roast in Gravy with (v) Yorkshire Pudding (D, E, G) Crispy Roast Potatoes

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

WEDNESDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(v) (h) Jam Sponge (G, E)
(v) Ice Cream (D)
Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal...
(h) Chicken Oflou Mein (chicken with noodles) (G)

(h) (v) Cheesy Tomato Pasta Bake with Freshly Baked Wholegrain Baguette (D, G)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

THURSDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(vg) (h) Chocolate Cracknel (G)
(v) Yoghurt (D) or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal... **FRIDAY PASTY**
mso) Gluten Free Breaded Fish Fillet (F) with Chipped Potatoes

(vg) Vegetable Hotdog with Chipped Potatoes (G)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

FRIDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Peas or Baked Beans

For dessert...
(v) Jelly with Fruit
(v) Ice Cream (D)
Fresh Fruit

Week two

*Brockville: 1514, 65, 174, 87, 2, 25, 1410

Choose a main meal...
British Pork Sausages with Potato Wedges (G, S U)

(h) (v) Vegetable Burrito with Potato Wedges (G, D)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

MONDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(vg) (h) Flapjack with Fresh Fruit Wedges (G)
(v) Strawberry Whip (D)
Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal...
(h) Italian Chicken Pasta (chicken and pasta in a tomato sauce) with Freshly Baked Wholegrain Baguette (G)

(vg) Veggie Plant burger in a High Fibre Bun with Herby Diced Potatoes (G)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

TUESDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(v) (h) Chocolate Frosted Sponge (G, D, E)
(v) Yoghurt (D) or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal... **WEDNESDAY ROAST**
British Roast Chicken Fillet, Sage and Onion Stuffing and Gravy (G)

(vg) Quom Roast in Gravy with Sage and Onion Stuffing (G) Crispy Roast Potatoes

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

WEDNESDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(v) (h) Strawberry and Apple Crumble with Custard (D, G)
(v) Ice Cream (D)
Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal...
(h) British Beef Bolognese with Garlic Bread (G/cheese D)

(vg) Veggie Sausage with Diced Potatoes

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

THURSDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(vg) (h) Crunch Cookie (G)
(v) Yoghurt (D) or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal... **FRIDAY PASTY**
(mso) Salmon Star with Chipped Potatoes (F, G)

(v) (h) Rustic Pizza Wedge with Chipped Potatoes (G, D)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

FRIDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Peas or Baked Beans

For dessert...
(v) Jelly with Fruit (G, D)
(v) Cheese Crackers and Apple Wedge (G, D)
Fresh Fruit

Week three

*Brockville: 2214, 15, 5, 36, 246, 157, 5, 505, 2110

Choose a main meal...
Southern Style Chicken Strips in a Wrap with Potato Wedges (G)

(h) (v) Mac 'n' cheese with Freshly Baked Wholegrain Baguette (D, G)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

MONDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(vg) (h) Vanilla Cookie (G)
(v) Ice Cream (D) or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal...
(h) Minced Beef Pie with Crispy Diced Potatoes (G)

(vg) Quom Dippers with Rainbow Rice and Dipping Sauce (G)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

TUESDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(vg) (h) Shortbread (G)
(v) Cheese Crackers and Apple Wedge (G, D)
Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal... **WEDNESDAY ROAST**
British Roast Pork Loin, Apple Sauce and Gravy

(vg) Quom Roast with Gravy (G) Crispy Roast Potatoes

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

WEDNESDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(v) (h) Toffee Apple Sponge (G, D, E)
(v) Yoghurt (D) or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal...
Beef Burger in a High Fibre Bun with Potato Wedges (G, S B, C)

(h) (vg) Beany Pasta (kidney & baked beans with vegetables in pasta) with Potato Wedges (G)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

THURSDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Vegetables of the Day

For dessert...
(vg) (h) Honey and Raisin Bar (G)
(v) Chocolate Swirl Mousse (D)
(v) Yoghurt (D) or Fresh Fruit

Choose a main meal... **FRIDAY PASTY**
(mso) Gluten Free Fish Fillet Fingers (F) with Chipped Potatoes

(v) Plantball Pitta Pocket - plantball is a pitta with salad, in it & may include cheese served with Chipped Potatoes (G, E)

Jacket Potato - (v) Cheese (D), Tuna (F, E) or (v) Baked Beans

FRIDAY

On the side...
Fresh Salad Bar
Peas or Baked Beans

For dessert...
(v) (h) Lemon/Orange Drizzle Cake (G, E)
(v) Yoghurt (D) or Fresh Fruit

Full Coddie or Fruity Water from the Hydration Station, Semi Skimmed Milk & Fresh Bread are also offered daily
Vegetable accompaniments change to reflect seasonal availability

ALLERGENS - G - Gluten/Wheat
v - Veg - Dairy
h - Honey
S - Sesame
C - Cashew
E - Eggs
D - Dairy
F - Fish
mso - Mince
S B - Spicy
C - Cakes



Allergies
Please contact your school cook for information regarding the content of dishes and products on our menu.

YEAR 11 EXAM DATES 2024

Date	Exam Board/ Subject	Time	Duration
Weds 8th May	AQA Art, Craft and Design	0900	3 hours and 20 minutes
Thurs 9th May	AQA Art, Craft and Design	0900	3 hours and 20 minutes
Fri 10th May	AQA GCSE Biology Paper 1	0900	1 hour and 45 minutes
Mon 13th May	AQA Maths Functional Skills Paper 1	0900	30 minutes
Mon 13th May	AQA Maths Functional Skills Paper 2	1300	1 hour and 30 minutes
Tues 14th May	AQA Art, Craft and Design	0900	3 hours and 20 minutes
Thurs 16th May	AQA GCSE Maths Paper 1	0900	1 hour and 30 minutes
Fri 17th May	AQA Chemistry Paper 1	0900	1 hour and 45 minutes
Thurs 23rd May	AQA GCSE English Language Paper 1	0900	1 hour and 45 minutes
Mon 3rd June	AQA GCSE Maths Paper 2	0900	1 hours and 30 minutes
Tues 4th June	NCFE Health & Fitness	0900	1 hour and 30 minutes
Thurs 6th June	AQA GCSE English Language Paper 2	0900	1 hour and 45 minutes
Fri 7th June	AQA GCSE Biology Paper 2	1300	1 hour and 45 minutes
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 6th June - afternoon of Thursday 13th June - all day Wednesday 26th June

ACADEMIC YEAR 2024 - 2025

Autumn Term 2024

Monday 2 September 2024 – **School Closed** – INSET Day (QUEST)

Term Time: Tuesday 3 September 2024 to Friday 25 October 2024

Half term: Monday 28 October 2024 to Friday 1 November 2024

Monday 4 November 2024 – **School Closed** – INSET Day (QUEST)

Term Time: Tuesday 5 November 2024 to Friday 20 December 2024

Spring Term 2025

Monday 6 January 2025 – **School Closed** – INSET Day (QUEST)

Term Time: Tuesday 7 January 2025 to Friday 14 February 2025

Half term: Monday 17 February 2025 to Friday 21 February 2025

Term Time: Monday 24 February 2025 to Friday 11 April 2025

Friday 14th March 2025 – **School Closed** - INSET Day (TRUST)

Summer Term 2025

Monday 28 April 2025 – **School Closed** – INSET Day (QUEST)

Term Time: Tuesday 29 April 2025 to Friday 23 May 2025

Half term: Monday 26 May 2025 to Friday 30 May 2025

Term Time: Monday 2 June 2025 to Friday 18th July 2025

Monday 21st July 2025 – **School Closed** – INSET Day (QUEST)

British Federation of Mathematical Games

STEM OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAMILIES!



Magnificent Maths and Phenomenal Physics Open Day

Coventry University's Fluid and Complex Systems Research Centre is throwing open its doors to the public once again on **Saturday 27th April**, promising a day filled with mind-blowing experiments, captivating science shows, and enlightening talks that will leave you in awe.

What to Expect:

"Little Earth" Exploration: Dive into our "little earth" experiment, where you'll witness the magic of miniature worlds and gain insights into how they unlock the secrets of larger ecosystems.

Storm Prediction Unveiled: Ever wondered how storms and weather patterns are predicted? Explore the fascinating world of meteorology with our experts and uncover the science behind accurate weather forecasting.

Quantum Computing Revolution: Take a peek into the future as we unravel the revolution of quantum computing. Discover how this cutting-edge technology is reshaping the landscape of scientific exploration.

Mathematics of Social Interactions: Peer into the complex equations that govern our social interactions. Our mathematicians will guide you through the intriguing world where numbers and human behaviour intersect.

Who's Invited:

Absolutely everyone with a passion for science! Whether you're a seasoned enthusiast or just curious, our doors are wide open. Come, meet our brilliant scientists, and embark on a journey to explore the world through their visionary eyes for one day only.

This event is recommended for children aged 8+. Please note some demonstrations take place in our labs, which are only accessible to children aged 12+.

Don't miss this opportunity to be a part of something extraordinary. Save the date, and get ready to be amazed! The link to register your free place can be found here: [Magnificent Maths and Phenomenal Physics: Open Day | Coventry University](#)

British Federation of Mathematical Games:

Logic and Mathematical Games Final

The British Federation of Mathematical Games: Logic and Mathematical Games Final 2024 will take place at Coventry University, Frank Whittle Building, on Saturday 25th May 2024, 1pm to 4pm.

The Mathematical and Logical Games is a general public, university, and school competition organised every year in Europe and beyond. Participants around the world, who score high enough in their category, will qualify for the 38th international final in Paris.

To participate, please email info@bfmg.maths.Coventry.domains with your name, surname, town, date of birth, and category. For more information, please visit the website;

[Logic and Mathematical Games Final | British Federation of Mathematical Games \(coventry.domains\)](#)

FOOD TECH SUCCESS!



Dalai Lama Class controlled assessment



Lewis Hamilton Class controlled assessment



Alan Turing / George Eliot set brief

FOREST SCHOOLS

This term we have had so much fun exploring the seasonal change in weather as the we move towards spring. Most learners have been able to go off site to Cawston Spinney and were able to explore the natural environment there. The learners made their our own swings, climbed trees and tried to find the woodpeckers we could hear!

Whilst on site learners found frogs spawn in our pond and have really enjoyed making a safe home for them and checking on them each week.



SIZZLING STIR FRY

Ingredients

100g noodles	
1 x chicken breast (or 3-4 thighs)	1 bok choy
½ red chilli	1/2 yellow pepper
1 clove garlic	3 mushrooms
1cm fresh ginger	1x10ml spoon oil
½ red onion	1x10ml spoon soy sauce (reduced salt)



Equipment

Chopping boards, knives, garlic press, grater, wok or frying-pan, wooden spoon, saucepan, colander, measuring spoon, serving dish, weighing scales.

Method

1. Cook the noodles in boiling water. Check the packet for details.
2. While the noodles are cooking, remove any skin from the chicken and cut into strips, ideally on a red board. Thoroughly wash and dry hands after touching raw chicken. Place in the fridge, covered, until needed.
3. Prepare the vegetables with a fresh knife on a clean chopping board:
 - peel and crush the garlic;
 - de-seed and slice the chilli;
 - peel and slice the ginger;
 - slice the onion, pepper and mushrooms;
 - shred the bok choy.
4. Heat the oil in the wok or frying pan.
5. Add the onion, garlic, chilli and ginger. Allow to cook for 1 minute.
6. Add the chicken and stir-fry for 3-4 minutes. Check that the chicken is cooked.
7. Add the remaining vegetables and soy sauce and continue to cook for a further 2 minutes.
8. Drain the boiling hot water away from the noodles into a colander in the sink
9. Stir in the cooked noodles and cook for 2 minutes until hot.
10. Serve.

Top tips

- Use noodles that have already been cooked.
- Vary the vegetables – leeks, courgettes and carrots all work well.
- Go for tofu instead of chicken for a vegetarian alternative.
- Other types of meat could be used, e.g. thin strips of beef or turkey.
- Mix in ready cooked noodles or rice for a quick main meal.

Food skills

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|------------|-------------|----------|--------------------|
| • Weigh. | • Crush. | • Stir. | • Slice and shred. |
| • Measure. | • Stir fry. | • Drain. | • Simmer and boil. |



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.



The Army Engagement Group tours the country engaging with a wide variety of people to give them a greater understanding of the British Army, who we are, what we do and how we contribute to society.

**FREE
EVENT**



ARMY
BE THE BEST

**COME AND MEET THE ARMY
IN WARWICK**

The Bridge House Theatre, Warwick School , Myton Road,
WARWICK CV34 6PP

Wednesday 17th April 2024

6.30pm to 7.00pm Reception/refreshments served

7.00pm to 7.45pm Presentation

7.45pm to 8.15pm for Questions

8.15pm to 9.00pm buffet

RSVP Register [HERE](#) or Email: RC-AEG-Mailbox@mod.gov.uk



Please scan the QR Code to register your place.



HELP PAYING FOR YOUR CHILDCARE



Government help with childcare costs for parents. Whether you have toddlers or teens, you could get support.

Thousands of parents of two-year-olds benefit from 15 hours free childcare - here's how...

The Department of Education are making the biggest investment by a UK government into childcare in history, doubling the amount they expect to spend over the next few years from around £4 billion to around £8 billion each year.

As of April 2024, eligible parents of children who have turned 2-years-old before 1 April are getting help with their childcare costs by accessing 15 hours of government-funded childcare.

15 & 30 HOURS CHILDCARE

For eligible working families in England

Currently available for children aged 2-4 years

- Up to 15 hours of early education over 38 weeks of the year for 2 year olds.
- Up to 30 hours of early education over 38 weeks of the year for 3-4 year olds.
- Can used flexibly with one or more childcare providers.
- Some providers will allow you to 'stretch' the hours over 52 weeks, using fewer hours per week

Find out more about similar schemes in [Wales](#) / [Cymru](#)

COMING SOON

From Sept 2024 - Up to 15 hours for eligible working families in England with a child between 9 and 23 months old. Apply for your code from 12th May.

From Sept 2025 - Up to 30 hours for eligible working families in England with a child from 9 months old up to school age.

TAX-FREE CHILDCARE

GET UP TO £2000 PER CHILD

- For working families, including the self-employed, in the UK
- Earning under £100k and an average of £183 per week (equal to 16 hours at the National Minimum or Living Wage) each over three months
- Who aren't receiving Tax Credits, Universal Credit or childcare vouchers
- With children aged 0-11 (or 0-16 if disabled)
- For every £8 you pay into an online account, the government will add an extra £2, up to £2,000 per child per year

TAX CREDITS FOR CHILDCARE

- For working families, in the UK
- With children under 16 (or under 17 if disabled)
- 70% of childcare costs, up to a cap
- If you cannot make a new claim for Tax Credits, you may be able to apply for Universal Credit instead.

Is it for me? ▾



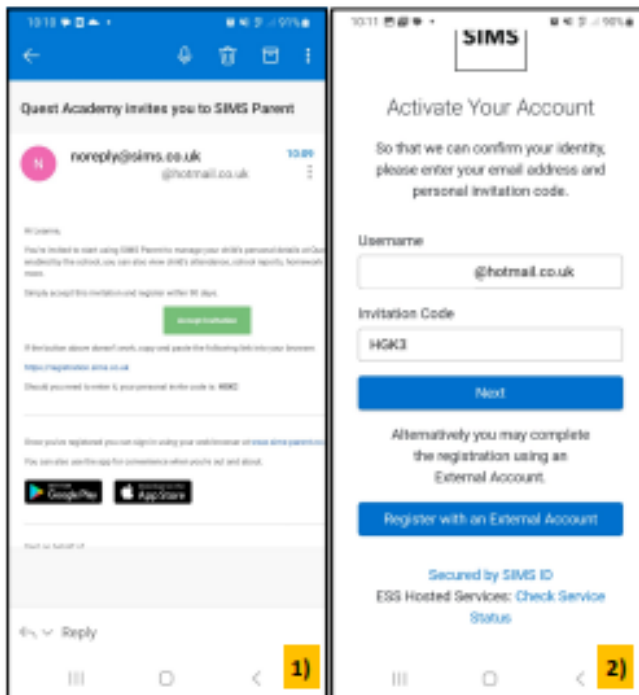
Use our Childcare Calculator to add up all the help you can get

UNIVERSAL CREDIT CHILDCARE

- For working families claiming Universal Credit, in England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales
- With children under 17*
- Up to 85% of eligible childcare costs
- Who aren't receiving Tax-Free Childcare

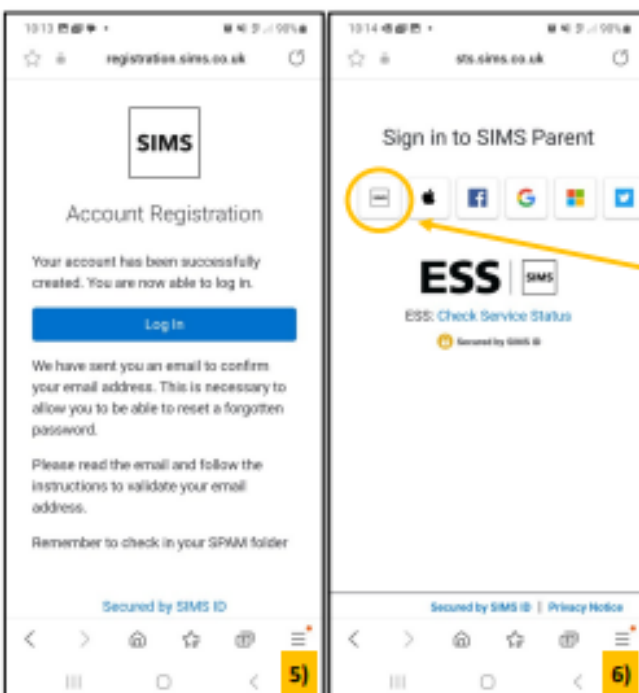
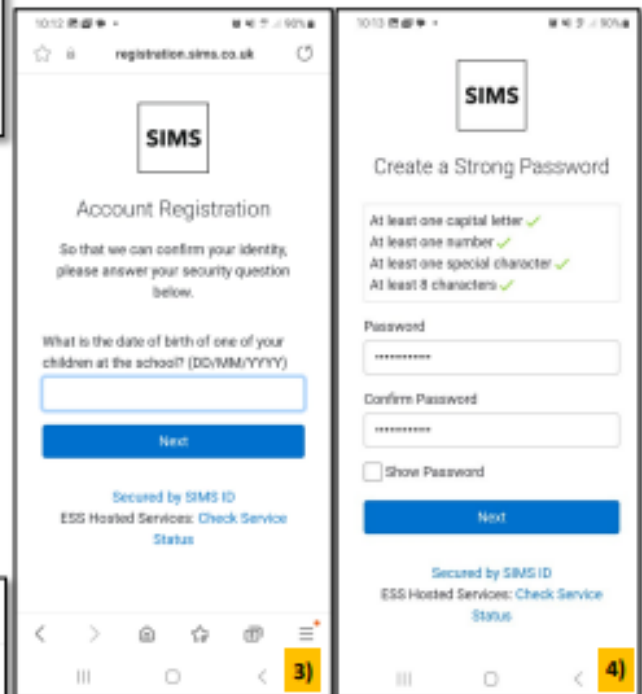
Is it for me? ▾

DATA COLLECTION - SIMS PARENT

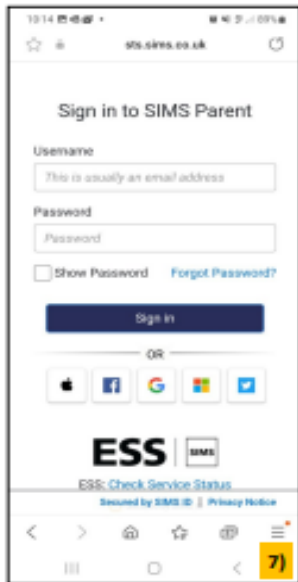


- 1) Click the **Accept Invitation** button in the invitation email from noreply@sims.co.uk. If you cannot find this email, please check your SPAM/Junk folder before contacting your school.
- 2) The **Activate Your Account** screen will then be displayed. The **Invitation Code** field will already be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

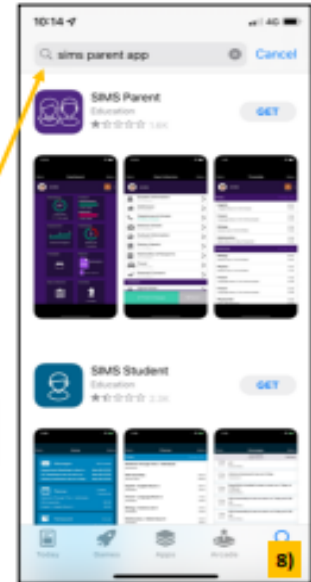
- 3) At the **Account Registration** screen, answer the security question and click the **Next** button. This is for security purposes only. This information will not be used in the SIMS Online Services system.
- 4) At the **Create a Strong Password** screen, create a password for the new account you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



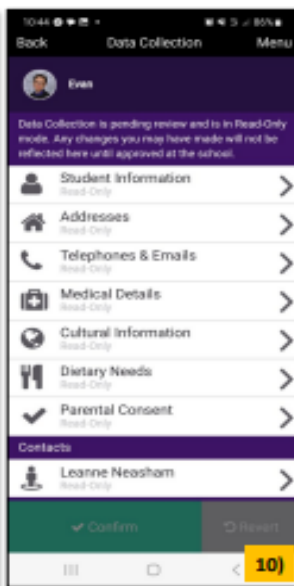
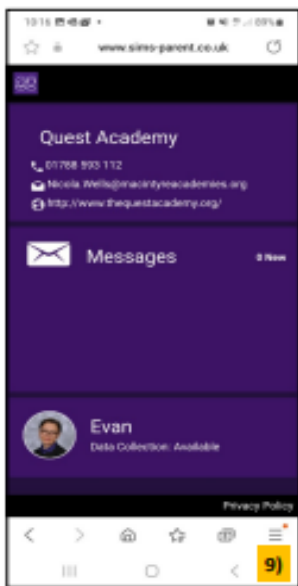
- 5) Once your account has been registered, you can **Log in**.
- 6) Select the SIMS tile.



- 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.



Check out Ethan's Pokémon biccys!
Look yummy!



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.

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.

You can read the full details of our [Privacy Notice](#) in the policy. This includes more details of our legal basis for the use of specific information.