# BENEFITS OF MEDITATION IN THE CLASSROOM

# improve focus and attention

regular meditation supports the pre-frontal cortex - a key player in the brain that affects cognitive control - encouraging pupils to be relaxed yet attentive.

### support behaviour self-regulation

supporting cognitive control gives young

people the ability to support impulse inhibition

- helping them limit the urge to react

aggressively in times of stress

(eg another pupil annoying them!)

# improve attendance

regular meditation and mindful tools helps
to support better sleep and reduce the
effects of long term stress
(eg lockdoown trauma)

### build resilence

developing skills to overcome adversity with the ablity to offer others (and self) compassion when they make mistakes. Helping their confidence to try new things and learn.

## Encourage emotional intelligence

Helping young people to be mindful (and accepting) of all emotional states moving out of their negativity bias. Helping them study/sit exams without being frozen or use avoidance behaviour because of fear.

# Build confidence

The more young people understand themselves, the more they accept who they are and aren't self limiting with thoughts and feelings.

This awareness empowers them with a choice in how they think, feel and respond to everyt situation they face both in and out of school.



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