

Year 8 Parents Information Evening

Tuesday 13th October 2026



Agenda for the Evening

- Information Evening – Mr Stewart
- Assessment and Reporting cycle
- Enrichment
- Ambition and Aspiration



GCSE Results in the summer!



**What do you believe
your child is capable of?**



GOOD GCSE RESULTS CREATE MORE CHOICES.



They give a strong platform
and lead to **freedom and choice**.

YOUR NEXT STEPS CAN LOOK MANY WAYS



SIXTH FORM SUBJECTS

- ✓ Study subjects you enjoy
- ✓ Build knowledge and skills
- ✓ Keep your options open
- ✓ Pathway to university and many careers



APPRENTICESHIPS

- ✓ Earn while you learn
- ✓ Gain real-world experience
- ✓ Build skills for your chosen career
- ✓ A direct route into employment



COMPETITIVE COURSES

- ✓ High entry standards
- ✓ Specialist and in-demand courses
- ✓ Leads to exciting opportunities
- ✓ Stand out and achieve your goals



GOOD GCSE
RESULTS



MORE
OPTIONS



BETTER
OPPORTUNITIES



GREATER
CONFIDENCE



A STRONG PLATFORM

Good results open
more doors.



MORE OPTIONS

Choose the path
that's right for you.



GREATER FREEDOM

Make choices that shape
your future on your terms.



YOUR FUTURE. YOUR CHOICE.

With the right results,
you're in control.

Our school vision

“To drive the academic and character development of learners, so that they may shape wider society and the communities they inhabit”

- *“Character shapes society.”* abbr



The following six value statements characterise our behaviours. By being a member of the Unsworth Academy community, children and adults commit to these sacrosanct and authentic beliefs:

Be excellent.

All members of our school community aspire to excellence in all that they do.

Be organised.

All members of our school community believe that a foundation of personal organisation is key.

Be resilient.

All members of our school community strive to be resilient when faced with adversity.

Be kind.

All members of our school community show empathy and concern for others.

Be inclusive.

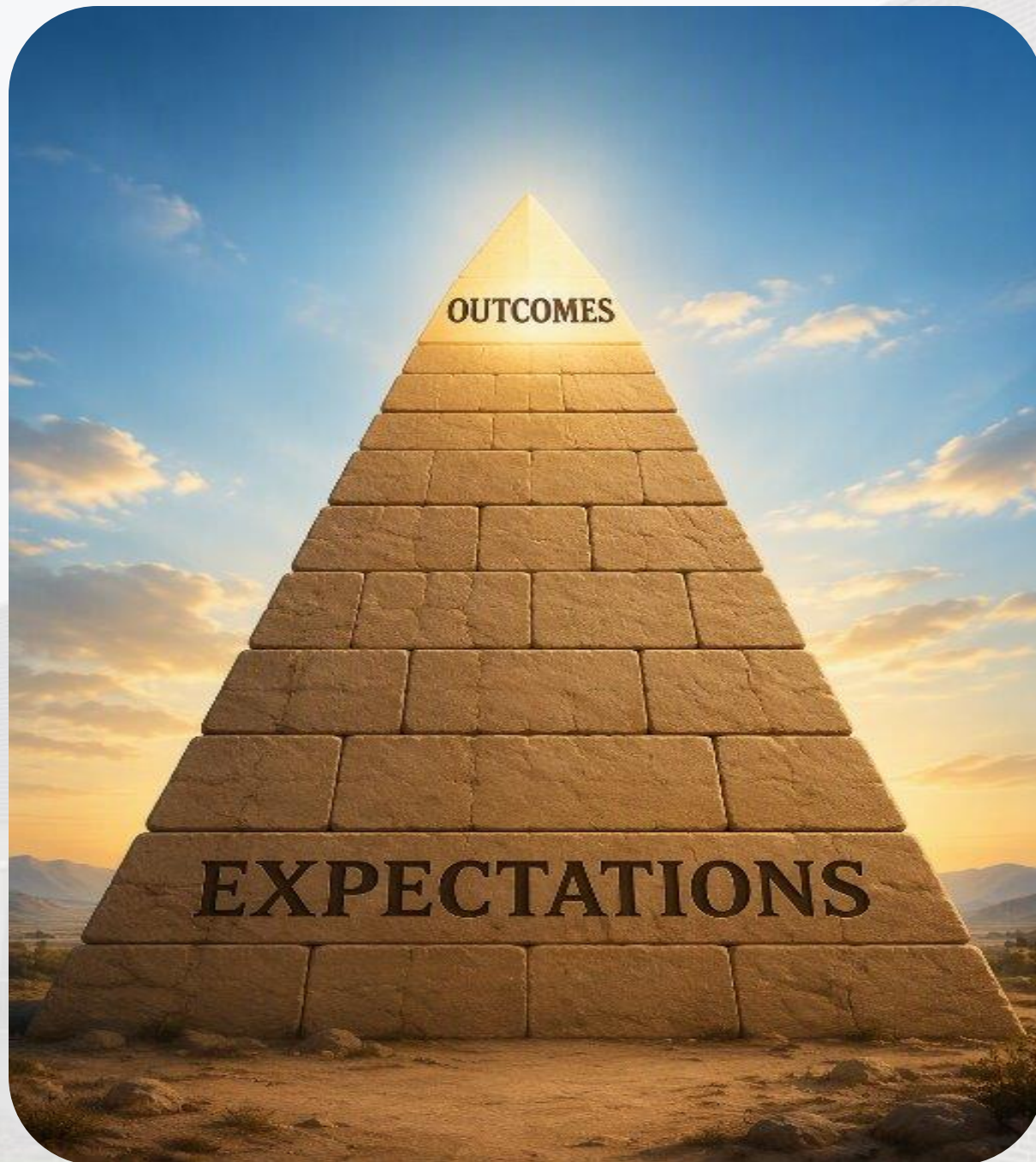
All members of our school community value diversity and actively embrace difference.

Be moral.

All members of our school community consider the principles of right and wrong behaviour.

Our School Values





- What schools expect
- What parents expect
- What students expect



- Attend
- Behave
- Work Hard



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Year 8 Assessment and Reporting Cycle 2026/27

Event/Exams/Reports/Parent's Evenings	Date
Careers Drop Down Morning (Periods 1 & 2)	Thursday 22nd October
Autumn Progress Report	Week commencing Monday 30 th November
Year 8 Parents' Evening	Thursday 26th November (4pm-7pm)
Christmas Holidays	
Comment Report	Monday 8th February
Careers Drop Down Morning	Friday 19th March
Spring Progress Report	Week commencing 30th March
Easter Holidays	
Internal Exams begin	Monday 21 st June
Internal Exams end	Wednesday 30 th June
Summer Progress Report	Week commencing 12 th July



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Autumn Progress Update

EXAMPLE

Name: Joe Bloggs

Form: 8U

Year 9 – GCSE Foundation Building Block & Skills

Effort

1 – Outstanding

2 – Good

3 - Satisfactory

4 – Cause for Concern

Reading Age

Assessment	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Chronological Age			
Reading Age			

Pupils will be tested 3 times a year to check their reading age. Their reading age will be stated in years and months (13.5), a proficient reading age to access examination papers is 15. A pupil's reading age should be in line with their chronological (actual) age.

English

Assessment	Mark	Class Average	Effort
1. Creative Writing- Setting and Character (100)	58	68	2
2. Sherlock Holmes (100)			
3. The White Rose + The Swastika-Character Evaluation (100)			
4. Animal Farm Performance (P,M,D)			
5. End of Year Exam (100)			

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Mathematics

Assessment	Higher Tier Mark	Foundation Tier Mark	Class Average	Effort
1. Ratio & Number (80)	68		52	1
2. Data & Algebra(120)				
3. End of Year Assessment (50)				

Science

Assessment	Higher Tier Mark	Foundation Tier Mark	Class Average	Effort
1. Plants, Chemical Changes and Magnetism (100)	72		55	1
2. Variation, Motion and Obtaining Useful Materials (100)				
3. Health, Waives and Sustainability (100)				
4. End of Year Exam (100)				

Geography

Assessment	Mark	Class Average	Effort
1. Russia (50)	12	36	3
2. Development (50)			
3. Weather and Climate (50)			
4. End of Year Exam (50)			

The rest of the Year 8 Curriculum is reported in a similar way;

- History
- Spanish
- Technology
- Art
- Performing Arts
- Religious Education
- Physical Education

Arbor Attendance, Punctuality, Achievement and Behaviour

Percentage Attendance	Total Possible Sessions	Authorised Missed Sessions	Unauthorised Missed Sessions	Late Sessions	Achievement Points	Most Valued Pupil	Behaviour Points
98	86	2	0	0	72	4	1

Outstanding	Good	Below Standard
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Your minimum attendance target is 96%

% Attendance for a year	Days Absent	Hours of lessons missed
98%	3.5	17.5
95%	9	45
90%	19	95

Please note that 2 sessions = 1 full school day

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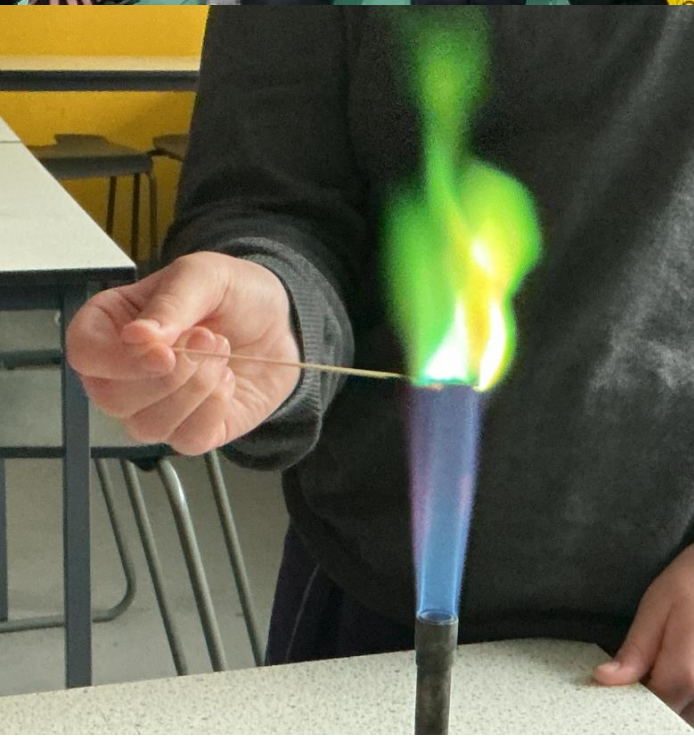
Enrichment and Cultural Capital

- A range of trips and visits
- A vast array of clubs and activities every lunch time and after school
- Cultural Experiences
- Careers and aspirational events
- Leadership opportunities
- Community events
- Fundraisers
- Guest speakers
- School events



Enrichment @ Unsworth







Unsworth Enrichment Offer

Monday

Year 8	Homework Club		08.15am - 08.40am	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Learning Hub Film Club (See Miss Atkinson for pass)		13.25pm - 14.05pm	F14	Learning Hub Staff
	The Calm Zone		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Learning Hub Games & Craft club		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Nurture Hub		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Pride Club	TEASER	13.25pm - 14.05pm	F8	Ms Jackson/Mr Loftus
	Book & Chill Club	TEASER	13.25pm - 14.05pm	LRC	Miss Ince
	Maths Homework Club	TEASER	13.25pm - 14.05pm	S9	Miss Devaney
	Girls Prayers	TEASER	13.25pm - 14.05pm	F5	Miss White
	Basketball		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Basketball Yard	PE Department
	Badminton		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Gym	PE Department
	Girls Cricket		15.05pm - 16.05pm	Sports Hall	PE Department



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	Learning Hub Film Club (See Miss Atkinson for pass)		13.25pm - 14.05pm	F14	Learning Hub Staff
	Learning Hub Games & Craft club		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Library Club (See Mrs Cohen for Library pass)		13.25pm - 14.05pm	LRC	Mrs Cohen
	The Calm Zone		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Textiles Club (Week A)	TEXTILE	13.25pm - 14.05pm	G2	Mrs Lawlor
	Basketball		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Basketball Yard	PE Department
	School musical singing rehearsals	MUSICAL	13.25pm - 14.05pm	G4	Miss McAndrew
	Nurture Hub		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Cricket		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Sports Hall	PE Department
	Badminton		13.25pm - 14.05pm	gym	PE Department
	Football (Astroturf)		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Astroturf	PE Department
	Poetry Club	POETRY	13.25pm - 14.05pm	F12	Mr Power
	Girls Prayers	RELIGION	13.25pm - 14.05pm	F5	Miss White
	Band practice		15.05pm - 16.15pm	G4	Miss McAndrew
	Girls Football		15.05pm - 16.05pm	Sports Hall	PE Department
	Netball Matches (see Miss Hargreaves for match list)		15.05pm - 16.15pm	Mugga	Miss Hargreaves
	Boys Cricket		15.05pm - 16.05pm	Sports Hall	PE Department
	Maths Homework support drop in		15.05pm - 16.15pm	S4	Mrs Bowker



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	Yr 7&8 Choir		08.15am - 8.40am	G4	Miss McAndrew
	Learning Hub Film Club (See Miss Atkinson for pass)		13.25pm - 14.05pm	F14	Learning Hub Staff
	Nurture Hub		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Learning Hub Games & Craft club		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Library Club (See Mrs Cohen for Library pass)		13.25pm - 14.05pm	LRC	Mrs Cohen
	Creative Writing club	13.25	13.25pm - 14.05pm	F11	Mr Loftus / Mr French
	Minecraft Club	13.25	13.25pm - 14.05pm	G10	Mr Wright
	Football (Astroturf)		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Astroturf	PE Department
	Girls Prayers	13.25	13.25pm - 14.05pm	F5	Miss White
	Chess Club	13.25	13.25pm - 14.05pm	S8	Miss Clarke
	Lenguatex Club	13.25	13.25pm - 14.05pm	NB4	Mr Mooney-Monoz
	Basketball		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Basketball Yard	PE Department
	Cricket		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Sports Hall	PE Department
	Badminton		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Gym	PE Department
	Learning Hub Pokemon club		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Retro Gaming club (Week A)		15.05pm - 16.05pm	F3	Miss Lodge
	School Musical Rehearsals		15.05pm - 16.05pm	LT	Miss McAndrew & Miss Gallagher
	Basketball		15.05pm - 16.05pm	Sports Hall	PE Department
	Girls Football		15.05pm - 16.05pm	Sports Hall	PE Department

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Thursday

Year 8	Homework Club		08.15am - 08.40am	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Basketball		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Basketball Yard	PE Department
	Cricket		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Sports Hall	PE Department
	The Calm Zone		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Nurture Hub		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Badminton		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Gym	PE Department
	James Dyson Foundation Club	Ticket	13.25pm - 14.05pm	S11	Science Department
	Learning Hub Film Club (See Miss Atkinson for pass)		13.25pm - 14.05pm	F14	Learning Hub Staff
	Learning Hub Games & Craft club		13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Scratch club	Ticket	13.25pm - 14.05pm	G9	Mr Zubair
	Girls Prayers	Ticket	13.25pm - 14.05pm	F5	Miss White
	Library Club (See Mrs Cohen for Library pass)		13.25pm - 14.05pm	LRC	Mrs Cohen
	History film club (Week 1)	Ticket	13.25pm - 14.05pm	NB1	Mrs Ross
	Higher Voices Choir	Ticket	13.25pm - 14.05pm	G4	Miss McAndrew
	Japanese Club	Ticket	13.25pm - 14.05pm	G10	Mr Wright
	Turing Tumblers (maths)	Ticket	13.25pm - 14.05pm	S2	Miss Burns
	David Attenborough Appreciation Club (DAAC)	Ticket	13.25pm - 14.05pm	F3	Miss Lodge
	Netball		15.05pm - 16.05pm	Sports Hall	PE Department
	Year 7&8 Football		15.05pm - 16.05pm	Sports Hall	PE Department
	Maths Homework support drop in		15.05pm - 16.15pm	S4	Mrs Bowker

Unsworth Enrichment Offer

Friday

Year 8	Homework Club	08.15am - 8.40am	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Basketball	13.25pm - 14.05pm	Basketball Yard	PE Department
	The Calm Zone	13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Cricket	13.25pm - 14.05pm	Sports Hall	Mr Shah
	Girls Prayers 	13.25pm - 14.05pm	F5	Miss White
	Learning Hub Games & Craft club	13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Nurture Hub	13.25pm - 14.05pm	Learning Hub	Learning Hub Staff
	Learning Hub Film Club (See Miss Atkinson for pass)	13.25pm - 14.05pm	F14	Learning Hub Staff
	Football	13.25pm - 14.05pm	Astroturf	PE Department
	Art and Design Club 	13.25pm - 14.05pm	G8	Miss Edwards
	Friday Live (Week A) 	13.25pm - 14.05pm	G4	Miss McAndrew
	Library Club (See Mrs Cohen for Library pass)	13.25pm - 14.05pm	LRC	Mrs Cohen

DofE Bronze Award

Year 10



UNSWORTH
ACADEMY

Volunteering

Physical skills

Leadership & Teamwork

Personal development

Life skills

Problem solving

Navigation

Campcraft

School skill sessions

'A fantastic opportunity and a great
experience...highly recommend!'

- Yr 10 Students



VOLUNTEERING	PHYSICAL	SKILLS	EXPEDITION
3 months	3 months	3 months	2 days 1 night
Plus a further 3 months in either the Volunteering, Physical or Skills section.			

Sparx Reader

Sparx Reader491 SRPBen Sandiford

HomeLibraryLeagueVocabGold Reader

There is no current task set

Latest book



Grow
Luke Palmer

Start Reading

Choose a different book

Unlock Gold Reader

Reach 5 stars to unlock a 5-week Gold Reader pass!

Go to Gold Reader

League table

Current position

4th

[View full table](#)

Vocab practice

Last completed

2 days ago

[Practise vocab](#)

Sparx Reader491 SRPBen Sandiford

Start reading here

THREE

There was a service at Westminster Abbey for all the victims' families. Some important people talked about *sacrifices* and how they *won't be forgotten*. We sat right at the front, just behind the important people who kept getting up to make speeches.

All the way through I couldn't stop thinking about Greek theatre. Mrs Dinet, our drama teacher, had told us that if one of the characters in ancient Greek theatre died, they wouldn't perform it on stage. The death would take place off stage and someone would describe it to the audience. Then, to prove that it was true, they'd part some curtains at the back of the stage, or bring in some kind of trolley on wheels, and reveal the body. Sometimes they'd use animal blood or intestines to make the death look realistic. Especially if it was a violent one.

Sparx Reader491 SRPBen Sandiford

Q1. Josh attended the service in Westminster Abbey and found that it made him think back to his drama lessons. What was it that the service reminded him of?

Not in story

Brecht and breaking the fourth-wall

A theatre production with the big velvet curtain

A Shakespearian play with all the archaic language

An end-of-term production with people forgetting their lines

Greek theatre and how they reported deaths

Law
Education
Trust

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- Ambition and Aspiration – Mrs Mead



Year 8 – Head of Progress

Mrs Mead

Year 8 – Pastoral Leader

Miss Woods



Year 8 Form Mentors

8U – Mr Duck

8N – Mr Fletcher

8S – Mrs Lawlor

8W – Miss Lei

8O – Miss Hargreaves

8R – Miss Gallagher

8T – Mrs Sowerby

8H – Mr Peacock



Non-Negotiables

- 96% Attendance is our minimum
- Punctuality to school and lessons (Call in if emergency)
- Correct Uniform (Skirts, Shoes, Make up)
- Equipment and School Bag (Calculators)
- Attitude to learning and engagement in lessons
- Social media use (Age restrictions)
- Phone pouches ready each day to enter school.



Academic Progress

- Track progress across Year 8
- Underperformers identified and support put in place
- Some will be placed on report (if behaviour is below standard)
- Targets for improvement agreed
- Parent/Carer informed to work in partnership
- Regular feedback and review



Careers and Aspirations

B Safe Day

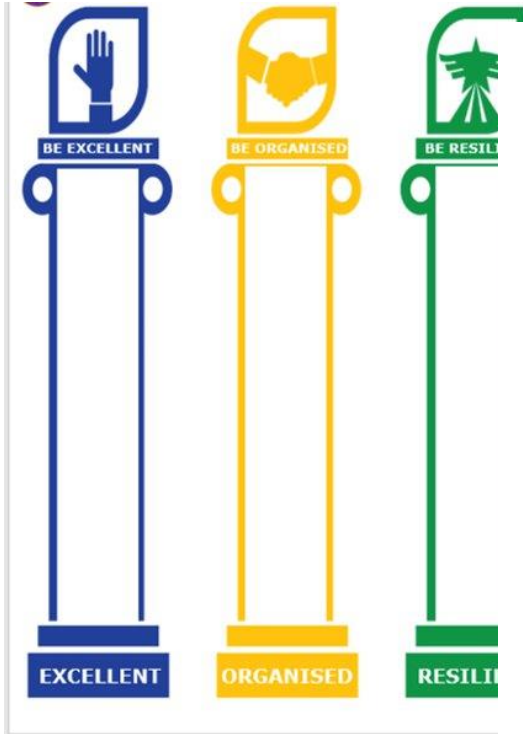
Today learners took part in workshops that considered travel, behaviours in the community and relationships.



B Safe

**Helping to keep
children and young
people safe.**





YOU WERE CAUGHT

Unsworth Academy

Being Organised

NAME _____

vents and
Does it mean to
be Kind'

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ademy?

this: Is there anything you
his year which was kind? Is
ng to share an example?

hing you have done this
year which wasn't kind? Is there a way
which you can put this right? Is there
anyone willing to share an example?



SEND Support

- If at any point extra support, which is over and above the quality first teaching in the classroom is needed, this will be identified by class teachers.
- The SEND team will work closely with class teachers to ensure any barriers to learning are removed, they may offer extra support at this stage as well.
- **Any concerns regarding learning support should be directed to Mrs Atkinson – SENCO**





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