

The Midland Academy Trust Virtual Work Experience KS2

Welcome to the Midland Academy Trust.

The Midland Academy Trust is a group of schools that work together to make learning the best it can be for every pupil. Our trust includes teachers, support staff, leaders and governors. We all share one big goal: to help children feel safe, supported and excited about learning.

Here are some of the things our trust does:

- • Helps schools improve teaching and learning
- • Supports pupils with confidence and friendships
- • Helps organise events and clubs
- • Make sure all students get the same chances to succeed

During your time with us, you'll complete three tasks that help you understand what it means to make a school a happy, caring and successful place.

We hope you enjoy your work experience.
The Midland Academy Trust.



Starter Task – What makes a great school?

Your goal:

Think about what helps a school be welcoming and successful.

What to do:

1. Write down five things that make a school a good place to learn.
2. For each one, explain why it is important for pupils.
3. Write a sentence explaining how adults in a school help children feel supported.

Suggested search prompts:

- “What makes a good school for children?”
- • ‘What is important in a school?’
- • ‘School values explained for kids’



Starter Task – What makes a great school?

Helpful vocabulary

Community – people working and learning together

Support – helping someone when they need it

Learning – gaining new skills and knowledge

Wellbeing – feeling happy and healthy

Sentence starters

A great school has...

This is important because...

Adults help children by...

For pupils this is important because...

Example

A great school gives pupils a safe, supportive place to grow, make friends, and discover what they enjoy.

Main Task – Be a school improvement champion.

Your goal:

Think like someone who helps make schools better.

What to do:

1. Imagine you work for the Midland Academy Trust as a School Improvement Champion.
2. Choose one area you want to improve in a school eg. reading corners in classrooms.
3. Write or draw your improvement idea.
4. Explain:
 - What your idea is
 - Why it helps pupils
 - What resources you might need
 - How you would check if it worked

Suggested search prompts:

- 'How to improve a school environment'
- 'Ideas to make a school better'
- 'Wellbeing spaces in school'



Main Task – Be a school improvement champion.

Helpful vocabulary

Improvement – making something better

Resources – things you need to complete a task

Impact – the difference your idea makes

Environment – the space where people work and learn

Sentence starters

My improvement idea is...

It helps pupils by...

I will need...

I know it worked when...

Example

My improvement idea is a calm reading corner with cushions and books. It helps pupils relax and enjoy reading. I will need comfy chairs and posters. I will know it worked when more children choose to read there.

Extension Task – Design a values poster.

Your goal:

Create a poster that shows what the Midland Academy Trust stands for.

What to do:

1. Think about values that schools in a trust share, such as respect, kindness, teamwork and honesty.

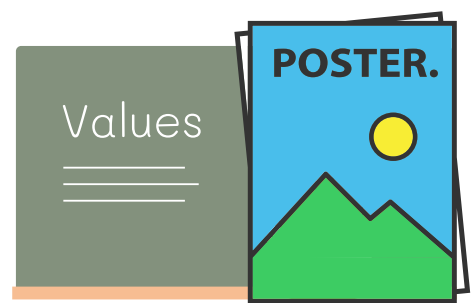
2. Choose three values you think are most important.

3. Design a colourful poster showing:

- • Your chosen values
- • A short sentence explaining each one
- • Pictures to bring your ideas to life

Suggested search prompts:

- • 'school values for children'
- • 'school posters'



Extension Task – Design a values poster.

Helpful vocabulary

Value – something important that guides how we act

Respect – treating others with care

Community – people working together

Responsibility – taking care of your actions

Sentence starters

My poster values are...

This value is important because...

My poster shows this by....

The value of ...[xyz]... is important because...

Example

The value of respect is important in a school because it helps everyone feel safe, listened to, and valued.