

Mental Health Resources List

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Resource for staff	Produced by	E-mail address	Notes
Children's Mental Health Week – 3rd – 9th February			
Children's Mental Health Week is from 3 rd – 9 th February. The theme this year is Know Yourself, Grow Yourself	Anna Freud Mentally Healthy Schools	Primary: https://www.mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/resources/talking-mental-health-animation-teacher-toolkit/ Secondary: https://www.mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/resources/we-all-have-mental-health-animation-teacher-toolkit/	Talking Mental Health: animation & teacher toolkits for Primary and Secondary pupils
Children's Mental Health Week	National Literacy Trust	https://literacytrust.org.uk/resources/childrens-mental-health-week/#:~:text=Children's%20Mental%20Health%20Week%20will,theme%20of%20My%20Voice%20Matters.	NLT have partnered with Penguin Random House UK and Charlie Mackesy to create KS1/P2-3 and KS2/P4-P7 cross-curricular literacy and PSHE resources to help you mark Children's Mental Health Week.
Children's Mental Health Week	Place 2 Be	https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/	This year we're exploring our theme Know Yourself, Grow Yourself in partnership with Here4You, supported by The Walt

			Disney Company and the Inside Out 2 characters.
Children's Mental Health Week	Twinkl	https://www.twinkl.co.uk/event/childrens-mental-health-week-2024	To highlight this important week, use our Children's Mental Health Week resources to initiate open discussions with your pupils and encourage them to express themselves in creative and inspiring ways.
Children's Mental Health Week	School of Happiness	https://schoolofkindness.org/childrens-mental-health-week-2024	Kindness is a simple way to help EVERYONE
Children's Mental Health Week	BBC	KS2: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z64s8p3#zrbnkvhv All age: https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/articles/zk37bdm#zsby9ty	Resources from BBC
Children's Mental Health Week	Literacy Hive	https://www.literacyhive.org/childrens-mental-health-week/	Further resources to use during the week
Resources for Senior Mental Health Leads			
The UK body for Mental Health and Wellbeing Leads	National Network of Mental Health Leads	https://mentalhealthlead.com/	We believe that mental health leads need local insight and support and therefore also accredit local networks as part of our work.

Targeted Support Tool-Kit for SMHL	Anna Freud	https://mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/targeted-support/targeted-support-tool/	A tool for providing targeted support options for your setting, created in partnership with and funded by the Department for Education.
Mental health lead resource hub	Anna Freud	https://www.mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/whole-school-or-college-resources/	This resource hub has been created in partnership with and funded by the Department for Education, with new resources added regularly
Developing your school or college targeted mental wellbeing support Guide Book	Anna Freud	https://mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/media/ivtirzo0/guide-to-targeted-support.pdf	A guide to help schools and colleges to review, refresh and embed effective targeted support for mental wellbeing.
Practical resources for Senior Mental Health Leads	WORTH-IT	https://www.worthit.org.uk/blog/senior-mental-health-lead-support	
General Resources for Schools			
Classroom Wellbeing Toolkit	Anna Freud	https://www.annafreud.org/schools-and-colleges/resources/classroom-wellbeing-toolkit/	Simple ways to support secondary students' mental health
Resources to support mental health in schools	Anna Freud	https://www.annafreud.org/schools-and-colleges/resources/	A plethora of different resources for all ages

Mental health resources for schools	Place 2 Be	https://www.place2be.org.uk/our-services/services-for-schools/mental-health-resources-for-schools/	From assembly and class activity ideas to videos and tip sheets, our mental health resources for schools can make a real difference to the emotional wellbeing of pupils.
Mental health resources	NSPCC	https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/research-resources/mental-health-resources	A range of resources to help you learn more about mental health, and support children, young people and their families.
Mental health resources for schools and parents	Time to Change	https://www.time-to-change.org.uk/get-involved/get-involved-schools/school-resources	A selection of straightforward, tried-and-tested resources and free materials to get young people in your school talking
Films for teachers and professionals	Nip in the Bud	https://nipinthebud.org/films-for-teachers-professionals/	A series of films and accompanying fact sheets prepared to help teachers and school staff with children who may have mental health needs
Resource Library	Mentally Healthy Schools	https://mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/resources/	Includes new resources for Anti-Bullying week – 14 th – 18 th November
Mental health resources and advice	Young Minds	https://www.youngminds.org.uk/professional/resources/	A range of information, advice as well as resources including things like wellbeing activities, toolkits

			and webinars to help you support young people
Mental health resources for children, students, parents, carers and school/college staff	DfE Education Hub	https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2021/09/03/mental-health-resources-for-children-parents-carers-and-school-staff/	This blog post outlines some of the resources recommended by the DfE.
Mental health and wellbeing resources for teachers and teaching staff	DfE	https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1110260/Mental_health_resources_for_teachers_and_teaching_staff.pdf	A comprehensive list of support resources available to schools
Mental health resources for schools, parents, caregivers and young people	Mental Health Foundation	https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/our-work/programmes/families-children-and-young-people/resources	Wide range of resources for schools, parents and young people
Resources for Schools	Mentally Well Schools	https://mentallywellschools.co.uk/free-resources/	Mentally Well Schools began in 2019 as a collaborative initiative by a SENDCo with expertise in mental health and a Psychotherapist specialising in adolescent and adult mental health
Resources for Schools	e-wellbeing – powered by YMCA	https://e-wellbeing.co.uk/schools	e-wellbeing has a range of practical tools, advice and guidance to help teachers, therapists and parents/carers support the mental health and wellbeing of young people

School Wellbeing	Leeds City Council	https://www.schoolwellbeing.co.uk/mental-health-wellbeing/pages/mental-health-and-wellbeing-web-links	Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Web Links
Every Mind Matters	Public Health England	https://campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools/topics/mental-wellbeing/overview	Helping you teach PSHE, RHE and RSHE to Upper KS2, KS3 and KS4 students, with flexible, ready-to-use content co-created with teachers, and young people.
Secondary Schools Resource Pack	CAMHS – Oxford Health	https://www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/camhs/banes/secondary-school-resource-pack/	This pack contains a range of activities suitable for students in secondary school to promote and support positive mental health and reduce stigma
Resources for PSHE, Citizenship, Relationships and Health Education	Twinkl Life	https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/twinkl-life	Make your school's mental health your priority with our Twinkl Life collection, featuring everything you need to focus for your school's mental health and wellbeing.
Mental Health & Wellbeing Resources	Twinkl	https://www.twinkl.co.uk/search?q=Mental+Health+and+Wellbeing&c=244&r=parent	Comprehensive selection of mental health and wellbeing resources
Walk in my Shoes	St Patrick's Mental Health Services	https://www.walkinmyshoes.ie/	Support resources for primary and secondary pupils
Mental Health Resources	PSHE Association	https://pshe-association.org.uk/topics/mental-health	Support your pupils to stay healthy and safe while equipping them to help others

Video Collection on You Tube	Dr Tina Rae	https://www.youtube.com/c/DrTinaRae/videos	A plethora of videos of all different aspects of mental health and wellbeing. Excellent for staff training
Podcasts	The Associations of Child and Adolescent Mental Health	https://www.acamh.org/category/podcasts/	A comprehensive selection of Podcasts for staff training
Mental Health Resource Hub	WORTH-IT	https://www.worthit.org.uk/	Worth-it Positive Education is a Community Interest Company supporting schools, settings and organisations to improve children and young people's wellbeing and provide early intervention for mental health.
Resources to support Mental Health & Attendance			
Mental health issues affecting a pupil's attendance: guidance for schools	DfE	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/mental-health-issues-affecting-a-pupils-attendance-guidance-for-schools	This guidance offers a summary of responsibilities where a mental health issue is affecting attendance and examples of effective practice.
Experiencing School attendance problems and barriers?	Not Fine in School	https://notfineinschool.co.uk/home	Not Fine in School was created as a resource for the growing numbers of families with children experiencing school attendance barriers.
Back into School – Resources for schools	Children's Commissioner	https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/back-into-school/resources-for-schools/	

Addressing Emotionally Based School Avoidance	Anna Freud Centre	https://www.annafreud.org/schools-and-colleges/resources/addressing-emotionally-based-school-avoidance/	This resource looks at the topic of emotionally-based school avoidance (EBSA) and shares ideas to help education staff address the issue.
Emotionally Based School Avoidance – Information, Guidance and Resources	Somerset Support Services for Education	https://www.supportservicesforeducation.co.uk/Page/20029	This website contains a range of information for schools, parents and children and young people in relation to EBSA, including what it is, why it might be happening and also how to help.
Addressing emotionally-based school avoidance	Mentally Healthy Schools	https://mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/resources/addressing-emotionally-based-school-avoidance/	This resource looks at the topic of emotionally-based school avoidance (EBSA) and shares ideas to help education staff address the issue.
Understanding Emotionally Based School Avoidance Webinar	Anna Freud Centre	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NYq08Zgdk7A	A webinar that explores the topic of emotionally-based school avoidance and how schools, parents and professionals can best support young people who are affected.
Emotionally Based School Avoidance Webinar	Association of child and adolescent mental health	https://www.acamh.org/freeview/emotionally-based-school-avoidance-recording/	
Reduce school absence with AV1 robots	No Isolation	https://www.noisolation.com/uk	AV1 telepresence robots connect absent students to learning, ensure belonging, and support

			reintegration back to the classroom.
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On My Mind	Anna Freud Centre	https://www.annafreud.org/on-my-mind/	On My Mind aims to empower young people to make informed choices about the mental health support they want, the treatments they receive and the outcomes they desire
CAMHS Resources		https://www.camhs-resources.co.uk/	This site was created for young people, carers and professionals to pool together lots of helpful resources from across the internet that are available to help support your mental health and well-being
Useful contacts for young people	Mind	https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/for-children-and-young-people/useful-contacts/	If you're a young person, this page lists organisations and services that can offer you support and information
Mental health and well-being A-Z	The Children's Society	https://www.childrensociety.org.uk/information/young-people/well-being/resources	Our mental health resources are co-designed by young people and mental health professionals
Understanding mental health – for young people	Mind	https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/for-children-and-young-people/understanding-mental-health/?gclid=CjwKCAjw5P2aBhAlEiwAAAdY7dMn	Information for young people on understanding mental health, and mental health problems

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A comprehensive list of resources and APPs to support young people	stem4	https://stem4.org.uk/	stem4 is a charity that promotes positive mental health in teenagers and those who support them including their families and carers, education professionals, as well as school nurses and GPs through the provision of mental health education, resilience strategies and early intervention.
Who can help? Support services from across the UK	Prince's Trust	https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/help-for-young-people/who-else/housing-health-wellbeing/wellbeing/mental-health	Whether you are a teenager, young person or an adult get the support you need to improve your mental health by checking out this list of useful organisations
Tools and Training (Cost)			
An educational programme and an organisation that puts learning at the heart of emotional health and well-being.	Emotion Works	https://www.emotionworks.org.uk/	
A whole school approach providing all teaching resources and helping teachers to confidently teach a well-being curriculum.	Jigsaw	https://jigsaweducationgroup.com/	A Whole School Approach for ages 3 – 16.

<p>A social emotional learning framework and pathway to regulation</p>	<p>Zones of Regulation</p>	<p>https://www.zonesofregulation.com/index.html</p>	<p>The Zones of Regulation is the original framework and curriculum (Kuypers, 2011) that develops awareness of feelings, energy and alertness levels while exploring a variety of tools and strategies for regulation, prosocial skills, self-care, and overall wellness</p>
<p>Emotion Coaching is based on the principle that nurturing and emotionally supportive relationships provide optimal contexts for the promotion of children's outcomes and resilience</p>	<p>Emotion Coaching UK</p>	<p>https://www.emotioncoachinguk.com/</p>	<p>Emotion Coaching UK develops and provides training and consultancy and can provide introductory training for educational establishments</p>
<p>Supporting wellbeing to improve attendance, behaviour and attainment</p>	<p>The Thrive Approach</p>	<p>https://www.thriveapproach.com/</p>	<p>Thrive training, online assessments, and expert strategies for working with pupils will enable you to improve attendance, behaviour and learning outcomes, and align with Public Health England's eight principles for a whole school and college approach.</p>
<p>ELSa Support is a website which provides downloadable</p>	<p>ELSA Support</p>	<p>https://www.elsa-support.co.uk/</p>	<p>To find out more about ELSA Training visit the ELSA Network</p>

resources, and a range of complementary printed products, that support the teaching of emotional literacy or emotional intelligence by ELSA's			https://www.elsanetwork.org/about/
Drawing and Talking is the number one alternative to CBT and direct talking therapies, that can often be confronting or limiting in the processing of pain or trauma	Drawing and Talking	https://drawingandtalking.com/	The Drawing and Talking courses provide everything needed to begin using this powerful and simple person-centred therapeutic approach, without additional specialist training
Our science-backed programmes help to prepare today's children for tomorrow's world by building resilient, balanced and happy minds at home and school.	MyHappyMind	https://myhappymind.org/programmes/	They offer three distinct programmes: schools, nurseries, and parents.
Mind Mechanics - A sustainable, evidence based mental health education programme, developed through collaboration between specialist teachers, psychologists and counsellors can be delivered at home or in school.	Inclusion Partners - Edge	https://edgeinc.co.uk/mind-mechanics/	The programme was designed by specialist teachers, psychologists and counsellors and teaches a set of sustainable skills and strategies to help children understand what is going on in their bodies and heads and self-manage overwhelming emotions.
Engaging and progressive schemes of work and lesson plans for foundation subjects, created by teachers for teacher	Kapow Primary	https://www.kapowprimary.com/	Modules for RSHE and Wellbeing

Hinton House is a specialist, independent publisher of books and resources for professionals working in education, counselling and social care who support the mental health and emotional wellbeing of children and young people from early years to young adult	Hinton House Publisher	https://www.hintonpublishers.com/	Hinton House books and resources are practical and user-friendly, designed to promote wellbeing, reduce workload and provide beneficial, positive hands-on materials for classroom and therapeutic use.
The Therapeutic Wellbeing Toolbox offers over 180 strategies that can be used to deliver therapeutic support to develop children's wellbeing and self-regulation skills	TTS	https://www.tts-group.co.uk/therapeutic-wellbeing-toolbox/1021619.html	This easy to use toolbox is portable and can be taken from room to room and comes with a collection of fidgets for use within the intervention sessions.
Support for Staff	Produced by	E-mail address	Notes
Support for all staff working in the education sector	Education Support	https://www.educationsupport.org.uk/	The only UK charity dedicated to supporting the mental health and wellbeing of teachers and education staff in schools, colleges and universities
Free, safe and anonymous mental wellbeing support for adults across the UK	Qwell	https://www.qwell.io/	They offer a variety of anonymous support options to meet your needs
Using your postcode, the Hub of Hope will find all support services available in your local area.	Hub of Hope	https://hubofhope.co.uk/	This website will find support that is right for you or for those you are working with

<p>We provide access to quality clinical supervision, delivered by experts to ensure schools, community services & other organisations can provide their staff with a safe space to process any difficult information that they are exposed to.</p>	<p>Innovating Minds Clinical Supervision Hub</p>	<p>https://www.innovatingmindscic.com/clinical-supervision-hub</p>	<p>Clinical supervision is a very important component for staff's mental health and professional development. By having access to frequent clinical supervision, your staff will be able to reflect upon their work and have the opportunity to process information that may be impacting on their emotional and mental health.</p>
<p>Supporting Staff Wellbeing in schools</p>	<p>Anna Freud National Centre</p>	<p>https://www.annafreud.org/schools-and-colleges/resources/supporting-staff-wellbeing-in-schools/</p>	<p>This booklet offers practical guidance about what school staff and senior leaders can do to support their own and their colleagues' wellbeing.</p>