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The winning house this week is Yellow House who may wear their own clothes on FRIDAY.

Commendation Awards

Dylan M

Sofia M

Charlotte F

Jamie S

Helena P

Chloe W

Lottie B

Eliza K

Libby B

Theo S

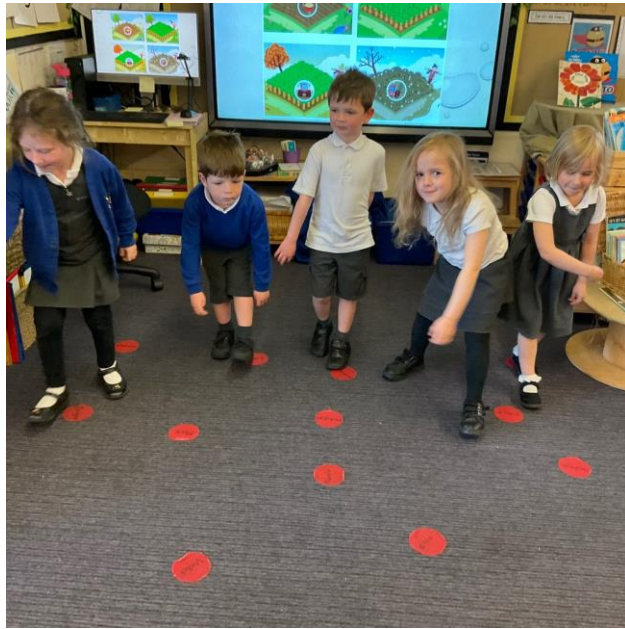
Matylda N

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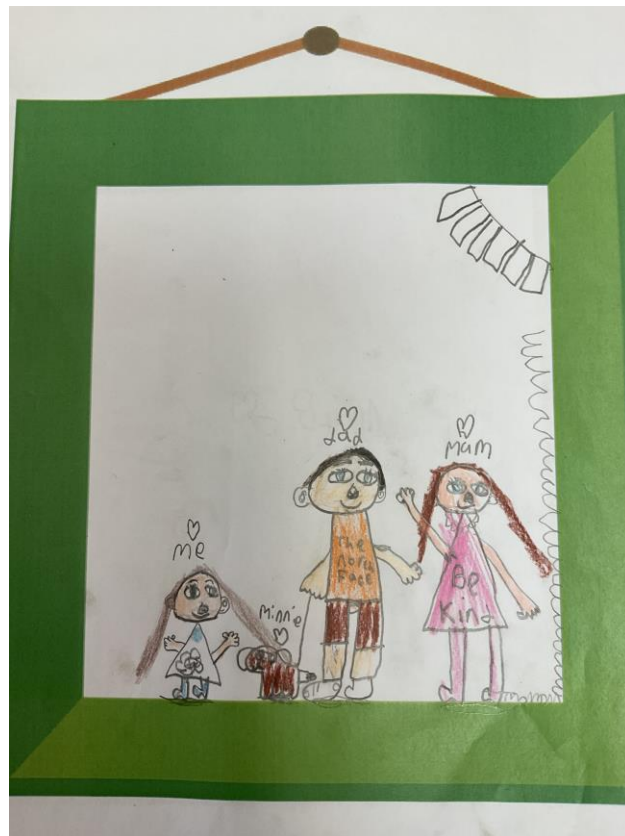
The children in Reception are very excited about our farm trip next week and have been exploring a year on the farm . We discussed how our lives change according to the seasons, and then thought about how farmers' lives change with the seasons. We talked about the different times of the year which are important for farmers, such as harvest time or when it's time to sow seeds. We identified the changes on a farm during spring, summer, autumn and winter.

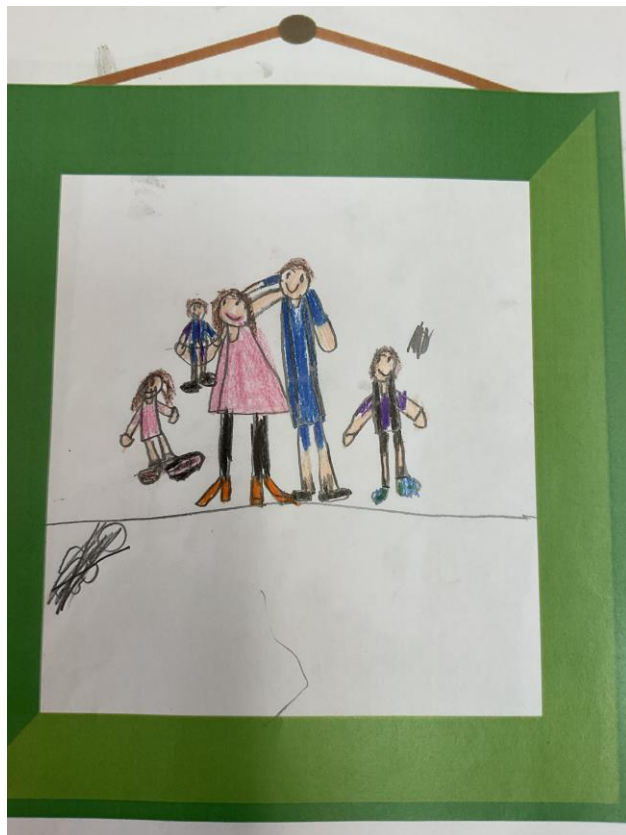
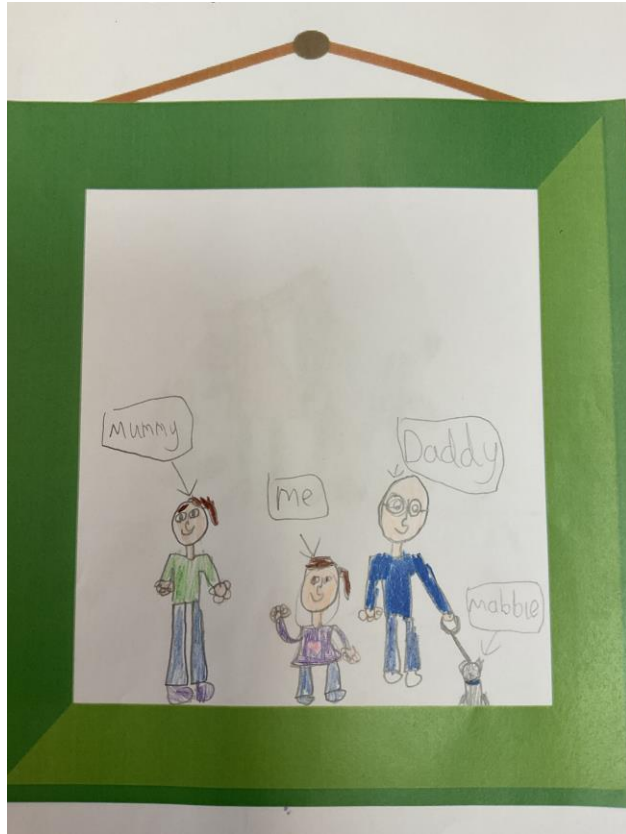


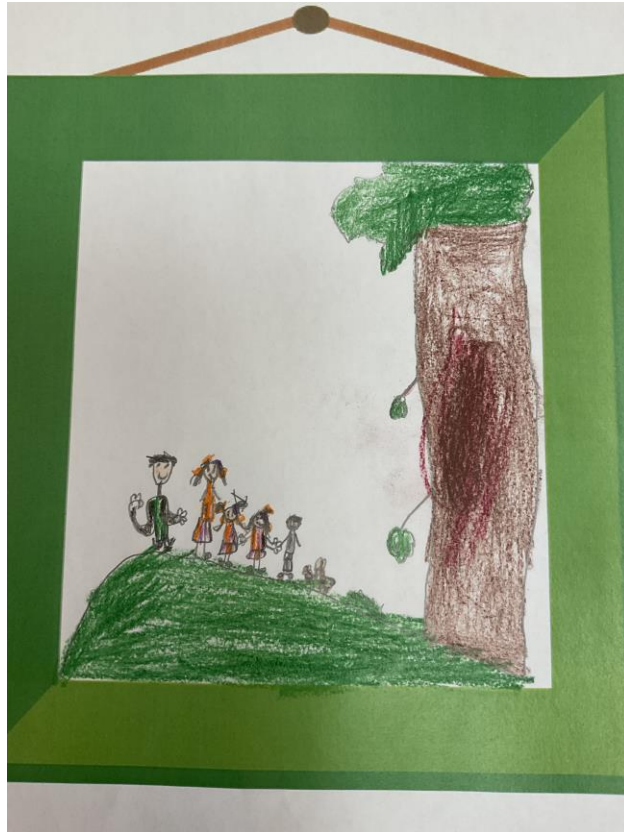


KS1

In Geography this term, we are answering the question, 'How are Poynton and the Daintree Rainforest the same and different'. We began by recalling what we already know about the UK. We looked at the four countries and their capitals. We looked at the story, 'Where the forest meets the sea', to introduce Australia. We compared the size of the UK to Australia by using a world map. In PSHE, we have been looking at the human life cycle, family and people that are important to us. We created our own family portraits.



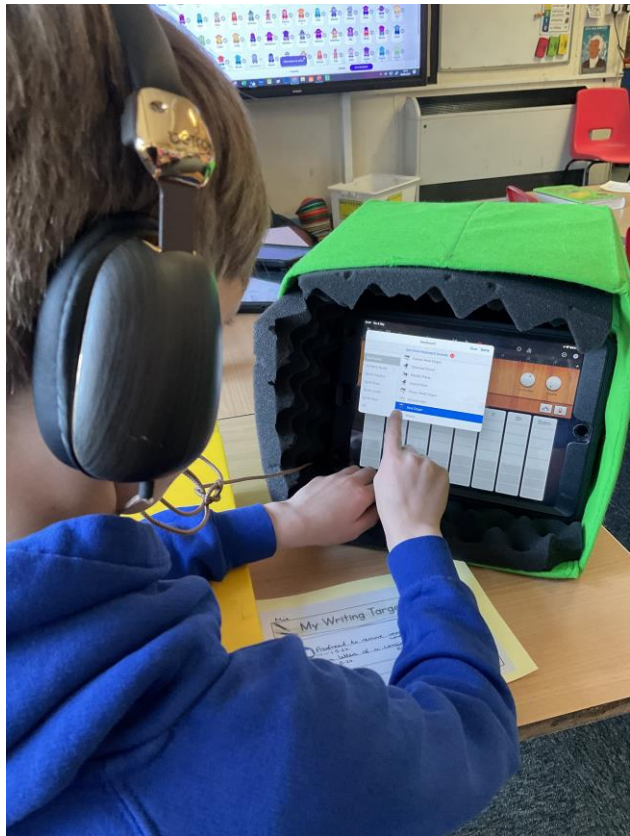




LKS2

This week, LKS2 have been learning about how the Roman Empire grew from a small Italian city to dominate an area that covered the entire Mediterranean. We created animated presentations in our History lessons to explain this growth. Each slide showed a European map which highlighted the size of the Empire for that given era. This had been identified using the drawing feature in Keynote. We have also been using the iPads in our computing lessons too. After planning our film soundtracks, we have now started to create the sounds using the smart instruments in GarageBand. We have begun to create dramatic tracks by introducing individual instruments and layering the different dynamic tracks to convey a mood or feeling.







UKS2

We are delighted to share with you an update on the exciting Design and Technology (DT) work Upper Key Stage 2 (UKS2) children have been engaged in this term.

Our children have enjoyed this hands-on project, creating their very own phone cases using felt. This project has not only been a fun and creative but has also allowed our children to develop a range of important skills.

Throughout the term, the children have honed their abilities in various areas of design and craftsmanship. They started by designing their phone cases, considering both aesthetic appeal and functionality. Next, they learned to accurately measure and create templates for their designs, ensuring precision in their work. From basic stitches to more difficult needlework, the children have embraced the challenge of sewing with enthusiasm. They have shown remarkable patience and skill in their sewing, leading to beautifully crafted phone cases.

On a lighter note, we have also become quite adept at threading many, many needles!





SATs

We wanted to take a moment to acknowledge the hard work and dedication that your children have put into preparing for the upcoming SATS next week. They have shown remarkable effort and resilience throughout this process, and we are truly proud of each and every one of them.

As we approach next week, it's important to remind ourselves and our children that, while the tests feel significant, it does not define them. They are unique individuals with diverse talents, strengths, and personalities that go far beyond any test score.

While we encourage them to do their best during the SATS, please also remind them to stay calm, focused, and confident. The most important thing is that they feel proud of their efforts, regardless of the outcome. We value their growth, progress, and the wonderful individuals they are becoming.

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement. Together, we can ensure that our children approach the SATS with a positive mindset and a sense of pride in all that they have achieved so far.

Attendance

Our attendance is currently 96.5%.

I am sure you will be proud to know that this places Lower Park School in the top 10% nationally and we are ranked 5 out of 120 local authority schools. Thank you for working with us to value your child's attendance as every session really does count. Over the next few weeks, we will be reaching out to the small percentage of our school community with persistent absence to see what support we can offer. Thank you to everyone for this fantastic achievement.

Football in Milan

We're delighted to share with you an exciting adventure that one of our pupils had recently. Our talented footballer, Hudson, went on a memorable trip to Milan with his football team. During this trip, he not only demonstrated leadership skills but also represented our school admirably as the team captain. He also scored both goals!

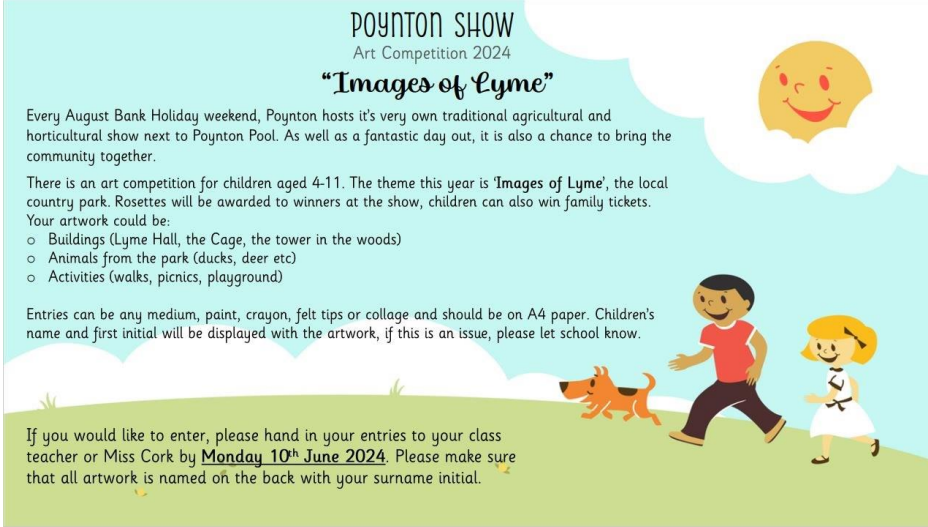
Hudson was happy to share his experience with us:

“I’m excited to tell you about my exciting trip to Milan with my football team. First, we took a short plane trip from Manchester to Milan, which only took about an hour and a half. It was my first time flying by myself, and I felt so grown-up! Whilst we were there, we played two games. One was against AC Milan juniors, where we drew 2-2. The other match was played against a local team called Milano Football Academy. I was honoured to be the captain of our team. Although we didn't win either game, we played really well and showed great teamwork. It was tough competition, but we gave it our all.

After one of the games, I had a special moment when I exchanged shirts with the captain of the Milano Football Academy team. It was such a cool souvenir from the trip. Overall, it was a fantastic time. The city of Milan was beautiful, and I loved eating Italian foods like pizza and ice cream. This trip is something I will remember forever.”



Poynton Show Artwork Competition

The poster features a light blue background with a smiling sun in a white cloud on the right. At the bottom, there is an illustration of a boy in a red shirt and dark pants, a girl in a white dress, and a brown dog walking on a green grassy field. The text is arranged in a clean, organized layout.

POYNTON SHOW
Art Competition 2024
"Images of Lyme"

Every August Bank Holiday weekend, Poynton hosts its very own traditional agricultural and horticultural show next to Poynton Pool. As well as a fantastic day out, it is also a chance to bring the community together.

There is an art competition for children aged 4-11. The theme this year is 'Images of Lyme', the local country park. Rosettes will be awarded to winners at the show, children can also win family tickets.

Your artwork could be:

- Buildings (Lyme Hall, the Cage, the tower in the woods)
- Animals from the park (ducks, deer etc)
- Activities (walks, picnics, playground)

Entries can be any medium, paint, crayon, felt tips or collage and should be on A4 paper. Children's name and first initial will be displayed with the artwork, if this is an issue, please let school know.

If you would like to enter, please hand in your entries to your class teacher or Miss Cork by **Monday 10th June 2024**. Please make sure that all artwork is named on the back with your surname initial.

Communication from the PTA

Bingo

We are looking forward to the Bingo tomorrow at the Civic Centre.

Disco

The next disco is planned for Thursday 23rd May, tickets are now on sale from the school office.

- *KS1: 15:45 - 16:45*
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£5 which includes a snack bag, spider survey to make your choices. Children can bring clothes to change in to after school.

- *KS2: 17:00 - 18:00*
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£2 ticket and a suggested £3 spending money for the tuck shop

Summer fair

Plans for the summer fair on Saturday 29th June are well underway. It's set to be a really fabulous day that will see the school filled with stalls, games, inflatables, entertainment and bar! More details to follow over the coming weeks.

Poynton Party in the Park

*If you're thinking about going to Party in the Park this year, would you please consider using our PTA code **LPPRIMARY24** so that the school can earn 10% of any ticket sales?*

- Visit www.poyntonparty.com
 - Select "Add to order" rather than "Express checkout" as the code doesn't work with the express checkout
 - Enter **LPPRIMARY24** in the "add a promotional code" box
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Dates for the diary



Diary dates for Summer 2024

13th - 16th May - SATs week

17th May - Reception visit to Gruff Outdoor Learning

20th May - Year Group and Leavers photos

21st May - Sports day (Reserve day - 2nd July) KS2 - 9.15am start, KS1&R - 1.20pm Start, Please enter through the side gate near the Hollies

w/c 10th June - Year 1 phonics screen/ Year 4 Multiplication Times Tables Check

11th June - Year 2 visit to Crown Farm Quarry

18th June - Year visit to Crown Farm Quarry

12th - 14th June - Year 6 residential visit to Menai

24th - 26th June - Year 4 residential visit to Trafford Hall, Chester

25th June - Year 3 One Adventure Day - Remember to give permission on School Spider

8th July - Year 6 Induction Day at Poynton High School

17th July - Open Evening 4.00 - 6.00pm

24th July - Year 6 Prom

26th July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Community noticeboard



MTLFC

WILD CATS

FREE football for girls aged 5-11

Wednesday evenings, 6-7pm

The Macclesfield Academy



Kings
1502

'EXCELLENT' IN ALL AREAS
- ISI Inspection 2022

THE SUNDAY TIMES
SCHOOLS GUIDE 2024
TOP 10 INDEPENDENT SCHOOL FOR ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE NORTH WEST

Year 5 Taster Day
Friday 28 June
(for Senior entry September 2025)

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www.cheshireeast.gov.uk





Cheshire East SEND Partnership

Parent Drop in sessions

**Is your child on the Autism / ADHD Pathway for
diagnosis?**

Would you like information and support whilst on this Pathway?

Come along to one of our drop-in sessions at Oakenclough Family Hub and meet
with professionals who can share guidance and support and answer any
questions you may have...

Professionals from CAMHS, Education, Social Care amongst others will be
available to signpost and give advice...



Where?

Oakenclough Family Hub
Colshaw Drive
Wimslow
SK9 2FZ

When?

- Thursday 4th April 2024 - 9am until 12pm
- Thursday 9th May 2024 - 10am-12pm
- Thursday 20th June 2024 - 3.30-6.30pm



UNCLASSIFIED



AllGood Cycling



MACCLESFIELD BIKEATHON FAMILY RIDE!



LOOKING FOR A VALUE FOR MONEY DAY OUT?!
SIGN UP TO OUR 12 MILE FAMILY RIDE!

SATURDAY 11TH MAY 2024

Starting from the Town Hall, Market Place, Macclesfield, SK10 1EA.
Goodies on the day include free ice-cream, completion certificate, and more!

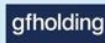
SIGN UP AND FUNDRAISE FOR JUST DROP-IN!

Register here!



Make it a sponsored ride here!

A HUGE THANK-YOU TO ALL OUR SPONSORS!



One Project Ukraine



Poynton Rotary Club

(in Support of One Project Ukraine)



Please Help Ukraine

Spring/Summer 24 donations urgently needed

*** If you would like to help/donate to the transport costs ***
please email Poynton Rotary Member, Steve: Tatt71@hotmail.com***

Medical

Painkillers
Multivitamins
Antiseptic spray/cream
First aid kits
Burn & wound dressings
All size bandages & tape
Plasters
Emergency blankets
Sterile gauze dressings
Israeli bandages
Rehydration sachets
Imodium
Mouth antiseptic
Water sterilisation tablets

Food

Tea/Coffee (no glass)
Packet food/pasta
Tinned meat/fish/fruit
Pot noodle
Dried fruit/nuts
Packet soup
Sugar
Salt & pepper
Biscuits
Chocolates/sweets
Baby milk
Protein bars
Dried pet food

General

Men's t-shirts/sweatshirts
Men's sweatpants
Men's trainers/boots
Toiletries
Sleeping bags
Blankets
Water purification tablets
Candles/Torches & batteries
Solar power banks
Water bottles/thermos flasks
Nappies & baby items
Wet wipes
Sun Tan Lotion
Insect Repellent
Packet Seeds

Drop Off Points:

- Vernon Primary School
- Lostock Hall Primary School
- Poynton Community Centre (please **ONLY** leave in the bright green bin down the side of the building – School Street side by Poynton Pottery)
- Poynton Methodist Church (Friday 9.30am–1pm and Sundays 11.30am)

Are you worried about how they are feeling?

DECREASING DEPRESSION

FREE TALK



May 14th 7-8pm

Jane Keyworth, Lead Facilitator at FACE
gives a one hour online talk explaining
what we can do to reduce the symptoms of depression.

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk go to PARENT page



May 2024 Newsletter



CPD training for anyone who works with children or teenagers.
National Standards CPD accredited sessions
All sessions booked & delivered online via facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Thursday
2 May
19:00 - 21:00
£24



Anxiety Explained

Anxiety, especially in our young is rising. This session explains what it is, why it happens and how you can help.

Monday
13 May
19:00 - 21:00
£24



Autism: Improving Communication

Small changes can lead to huge improvements with your ability to communicate with someone on the spectrum.

Monday
20 May
19:00 - 21:00
£24



Understanding the Teenage Brain

Improve your understanding and communication with your teen. Why they think, feel and behave very differently from adults.

Tuesday
21 May
19:00 - 21:00
£24



Raising Self-Esteem

How to support healthy self-esteem in your children and yourself. Easy to apply interventions shared.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk



Parent Workshop Helping Children Manage Worries and Anxiety

What:

FREE 7 week programme for parents/carers of children aged 5+. This programme is evidence based and explores various parenting techniques which can be applied to support an anxious child.

When:

Wednesday's at 10:30am - 12pm
5th June
12th June
19th June
26th June
3rd July
10th July
17th July
All 7 sessions must be attended consecutively to complete the course and benefit from the learning techniques.

Where:

At Fellowship House, Park Road,
Congleton, CW12 1DP

Book now

Email:
FamiliesandCommunitiesTeam@visyon.org.uk
Call: 01260 290000



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Parent Workshop Impact of the Academic World

What:
This workshop explores the pressures children can face at school, why school refusal can occur and special educational needs. We'll offer ways to support your child with their anxiety.

When:
Wednesday 15th May 2024
10.30am - 12.00pm

Where:
At Fellowship House, Park Road,
Congleton, CW12 1DP

Book now
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Parent Workshop Supporting your Child with Additional Needs

What:
A 90 minute workshop helping you to identify your child's needs, understand their rights and how to access support

When:
Wednesday 22nd May 2024
10.30am - 12.00pm

Where:
At Fellowship House, Park Road,
Congleton, CW12 1DP

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Raising Self-Esteem

Jane Keyworth gives a two-hour online talk

Tuesday 21st May 7-9pm

Book Online £24 facefamilyadvice.co.uk



**Are you aware of teenage brain development
and how it impacts on behaviour?**



Understanding the Teenage Brain

"Every parent and teacher should hear this..."

Mr Mead, Headteacher at Lytchett Minster School, Dorset



Two-hour online talk
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