



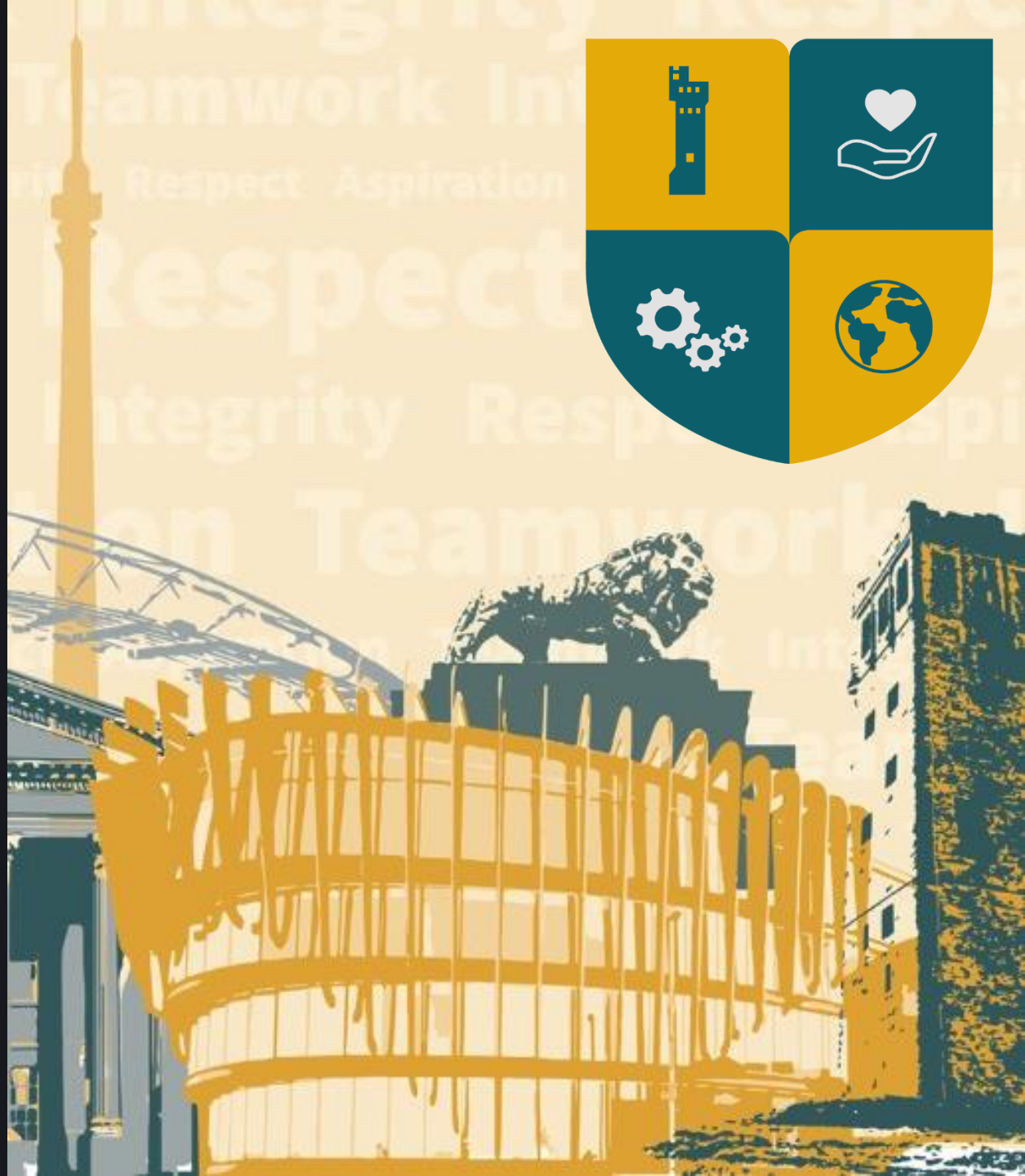
# NewsLetter

# FAMILY NEWS WEEKLY UPDATE

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## Welcome!

A very warm welcome to Newsome Academy - the best choice for your child's next steps in their education. We aim to ensure your child has the best possible chance of achieving their potential and preparing for the future.

This all starts with our first transition evening on Thursday 22nd May at 5:00pm. Here you will meet key staff members who will be there for your child from day 1; be given a pack with information in preparation for starting in September and this will include introductory forms and the uniform voucher. You will also have the opportunity to ask any questions.



**CLICK HERE  
TO SEE YOUR  
WELCOME VIDEO!**

*Stay  
tuned*

Add us on 'X' to see daily updates.  
We will also update you on email.



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|                          | 9.00 Start | 9:10 P1<br>60m  | 10.10 P2<br>60m  | 11.10 Break | 11.30 P3<br>60m  | 12.30 P4<br>60m  | 13.30 Lunch | P5<br>60m                             |
|--------------------------|------------|---|------------------|-------------|--|------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Mon</b><br>3/3/2025   |            | Combined Science Biology - Paper 1 (2 x topics) & Paper 2 (1hr 30m)<br>Separate Biology - Paper 1 & 2 Bespoke (1hr 45m) | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   | History - Paper 1 (1hr 20m)                            | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   |                                       |
| <b>Tue</b><br>4/3/2025   |            | RE- Paper 1 (1hr 45m)   | Extra time (25m) | To lesson   | Geography - Paper 1 (1hr 30m)                          | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   | MFL - French - Listening (F=35m H=45) |
| <b>Wed</b><br>5/3/2025   |            | English - Language - Paper 1 (1hr 45m)  | Extra time (25m) | To lesson   | Maths - Paper 1 (1hr 30m)                              | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   |                                       |
| <b>Thur</b><br>6/3/2025  |            | English - Literature - Paper 1 (1hr 45m)  | Extra time (25m) | To lesson   | Business (1hr 30m)                                     | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   |                                       |
| <b>Fri</b><br>7/3/2025   |            | Combined Science Chem - Paper 1 (2 x topics) & Paper 2 (1hr 30m)<br>Separate Chem - Paper 1 & 2 Bespoke (1hr 45m)       | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   | Computing (1hr 30m)                                    | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   |                                       |
|                          |            |   |                  |             | MFL - French - Reading Paper (F=45m H=60)              | Extra time (15m) | To lesson   |                                       |
| <b>Mon</b><br>10/3/2025  |            | Maths - Paper 2 (1hr 30m)   | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   | Geography- Paper 2 (1hr 30m)                           | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   |                                       |
| <b>Tue</b><br>11/3/2025  |            | RE - Paper 2 (1hr 45m)  | Extra time (25m) | To lesson   | MFL - French - Writing Paper (F = 1hr 15m H = 1hr 20m) | Extra time (18m) | To lesson   |                                       |
| <b>Wed</b><br>12/3/2025  |            | Combined Science Physics - Paper 1 (2 x topics) & Paper 2 (1hr 30m)<br>Separate Physics - Paper 1 & 2 Bespoke (1hr 45m) | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   | Health (1hr 30m)                                       | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   |                                       |
| <b>Thur</b><br>13/3/2025 |            | History - Paper 2 (1hr 50m)   | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   | Food (1hr 30m)   | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   |                                       |
| <b>Fri</b><br>14/3/2025  |            | Maths - Paper 3 (1hr 30m)   | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   | Geography- Paper 3 (45m)                               | Extra time (10m) | To lesson   |                                       |
| <b>Mon</b><br>17/3/2025  |            | Art (Controlled Assessment)   |                  |             | Art (Controlled Assessment)                            |                  |             | Art (Controlled Assessment)           |
| <b>Tue</b><br>18/3/2025  |            | Statistics - Paper (1hr 30m)  | Extra time (20m) | To lesson   |  |                  |             |                                       |

# CALENDAR



# 4 WEEKS

# UNTIL

# NEXT

# BREAK

MOCK  
EXAMS

WE  
ARE  
HERE

Y11 REAL  
EXAMS

Y7-10 YEAR  
END EXAMS

| 2025                               |          |       |                                    |  |       |       |
|------------------------------------|----------|-------|------------------------------------|--|-------|-------|
| January                            | February | March | April                              | May                                    | June  | July  |
| 1 We <small>New Year's Day</small> | 1 Sa     | 1 Sa  | 1 Tu                               | 1 Th                                   | 1 Su  | 1 Tu  |
| 2 Th                               | 2 Su     | 2 Su  | 2 We                               | 2 Fr                                   | 2 Mo  | 2 We  |
| 3 Fr                               | 3 Mo     | 3 Mo  | 3 Th                               | 3 Sa                                   | 3 Tu  | 3 Th  |
| 4 Sa                               | 4 Tu     | 4 Tu  | 4 Fr                               | 4 Su                                   | 4 We  | 4 Fr  |
| 5 Su                               | 5 We     | 5 We  | 5 Sa                               | 5 Mo <small>Early May Bk. Hol.</small> | 5 Th  | 5 Sa  |
| 6 Mo                               | 6 Th     | 6 Th  | 6 Su                               | 6 Tu                                   | 6 Fr  | 6 Su  |
| 7 Tu                               | 7 Fr     | 7 Fr  | 7 Su                               | 7 We                                   | 7 Sa  | 7 Tu  |
| 8 We                               | 8 Sa     | 8 Sa  | 8 Tu                               | 8 Th                                   | 8 Mo  | 8 We  |
| 9 Th                               | 9 Su     | 9 Su  | 9 We                               | 9 Fr                                   | 9 Tu  | 9 Th  |
| 10 Fr                              | 10 Mo    | 10 Mo | 10 Th                              | 10 Sa                                  | 10 We | 10 Fr |
| 11 Sa                              | 11 Tu    | 11 Tu | 11 Fr                              | 11 Su                                  | 11 Th | 11 Sa |
| 12 Su                              | 12 We    | 12 We | 12 Sa                              | 12 Mo                                  | 12 Th | 12 Sa |
| 13 Mo                              | 13 Th    | 13 Th | 13 Su                              | 13 Tu                                  | 13 Fr | 13 Su |
| 14 Tu                              | 14 Fr    | 14 Fr | 14 Mo                              | 14 We                                  | 14 Sa | 14 Tu |
| 15 We                              | 15 Sa    | 15 Sa | 15 Tu                              | 15 Th                                  | 15 Su | 15 We |
| 16 Th                              | 16 Su    | 16 Su | 16 We                              | 16 Fr                                  | 16 Mo | 16 Th |
| 17 Fr                              | 17 Mo    | 17 Mo | 17 Th                              | 17 Sa                                  | 17 Tu | 17 Fr |
| 18 Sa                              | 18 Tu    | 18 Tu | 18 Fr <small>Good Friday</small>   | 18 Su                                  | 18 We | 18 Sa |
| 19 Su                              | 19 We    | 19 We | 19 Sa                              | 19 Mo                                  | 19 Th | 19 Sa |
| 20 Mo                              | 20 Th    | 20 Th | 20 Su                              | 20 Tu                                  | 20 Fr | 20 Su |
| 21 Tu                              | 21 Fr    | 21 Fr | 21 Mo <small>Easter Monday</small> | 21 We                                  | 21 Sa | 21 Mo |
| 22 We                              | 22 Sa    | 22 Sa | 22 Tu                              | 22 Th                                  | 22 Su | 22 Tu |
| 23 Th                              | 23 Su    | 23 Su | 23 We                              | 23 Fr                                  | 23 Mo | 23 We |
| 24 Fr                              | 24 Mo    | 24 Mo | 24 Th                              | 24 Sa                                  | 24 Tu | 24 Th |
| 25 Sa                              | 25 Tu    | 25 Tu | 25 Fr                              | 25 Su                                  | 25 We | 25 Fr |
| 26 Su                              | 26 We    | 26 We | 26 Sa                              | 26 Mo <small>Spring Bk. Hol.</small>   | 26 Th | 26 Sa |
| 27 Mo                              | 27 Th    | 27 Th | 27 Su                              | 27 Tu                                  | 27 Fr | 27 Su |
| 28 Tu                              | 28 Fr    | 28 Fr | 28 Mo                              | 28 We                                  | 28 Sa | 28 Mo |
| 29 We                              |          | 29 Sa | 29 Tu                              | 29 Th                                  | 29 Su | 29 Tu |
| 30 Th                              |          | 30 Su | 30 We                              | 30 Fr                                  | 30 Mo | 30 We |
| 31 Fr                              |          | 31 Mo | 14                                 | 1 Sa                                   |       | 31 Th |

**GCSEs START 12TH MAY**  
GCSE results day in 2025 is Thursday,  
August 21 when you collect your results

# HALF-TERM EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATIONAL ORGANISATION

Facilitate your child's memory development by:

- Looking through our [Curriculum Plans](#) to see the bigger picture.
- Going through the [Study Support Pack](#) with you.
- Going through the [Knowledge Organisers](#) and testing your knowledge



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## WEEK 1 – WEEK STARTING 24TH FEBRUARY

- PRIDE IN BOOKS

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| MONDAY    | WHOLE SCHOOL SEMINAR: ROUTINES (CHA)<br>Y8-11 – KNIFE CRIME AWARENESS SEMINARS |
| TUESDAY   | NRT TESTS – Y11 P1/2 (SELECTED STUDENTS ONLY)                                  |
| WEDNESDAY | ROUTINE CHECK  |
| THURSDAY  | ROUTINE CHECK  |
| FRIDAY    | RAMADAN BEGINS SATURDAY 1 <sup>ST</sup> MARCH                                  |

## WEEK 2 – WEEK STARTING 3<sup>RD</sup> MARCH

- KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER CHECK

Y11 MOCKS  
WEEK 1

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| MONDAY    | WHOLE-SCHOOL SEMINAR: RAMADAN (KST) (IN TEAMS) |
| TUESDAY   | CAREERS WEEK                                   |
| WEDNESDAY | CAREERS WEEK                                   |
| THURSDAY  | WORLD BOOK DAY                                 |
| FRIDAY    | SPIN EVENT – BIGGEST EVER FOOTBALL DAY         |

WE  
ARE  
HERE

Y11 MOCKS  
WEEK 2

## WEEK 3 – WEEK STARTING 10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

- EXCEPTIONAL ROUTINES

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| MONDAY    | WHOLE SCHOOL SEMINAR: NO LABELS (AHA) (IN TEAMS)<br>THE BIG SING<br>BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK – CHANGE AND ADAPT |
| TUESDAY   | SPIN EVENT – YEAR 2 MULTI-SKILLS  |
| WEDNESDAY | Y9 NATIONAL CAREERS CHALLENGE   |
| THURSDAY  | SPIN EVENT – AIM ACADEMY  |
| FRIDAY    | ROUTINE CHECK   |

## WEEK 4 – WEEK STARTING 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

Y11 MOCKS  
WEEK 3

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| MONDAY    | WHOLE SCHOOL SEMINAR: RED NOSE DAY (KST/SMI) |
| TUESDAY   | ROUTINE CHECK                                |
| WEDNESDAY | ROUTINE CHECK                                |
| THURSDAY  | SPIN EVENT – U11 NETBALL TOURNAMENT          |
| FRIDAY    | COMIC RELIEF & WORLD MATHS DAY on Sunday     |

## WEEK 5 – WEEK STARTING 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

- EXCEPTIONAL PRIDE IN BOOKS

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| MONDAY    | WHOLE SCHOOL SEMINAR: EASTER (SBE)                     |
| TUESDAY   | YEAR 11 ACHIEVEMENT EVENING                            |
| WEDNESDAY | ROUTINE CHECK  |
| THURSDAY  | YEAR 8 PROGRESS EVENING<br>YEAR 11 GCSE EVENING        |
| FRIDAY    | EID – SUNDAY 30 <sup>TH</sup> /MONDAY 31 <sup>ST</sup> |

## WEEK 6 – WEEK STARTING 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH

|  |           |   |
|--|-----------|---|
|  | MONDAY    | WHOLE SCHOOL SEMINAR: STAY SAFE AT EASTER (AHA) |
|  | TUESDAY   | ROUTINE CHECK                                   |
|  | WEDNESDAY | ROUTINE CHECK                                   |
|  | THURSDAY  | ROUTINE CHECK                                   |
|  | FRIDAY    | DC2 REPORTS SENT HOME                           |



# WE OFFER A RANGE OF CLUBS FOR FUN AND LEARNING THAT STUDENTS CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF...

## Extra-Curricular Activities: Spring Term 2 24/25 (3-4pm)

| DAY       | CLUB   | LOCATION  | STAFF  | P6 Wk A         | P6 Wk B              |
|-----------|--|---|--|-----------------|----------------------|
| MONDAY    | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Netball - Y7 – 10</li> <li>Homework Club</li> <li>Cooking Club</li> <li>DOFE</li> <li>Algebra L3 Drop In – yr10 invite only</li> </ol>  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sportshall/Astro</li> <li>608</li> <li>602</li> <li>402</li> <li>407</li> </ol>                      | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HRA/MHO</li> <li>DTU</li> <li>GCO</li> <li>GEA/JDA</li> <li>MAS</li> </ol>                          | MFL<br>BUSINESS | HISTORY<br>GEOGRAPHY |
| TUESDAY   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wheelchair Basketball – Invite only</li> </ol>  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sports hall</li> </ol>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SCU</li> </ol>  | ENGLISH         | ENGLISH              |
| WEDNESDAY | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Homework Club</li> <li>Girls Football</li> <li>Choir</li> <li>Cricket Nets</li> <li>BSL Club</li> <li>Computing Club</li> </ol>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>608</li> <li>Astro</li> <li>402</li> <li>Sports hall</li> <li>803</li> <li>608</li> </ol>            | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DTU</li> <li>External/HHI</li> <li>ECO</li> <li>JDA</li> <li>DCR</li> <li>OMO</li> </ol>            | MATHS           | MATHS                |
| THURSDAY  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GCSE Art – KS4 only</li> <li>Homework Club</li> <li>Trampolining</li> <li>Music Club</li> <li>Cheerleading</li> <li>Sparx Club</li> <li>Photography Support Yr 10 ONLY</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>609</li> <li>60</li> <li>Gym</li> <li>402</li> <li>Dance Studio</li> <li>406</li> <li>601</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LSN</li> <li>NMA</li> <li>JDA/GEA/HR</li> <li>AMC</li> <li>SMT</li> <li>EBU</li> <li>AME</li> </ol> | SCIENCE         | SCIENCE              |
| FRIDAY    | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Creative Club- RM, Textiles, Art</li> <li>Badminton</li> <li>Climbing</li> </ol>  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>607</li> <li>Sports hall</li> <li>Gym</li> </ol>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AME/LMA</li> <li>HRA</li> <li>LST</li> </ol>  | OPTION C        | OPTION B             |



# EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

## 3PM-4PM







Independent learning will be set as per the timetable below for each year group to ensure it is spread out across the week. Failure to complete homework to an acceptable standard will be recorded on ClassCharts.


|         | Monday           | Tuesday      | Wednesday    | Thursday      | Friday   |
|---------|------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|----------|
| Year 7* | 7NEW MFL         | English      | Science      | Maths         | 7SOM MFL |
| Year 8* | 8NEW MFL         | 8SOM MFL     | Maths        | English       | Science  |
| Year 9* | MFL              | Science      | English      |               | Maths    |
| Year 10 | English Option C | Maths        | MFL Option D | Science       | Hums     |
| Year 11 | Maths            | MFL Option D | English      | Hums Option C | Science  |

- Due to A/B Week timetables, classes in Years 7-9 will receive Hums and VTC homework at different times each week.



## HOMEWORK CALENDAR





Here is a reminder of the resources that are on offer to you whilst learning at home. Students are lucky enough to get above and beyond that of most schools and it's important these are taken advantage of for success.

### KEY STAGE 3 (YEARS 7,8,9)

#### **KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS**

This is broken down per each half term and contain content and questions to work from home on.

#### **HOMEWORK SCHEDULE**

This supports time management at home and a guide for Teachers so work issuing is not given all in one go.

### KEY STAGE 4 (YEARS 10& 11)

#### **EXAM BOARD LIST**

The list on the previous page offers guidance of the vast range of online resources such as past papers etc. This should be used as a guide.

#### **REVISION GUIDES**

ALL students have/will been given **FREE** guides which they should have at home. There's no excuses for loss

### WIDER SUPPORT

ADDITIONAL SOFTWARE LINKS | WELLBEING APPS | INDEPENDENT STUDY GUIDES



# HOME LEARNING







**Newsome  
Academy**

**SHOUT  
OUT!  
10 AME  
99.20%**



| Attendance Matters |           |                   |
|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| 100%               | 0 DAYS    | 0 LESSONS MISSED  |
| 99%                | 1 DAY     | 5 LESSONS MISSED  |
| 98%                | 3 DAYS    | 15 LESSONS MISSED |
| 97%                | 1 WEEK    | 25 LESSONS MISSED |
| 96%                | 1.5 WEEKS | 35 LESSONS MISSED |
| 94%                | 2 WEEKS   | 50 LESSONS MISSED |
| 93%                | 2.5 WEEKS | 65 LESSONS MISSED |
| 92%                | 3 WEEKS   | 75 LESSONS MISSED |
| 90%                | 3.5 WEEKS | 90 LESSONS MISSED |

Current Whole school to date = 93.5%

**WEEKLY WINNERS!!!!**

**Year 7 – CRI 98.12%**

**Year 8 – HIR 98.52%**

**Year 9 – SJO 98.40%**

**Year 10- AME 99.20%**

**Year 11- BOA 99.0%**

**BEST Year group = Year 7 95.96%**





Safeguarding  
and  
Wellbeing  
Team



First Aid



Online  
safety -  
Smoothwall



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Curriculum



Staff and  
Recruitment



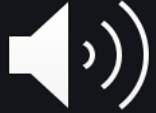
Attendance  
and  
registers



Policies  
(Evacuate  
and  
invacuate)



Site  
Corridor  
Routines



Exceptional  
★★★★★

# Safeguarding Routines

*Keeping you safe is our number one priority*

# THIS WEEK'S SEMINAR



'No Labels'





# First, what do we mean by a label?

Drama Queen

Geek

Autistic

Plain Jane

Dyslexic

Bad Driver

Girly Girl

'No Labels' 



People are going  
to *label* you.  
It's how you  
*overcome* those  
labels, that's  
what **counts**.

- One Tree Hill





# Social Labels







“

*I think the reward for conformity is that everyone likes you except yourself. **Rita Mae Brown***

”



## Labelling starts early...

- if labels are given to us early enough we can even *become* our labels.
- Labels can create a ‘box’ we feel uncomfortable stretching out of. It’s easy to get into the *habit* of behaving in ways that are expected of us—and limit ourselves.

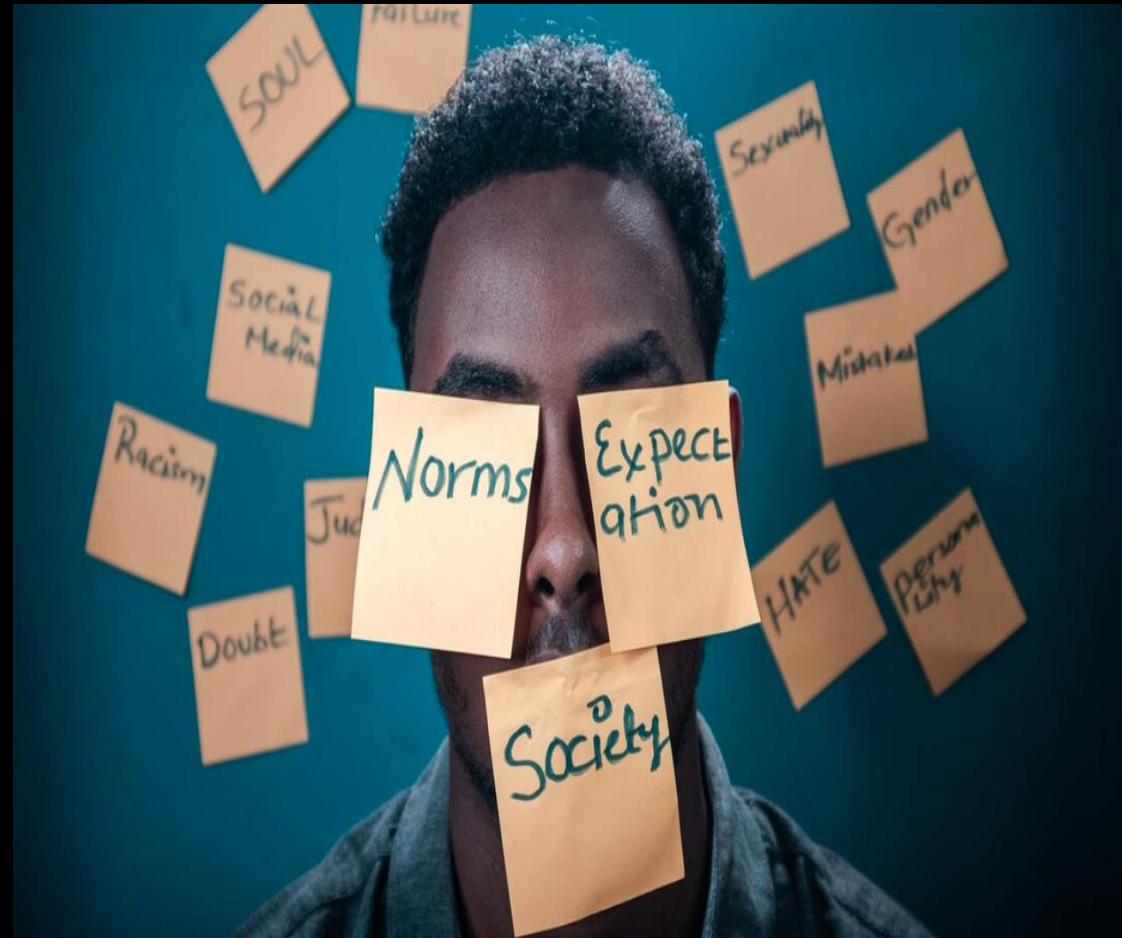


# The Advantages of Labels





# How Labels Hurt Us







## How to move beyond labels

By becoming aware of labels, you can start to loosen their hold on you. Then you can begin to challenge them and test them against reality.

Labels don't have to run your life. Labels put you in a box, but you can open that box and break free.



*Labels are for filing. Labels are for clothing. Labels are not for people. Martina Navratilova*



Question your labels by asking...

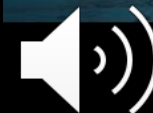
Is this label currently true?

Was this label ever true?

Who told me this?

Is this label actually negative? Or was I told it was negative?

Is this label harming me or boosting me?

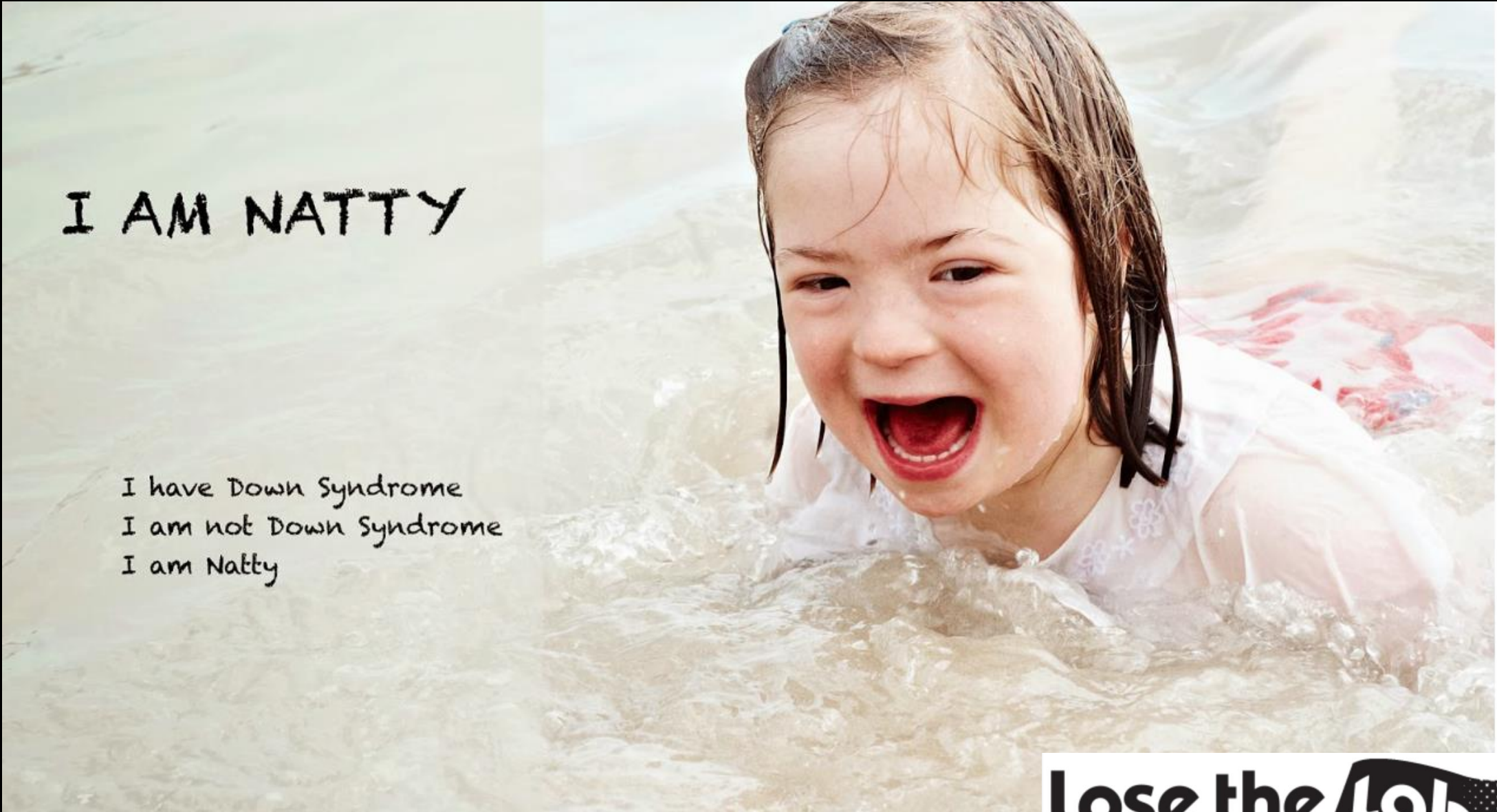


Is this label?



# I AM NATTY

I have Down Syndrome  
I am not Down Syndrome  
I am Natty





## Wendy's Story

***SEE THE PERSON  
beneath the  
label forced upon  
them...you  
maybe surprised  
at the person you  
find.....***

