KHS Well-Being – The 6 Strands



Be Connected

Be Energised

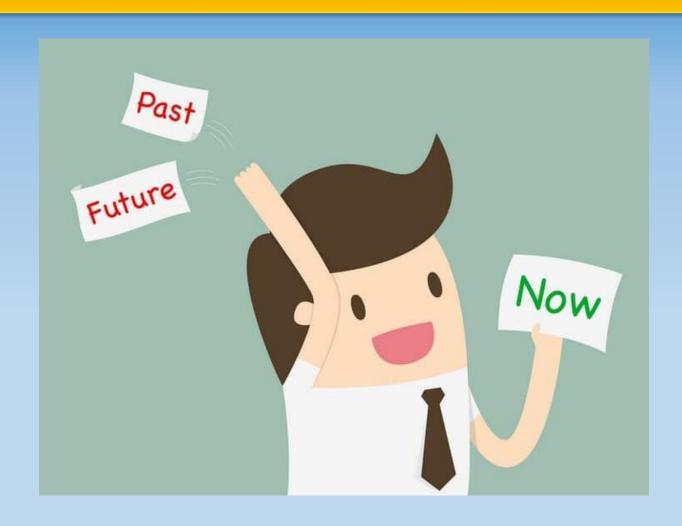
Be Positive

Be Here

Be Open

Be Generous

BE HERE



BE HERE/LIVING IN THE MOMENT/BEING PRESENT

Means letting go of the past and not waiting for the future.

It means living your life consciously, aware that each moment you breathe is a gift.

-Oprah Winfrey

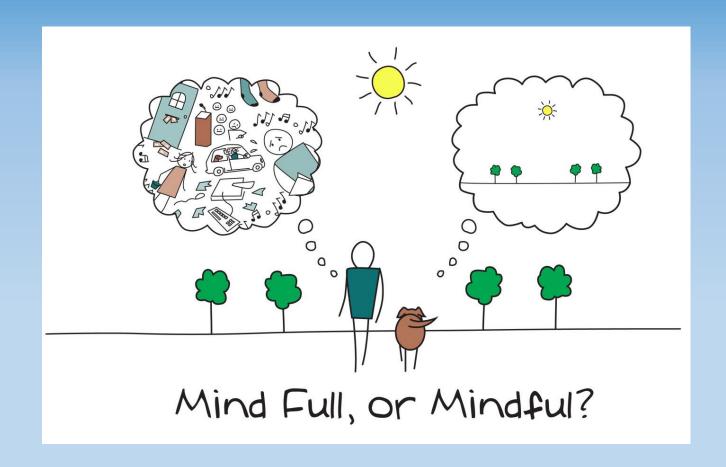
"The secret of health for both mind and body is not to mourn for the past, nor to worry about the future, but to live the present moment wisely and earnestly."

-Buddha

WHAT IS MINDFULNESS?

Mindfulness means paying attention in a particular way: on purpose, in the present moment and non-judgementally.

-Jon Kabat- Zinn



BENEFITS OF MINDFULNESS



WHAT IS A FLOW STATE?

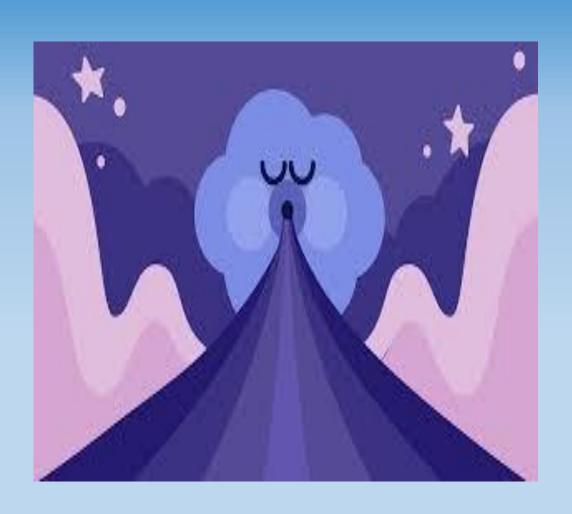


MINDFULNESS MEDITATION

Meditation doesn't just take practice, it *is* practice. You have to get used to gently letting go of the thoughts and feelings that occur in the mind. But, just like riding a bike, the more you do it, the easier it feels.



WHAT IS MINDFUL BREATHING?



4-7-8 Breathing Technique

Find somewhere comfortable to sit. If you can, close your eyes.

Breathe in through your nose to the count of **four**.

Hold the **breath** to the count of seven. Exhale through your mouth to the count of eight.

Mini Meditation- Breathe https://youtu.be/cEqZthCaMpo

Grounding Exercise

For use during a panic attack,
when you need to stay calm,
or anytime you feel "disconnected" from your body.

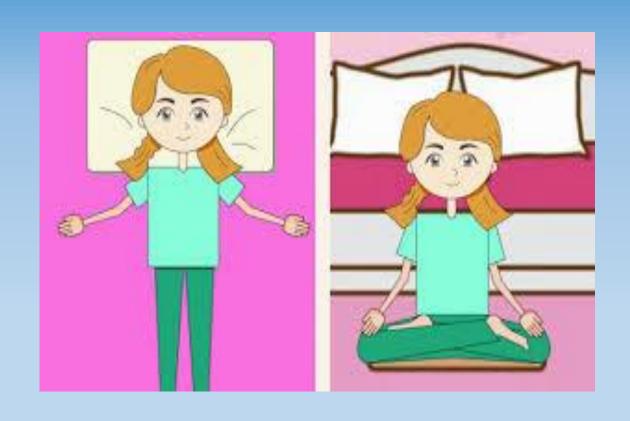
Look around you. Identify + name:

- 5 things you see
- 4 things you feel
- 3 things you hear
- 2 things you smell
- 1 thing you taste

BODY SCAN MEDITATION

What is the purpose of a body scan?

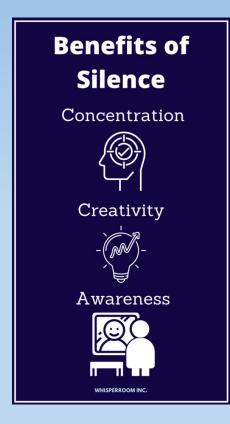
The body scan is one of the most effective ways to begin a mindfulness meditation practice. The purpose is to tune in to your body—to reconnect to your physical self—and notice any sensations you're feeling without judgement.

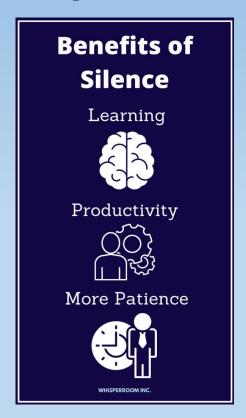


https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X462QPGZQt4

SILENCE...

Silence is good for overall physical health and well-being

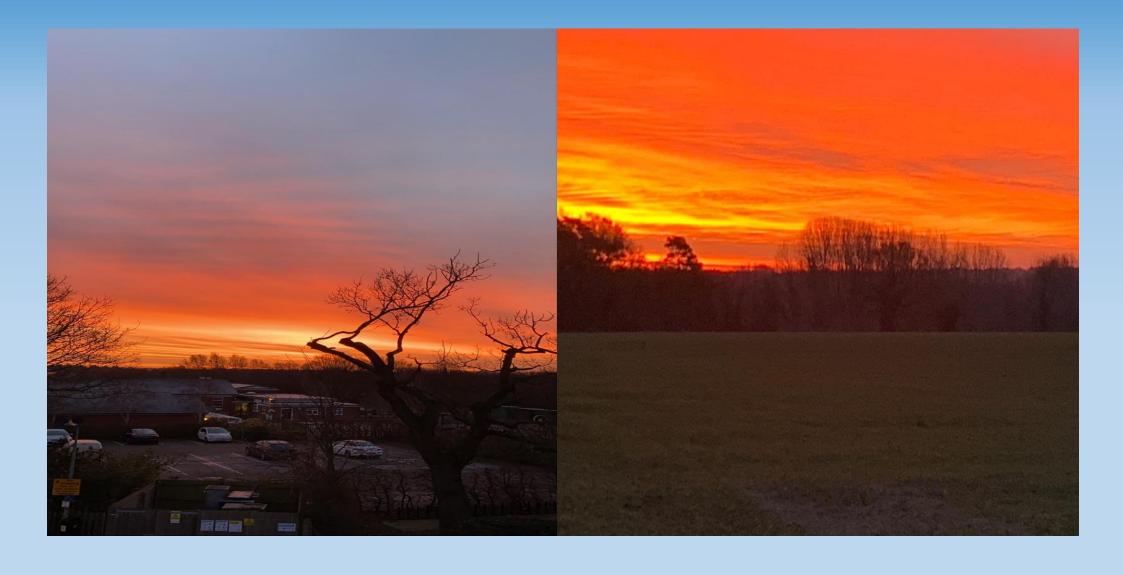




A period of silence each day allows the chance to relax and reduce stress levels.



A MINDFUL MOMENT.....



PRACTICAL IDEAS TO BE HERE

Concentrate on your breathing, focus on breathing in and out.

Some people find that physically holding something can help them be in the present.

A box of items that remind you of good/happy https://www.annafreud.org/on-my-mind/self-care/hope-box/

When did you last notice the world around you

Meditation can really help, but it takes practice.

Doing practical things such as going for a walk/run, playing and instrument, painting, drawing, colouring, cooking, reading.

Practice taking time out and sitting in silence https://www.annafreud.org/on-my-mind/self-care/silence/

Establish good routines-. https://www.annafreud.org/on-my-mind/self-care/organise-your-day/ What techniques do you think you might try?

Can you think of times when some of these techniques may be beneficial?

Time to reflect

What barriers do you think you may encounter when practicing these techniques

Have you ever practiced any of these techniques how did you feel afterwards?

Can you set yourself a challenge and find other ways to help you be more in the present.

Useful links are resources

- https://www.themix.org.uk/get-support
- https://www.childline.org.uk/toolbox/calm-zone
- https://www.kooth.com/
- https://search3.openobjects.com/mediamanager/suffolk/enterprise/files/2020-04 mental health resources v8.pdf
- https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help/looking-after-yourself/take-time-out/
- https://www.annafreud.org/on-my-mind/self-care/apps-delivering-self-help-strategies
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