



MagiKats Spring Newsletter 2018

Edinburgh Tuition Centre

Spring Term

This is our first newsletter of the year and we are off to a flying start. The students have been working incredibly hard and we have seen many students moving up groups/levels at school already this year. Many students have also moved up a stage with their maths and English at MagiKats due to their hard work at the centre and also at home with their homework. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have been keeping an eye on their child/children's homework and giving us written feedback each week. This is really helping to accelerate their progress.

Recent Awards

We are delighted to announce that once again, we have received an award from Three Best Rated for "providing consistent high quality" in tuition and for being one of the top 3 tutors within Edinburgh.

Our tutors work tirelessly to ensure that every child achieves their full potential. We are always working on how to make the experience even better for all of our students and parents.



Exams coming up?

If you are in S4/S5/S6 (exam years), then you will have started the revision programme. If you feel that you need a boost on a particular topic (within the Maths or English syllabuses) then let us know asap - so we can help! We are also able to support 11+/entrance exam. Ask if you would like details.

Even if you are not in an exam year - let us know if you hit problems - the MagiKats programme is there to help you with what you need, when you need it.

Remember to tell us well in advance if you have entrance exams, or similar, on the horizon. That way we can prepare you in good time.

Well done to....

Firstly, well done to all the students who sat their N5 and Higher prelims in December 2017/January 2018. 90% of our students achieved an 'A' or a 'B' grade which was great to see. Their hard work really paid off! A special shout out to **Reese, Hira, Mehreen, Qais** and **Ikram** who did exceptionally well.

Congratulations to **Billi** (Blackhall centre) who aced her entrance exam for Mary Erskine's and secured a place at this very competitive school.

And last but not least, **Muhammed Bin Faisal** (Leith Centre) who has made a massive (one of the biggest we've seen so far this year) improvement at school.





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The Realities of Summer – Thinking Ahead!

We are all looking forward to seeing the sun but it is the time of year when some students will soon be facing the challenges of SQA exams and we will all be into the academic “silly season”. Serious matters, exams and the like, will alternate with school trips, sports days etc. before the LONG summer break. Continuity will disappear.

A plea on behalf of all students. The summer is NOT the time to take a break. MagiKats workshops and summer homework are all of the interesting variety—not just number crunching or spelling lists. The work will, nevertheless, save students from the often disastrous fall back that happens between June and September. Moving “up” a year or changing school is a very hard time for all children. Being at the top of their game can help and, of course, we then provide on-going support and continuity with the challenges of new environments, teachers, homework and so on. If you have concerns about the months ahead —please have a word.

Topics for those not working on revision programmes

Stage 4 students

Maths:

Constructing & solving equations
Geometry: angles
Data handling: graphing
Shapes and measures

English:

Persuasive writing
Characterisation
Descriptive writing
High frequency spellings

Stage 3 students

Maths:

Positive and negative numbers
Drawing angles
Squared numbers, divisibility rules,
fractions and decimals
Perimeter and area

English:

Vocabulary extension
Writing comprehension: letters
Spelling & standard English
Synopsis

Stage 2 students

Maths:

Approximation and rounding
Right angles, moving and turning
Division with remainders
Symmetry and reflections

English:

Apostrophes and commas
Handwriting
Root words, prefixes and suffixes
Similes

Stage 1 & Foundation students

Maths:

Ordering numbers
Money
Symmetry
Rounding
Odd and even numbers

English:

Word recognition
Sentence construction
Handwriting
Spelling
Reading fluently



Our Student Referral Scheme

For any new student or students that you refer to us, we will give you £10 CASHBACK*. Please remember to notify us of which student/s you recommended to us.

*the referred student/s must commit to a minimum of 3 months with us. This offer can be retracted without prior notice

