

Case study

Our Lady's Convent Roman Catholic High School



Key facts

Format: 3x100 minute workshops. Can be delivered over 2-3 separate sessions.

Target group: 11-14 year olds.

Group size: 12-30 young people.

73%
Of teachers thought MyBnk training was more effective than being delivered school staff

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Content

For a young person in England, getting a financial education is a lottery. It is only mandatory for 11-16 year olds in less than half of secondary schools. Citizenship, the sole subject where it is tested, is limited to public finance - tax and government spending. Last year only 1.7% of pupils sat it as a GCSE.



Time pressures, and a lack of teacher confidence and expertise is often cited for these low figures and restrictive curriculum. But, in a single afternoon MyBnk filled the personal finance gap for 140 Year 9 pupils, using experts and mining youth culture to maximise impact in a tight timetable. This is two students' take on that experience.

Crystal, 13

"Usually I find it hard to save, but this time I was given the tools to maintain my pocket money and make it last. In the past I haven't been the best with money so these sessions were perfect for me.

When I was younger I used to spend all my pocket money on things I see now as not important. I truly understand my needs and wants. I found the activities full of interesting information that I could apply to my life. I wasn't sure what to expect at first, but I was very surprised.

It's been a fantastic experience that I won't forget. I learnt so much about handling my money, now and for the future."

Grace, 13

"I've never experienced this type of education before, although I have always had an interest in it.

I was a little angry that I didn't know everyday financial terms! I recognised them, but didn't know what they meant.

I will take all this knowledge away with me, spend less and save more for the things I want."

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