



MacIntyre Academies
Quest Academy



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“Quote of
the week”

*““It Doesn't Matter Where You
Came From. All That Matters Is
Where You Are Going.”*

~ Brian Tracy

WELCOME



Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to our final newsletter of the year. I would like to thank you for all your support and understanding this term.

In the New Year we will update our COVID 19 risk assessment to reflect the latest guidance and send this to you with an updated version of our contingency plan. Currently, we plan to open to all learners on **Wednesday 5th January**, following our INSET day, on Tuesday 4th January.

I would also like to make you aware that some of our staff, some who have been here since we opened, are leaving us at the end of term. I would like to take the opportunity to thank Jamie Rynberk, Emily Stephenson, Claire Reilly and Kerry Horner for all of their hard work and wish them all the very best for the future. In the new year we will introduce new staff to you via our Newsletter.

Whilst Christmas is meant to be a joyful time I am fully aware that life does not stop just because it is Xmas. To this end please feel free to contact me on my work mobile at any time over the holiday.

My work telephone number is 07932 909 754. Joan Goodrich, one of our Family Footings Facilitators, will also be working in the mornings between Monday 20th December - Thursday 23rd December.

To support learners to stay safe over the holidays class teams have reminded learners about how to use technology appropriately and what to do if they have a concern. On pages 7-9 we have included some guidance for you. I hope you find this useful.

I hope that you have a happy Christmas and New Year.

Kind regards,

Nicola Wells



CONTINGENCY PLANS

Thank you so much for bearing with us in regards to our Contingency Plans. If you don't directly hear about Contingency Plans, please send learners in as normal.

PHOTOS

The one free photograph per family has arrived at Quest, we shall hopefully be sending these home any day.



QUEST TERM DATES FOR 2021 - 22:

AUTUMN TERM 2021

Ends	Friday 17th December 2021
Christmas holiday	Monday 20th December 2021 – Monday 3rd January 2022

SPRING TERM 2022

INSET day (no learners on site)	Tuesday 4th January 2022
Starts	Wednesday 5th January 2022
Half term	Monday 21st – Friday 25th February 2022
Trust INSET (no learners on site)	Friday 11th March 2022
INSET day (no learners on site)	Monday 14th March 2022
Ends	Friday 8th April 2022
Spring (Easter) holiday	Monday 11th – Friday 22nd April 2022

SUMMER TERM 2022

Starts	Monday 25th April 2022
Bank Holiday	Monday 2nd May 2022
Half term	Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June 2022
Ends	Wednesday 27th July 2022

ADDITIONAL DATES FOR DIARY

Year Group	Vaccines to be given	Date
All Year 9	Td/IPV & Men ACWY	27/01/2022
All Year 8	HPV 1	25/03/2022
All Year 9	HPV 2	25/03/2022
All years	Mop up Session	19/07/2022

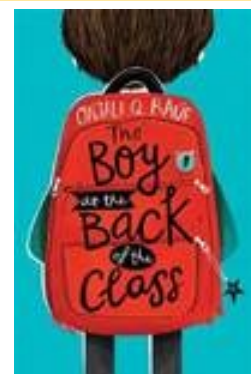


Interest age: 7-11

Reading age: 10+

The Boy at the Back of the Class by Onjali Q Raúf

This is the story about how four classmates have a massive impact on the life of Ahmet, a boy that comes to their school as a refugee from Syria. An inspiring and sweet tale that should help children be the best they can be and realise the power of kindness.



We are successful because...

...the mother of one of our learners said that his needs are being met at school and that this is making him feel calmer at home. He is more able to regulate, can reflect on situations and make repair.

MENUS JAN– FEB 2022

We have lunch delivered by a company called Educaterers, menus run on a three week revolving basis (please see menus below.) If there is a day where your child does not like anything then they will need to bring in a packed lunch.

MONDAY WEEK 1 W/C 03/01, 24/1, 14/02	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
TUNA MAY SANDWICH	SLICED TURKEY BAP	CHEESE BAP	HAM SANDWICH	EGG & CRESS BAP
BACON BAP	CHEESE & TOMATO PIZZA	LOVES JOES BURGER	CHICKEN POPPER MINI BAGUETTE	FISH FINGER BAP
VEGGIE FINGER SUB	VEGAN HOT DOG	HOT PASTA POT	BBQ JACKFRUIT PIZZA	VEGGIE FINGER BAP

MONDAY WEEK 2 W/C 10/01, 31/1	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHEESE BAP	CHICKEN SANDWICH	HAM BAP	TUNA MAY SANDWICH	CHEESE BAP
MEATBALL SUB	LOVES JOES BURGER	CHEESE & TOMATO PIZZA	CHICKEN POPPER MINI BAGUETTE	FISH FINGER BAP
BBQ JACKFRUIT PIZZA	HOT PASTA POT	VEGAN HOT DOG	HOT PASTA POT	VEGGIE FINGER BAP

MONDAY WEEK 3 W/C 17/01, 07/02	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHEESE SANDWICH	TURKEY SANDWICH	TUNA BAP	CHICKEN BAP	CHEESE BAP
LOVES JOES BURGER	CHEESE & TOMATO PIZZA	CHICKEN POPPER MINI BAGUETTE	HOT DOG	FISH FINGER BAP
HOT PASTA POT	VEGAN HOT DOG	VEGGIE FINGER SUB	HOT PASTA POT	VEGGIE FINGER BAP



JOB VACANCY



School Cleaner required for a site on Anderson Ave, Rugby area .

The site is cleaned 5 days per week, Monday to Friday, this is 2.25 hours per day. totalling 11.25 hours per week. To be cleaned between the hours of 3.30 pm and 5.45 pm

Cleaning experience preferred but not essential as full training will be provided to the successful candidate. Individual must be reliable, well presented and capable of cleaning to a high standard. A DBS is required for this site, or for the right candidate a DBS will be carried out.

To apply for this position please call the Recruitment Manager on 07495 702345 or [Apply Here](#)



Warwickshire Sings!

A FREE Choir for your child to join

As we emerge from the impact of the global pandemic and the huge constraints this has had on children's singing, we are so pleased to tell you about

Warwickshire Sings!

Our talented Vocal Animators are working in 48 schools across Warwickshire. However if we are not visiting your class or even your school you can still join one of our First Voices Choirs. The choirs rehearse with the animators each week at your local Music Centre and are open to EVERY PUPIL in KS2!

Plus, the choirs are **free of charge** for the 2021—2022 academic year.

North Warwickshire First Voices	Monday: 4:15 to 5:00 p.m.	Weddington Primary School, Winchester Ave Nuneaton, CV10 0DR
East Warwickshire First Voices	Monday: 4:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.	Rugby Free Secondary School, Anderson Avenue, Rugby, CV22 5PE
Central Warwickshire First Voices	Wednesdays: 4:15p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Kenilworth School & Sixth Form, Leyes Lane, Kenilworth, CV8 2DA
South Warwickshire First Voices	Thursdays: 4:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.	King Edward VI High School Chapel Lane, Stratford-upon-Avon, CV37 6BE

Next term's rehearsals start in the week commencing: **10th January 2022**

For more information and to join a choir please go to:

<https://www.warwickshiremusichub.org/join-a-group>



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REGULAR ASYMPTOMATIC COVID19 TESTING



It is vital that staff and learners continue to test twice weekly (Sunday & Wednesday evenings) in order to identify asymptomatic cases of Covid-19.

If your child has had three tests on site, lateral flow tests will be periodically sent home from school.

Tests can also be ordered from the Governments website:

<https://test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/order-lateral-flow-kits/condition>

All Covid-19 test results, positive or negative, should be uploaded to the NHS portal.

The Snowman™ AND THE SNOWDOG

BRICK LIVE

Find all 16 models using the trail map, answer the questions, fill in your details below and return to Rugby Visitor Centre for your chance to win one of 3 brick construction sets and Snowman™ goodies!

NAME _____
AGE _____
POSTCODE _____
EMAIL _____

From time to time we would like to send you emails informing you of special events in the Rugby Town and at Rugby Art Gallery & Museum.
If you would like to be kept up-to-date please tick the box. ☐

Please hand your completed form to a staff member at Rugby Visitor Centre or post into the box provided in the foyer area. (Please check business opening hours, all businesses vary).

A winner will be drawn after the trail closes on the 3 January.
Winners will be informed by email.

Good Luck!

Winners will be announced via
The Rugby Town social media channels.



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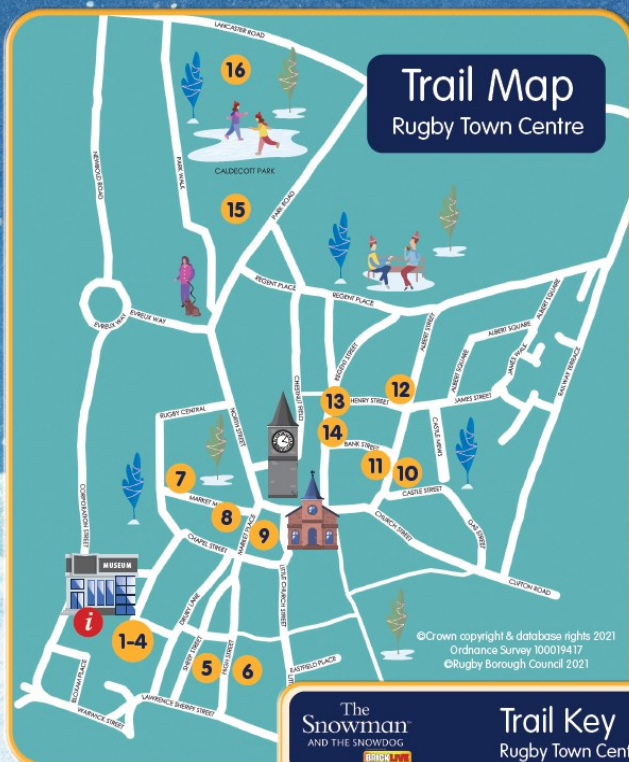
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BRICK LIVE

Trail Map Rugby Town Centre



27 November until 3 January



The Snowman™ AND THE SNOWDOG

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Trail Key Rugby Town Centre

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|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1-3. Rugby Art Gallery & Museum | 10. Elza Doolittle |
| 4. Rugby Library | 11. Curtains by Design |
| 5. The Nest | 12. Anna Lorimer Art & Framing |
| 6. Hunt's Book Shop | 13. Sass |
| 7. Rugby Central | 14. Izzy Loops |
| 8. Artists & Makers Christmas Shop | 15. Caldecott Park |
| 9. Kuri's Coffee & Comic Shop | 16. Hatty Bakewell's Cafe |

Find all 16 models using the trail map, answer the questions below and return to Rugby Visitor Centre for your chance to win one of 3 brick construction sets and Snowman™ goodies!

- How many bricks are in the Snowman™?

- How many hours did it take to build the Anatomy of a Snowman?

- How many hours did it take to build the House at Night?

- How many people built the Flying Scene?

- How many people built the Head-in-the-Hole Mosaic?

- How many bricks in the Christmas Tree?

- What is the height of the Snowdog™?

- How many hours did it take to build the Red Plane?

- How many bricks are in the Comic Snowmen?

- How many hours did it take to build Father Christmas?

- What is the height of the Kimono Snowgirl?

- How many bricks in the photo mosaic?

- How many people built the Rodeo Snowgirl?

- How many bricks in the Grandfather Clock?

- How many bricks are in Billy?

- How many bricks in the Penguin?



This event is brought to you by Rugby Borough Council with the support of the European Development Fund.

Brick by Brick

RUGBY
Art Gallery
& Museum

27 November 2021
- 22 January 2022

Your chance to see LEGO® in a way you've never seen it before. Prepare to be amazed by the incredible creations 18 international artists have made with simple plastic bricks.

And there's more! Inspired by the artworks on show, you can get hands on with activities including a LEGO® graffiti wall, build tables and a selection of LEGO® related games and competitions.

Brick by Brick is a 20-21 Visual Arts Centre Touring Exhibition.
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Artwork: Ekow Hilmako. Photography: Samuel Engkeling

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Bricks, Builds and Activities

The
Snowman
AND THE SNOWDOG
BRICK LIFE

Explore from 27 November until 3 January 2022

Winding through the town centre this uniquely crafted tour completely built from toy bricks brings these loveable characters to life in a fun, festive and delightful way. Tour map available from Rugby Visitor Centre.

Mini Masks

27th November 10.30-12.30pm

Inspired by well-loved mini figure characters, make your own mask!
£1 per child

Brick Printing

18th December 10.30-12.30pm

Print festive works of art.
£1 per child

Minifigure Parachutes

8th January 10.30-12.30pm

Design and create a parachute for your very own mini figure.
£5 per child (mini figure included)

Clay Creation

22nd January 10.30-12.30pm

Create your own clay masterpiece using patterns and shapes.
£3 per child

Toddler Tuesdays

- Messy Specials

7 & 14 December

11 & 18 January 10.30-11.30am

A fun packed session designed to help under 5's explore the gallery and enjoy a range of building and play zones.

£3 per child

Relaxed Sessions

Wednesday 22 December 4-5pm

Saturday 15 January 3-4pm

A dedicated time-slot for children with needs where they can explore the exhibition in their own time without the usual distractions.

Bricks, Beer & Vino

Thursday 13 January 5-8pm

Enjoy an evening viewing of the exhibition with friends. Admission FREE. Small selection of drinks to purchase.

Booking Essential.

Visit www.ragm.co.uk



Let's talk
about life
online

Advice and conversation starters for
supporting your child to stay safe online



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Online safety agreement

Family agreement

A great way to start positive family conversations around safe and responsible internet use, and to agree clear expectations and boundaries.

Things to consider

Getting started

- What do we enjoy doing online?
- What apps, games and websites do we use the most?
- What devices, tech, toys or games do we have with internet access?
- Do we already have any rules about use of tech we want to include in our family agreement?

Managing time online

- How long do we spend on our devices?
- How does it feel when we use tech for too long?
- How do we know when our screen use is interfering with family life?
- What can we do to help avoid overusing tech?

Sharing

- What is or isn't okay to share online?
- What should we check before posting images and videos online?
- How do we keep personal information belonging to ourselves and others safe?
- Do we need a family email address to use when signing up to new accounts?
- Do we know how to use privacy settings and strong passwords, and why these are important?
- How can we use features like livestreaming and disappearing content safely?

Online content

- What can we do if we see something online which seems unreliable or untrustworthy?
- When is it okay to download files, games or apps, or click on a link?
- Do we know what the age requirements, or ratings, on the games and apps we use mean?
- Do we need any restrictions on making in-game or in-app purchases?
- Which websites are okay for us to use?

Use the questions below to help guide your conversations, focusing on those most relevant for your family.

Turn over the page for a template where you can record your agreements and expectations in writing.

Communicating online

- Who can we talk/chat/play games with online? Do we only know them online, or offline too?
- How can we keep ourselves safe when communicating with people who we only know online?
- How can we be a good friend when we are online?

If things go wrong

- What can we do if we feel uncomfortable or upset by anything we see or hear online?
- What should we do if someone we only know online asks us for photos, to meet up, or to share personal information?
- Do we know where the report and block buttons are online?

To finish...

- How could parental controls help our family?
- What will happen if one of us breaks the family agreement?
- When should we review our family agreement?

Once you've talked about your family's use of technology and the internet, think about what simple steps you can take going forward. We've given some examples for different ages below...

We agree to... (Under 11s)

I will use my tablet for _____ mins a day.
I will make sure the children's favourite games are bookmarked for them to get to easily.

Who is responsible for this?

Hannah and Izzy
Nan

We agree to... (Pre-teens)

I will tell mum and dad when I see something that worries me.
I will put parental controls in place but review it as the children grow up.

Who is responsible for this?

Tom, Ella and Jasmin
Mum

We agree to... (Teenagers)

I will make sure all my social networking sites are private.
I won't post photos of our children without their permission.

Who is responsible for this?

Amar and Yusuf
Dad

Family agreement

Use this template to put your agreement down in writing. Why not display it somewhere at home like on the fridge or a noticeboard?

Who is this agreement for?

Top tips

- 1 Make sure that both adults and young people are open to changing their online behaviour as a result of your agreement.
- 2 Consider your tone. Are you focusing on negative behaviour or promoting positive behaviour?
- 3 Make sure your agreement works for your whole family and everyone is happy with it.
- 4 Review your agreement in the future to make sure it reflects the current needs and ages of your family.

We agree to...

E.g. Be kind and respectful online.

Who is responsible for this?

E.g. We will all make sure we only post kind comments.

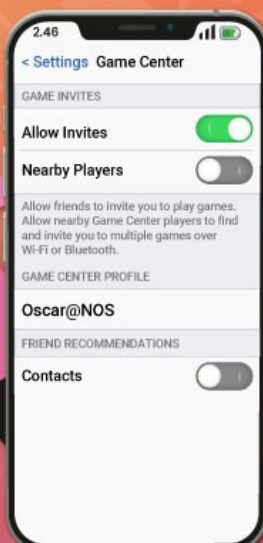
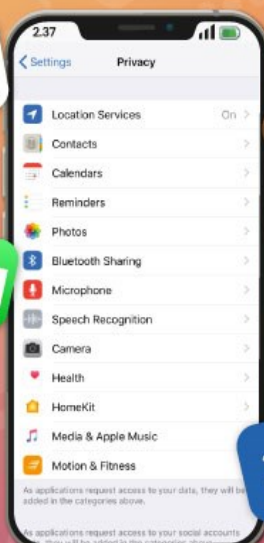
What happens if someone doesn't follow the agreement?

How long will our agreement last for and when will we review it?

Signatures

How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for APPS iPhone

Apple devices come with built-in apps already available: Mail, FaceTime and Safari, for example. However, you can choose which apps and features appear on your child's device and which ones don't. You can also manipulate the features in Game Centre to enhance your child's safety and privacy when playing games, as well as blocking iTunes or App Store purchases if you wish.



How to Restrict Built-in Apps/Features

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Allowed Apps (you may need to toggle this to 'on' at the top)
- 5 Enable or disable the apps you wish to appear (or disappear) on your child's device

How to Restrict Game Centre

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Content Restrictions (you may need to switch the toggle at the top to the 'on' position)
- 5 Scroll down to Game Centre
- 6 Choose between Allow, Don't Allow, or Allow with Friends Only in the settings for each feature

How to Restrict iTunes & App Store Purchases

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap iTunes & App Store Purchases
- 5 Select Allow or Don't Allow for each feature (you can also lock these settings with a password)

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

FRIDAY 10TH DECEMBER

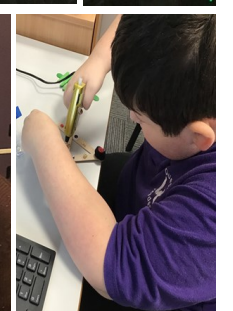
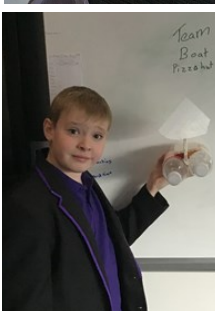
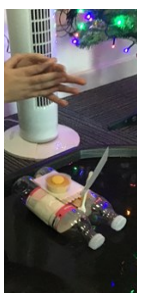
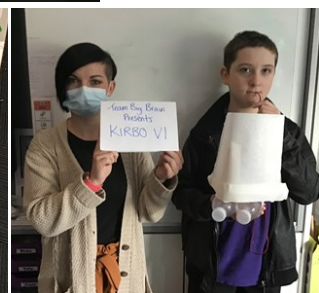
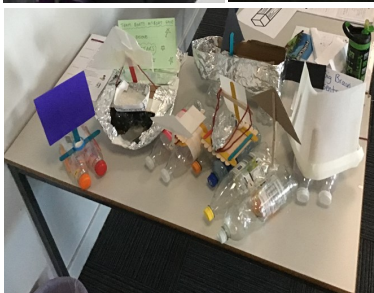
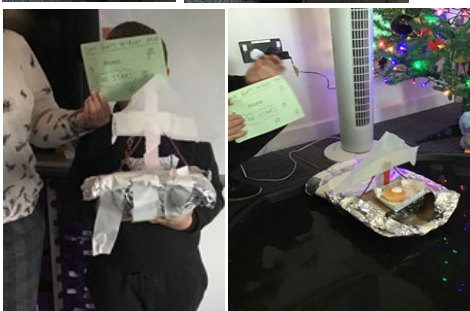


HELEN KELLER CLASS

HK have been having fun learning all about water resistance and streamlining.

They also worked hard on making Christmas decorations to show kindness and respect .

Everyone has a bauble with a picture inside demonstrating kindness and respect.



EMPIRE BISCUITS

Ingredients

50g icing sugar
135g butter or soft spread
200g soft flour
Jam
Fondant or water icing



Equipment

Weighing scales, mixer with dough hook, rolling pin, pastry cutters, baking sheet, cooling rack, Bain Marie/microwave, piping bag

Method

1. Using a mixer fitted with a dough hook attachment, mix the icing sugar and butter or soft spread until it clears the side of the bowl. BUT DO NOT CREAM!
2. Add the flour and on a slow speed mix until it clears the side of the bowl.
3. Roll out to approx. 4mm thick using a rolling pin and dusting flour.
4. Cut out using a 4" plain or fluted cutter – each biscuit should weigh about 30g.
5. Once cut place a sheet of silicone paper on the baking sheet and place the biscuits on top.
6. Bake at 175c for 16 minutes.
7. The biscuits should be sandwiched together with jam whilst still warm and can be decorated with fondant or water icing.
8. The fondant icing should be heated to no higher than 37c.
9. Finish with jelly sweet in the centre.

Top tips

The less you handle the biscuit paste the better.



Food skills

 Weigh	 Mix	 Cut out
 Roll out	 Bake	 Decorate

SAFEGUARDING & FAMILY FOOTINGS



- **Stevie-Jayne** is responsible for lower school families and is available on;
Stevie.JayneFarrell@macintyreacademies.org Work mobile 07504001918



- **Joan** is responsible for upper school families and is available on;
Joan.goodrich@macintyreacademies.org Work mobile 07377990796

We are available to help families with things like accessing family support, Early Help, Child In Need Meetings, Child Protection Meetings, taxi queries, support working with other professionals such as CAMHS, general safeguarding questions and much more.

Quest Contact details:

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Anderson Avenue
Rugby
Warwickshire
CV22 5PE

E: quest.office@macintyreacademies.org

T: 01788 593 112

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:

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.

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.

