



A transformation

The Transformation of a Year 6 Boy at St Mary's Catholic School,
Newton Aycliffe, near Darlington



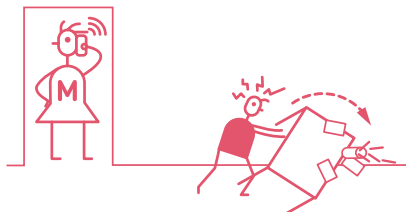
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1 At the Pupil Referral Unit



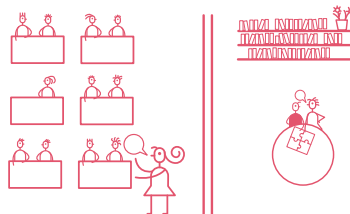
At the PRU, staff got a rapid introduction to this young boy's behavioural problems. She saw him upturn tables in an excited state. It didn't bode well.

2 Day One At School



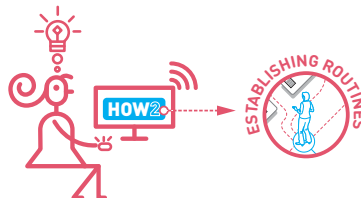
Nothing much changed the first day. Oh, apart from his mother standing in the classroom doorway, changing on her mobile, ignoring he son.

3 Time-Out Strategy



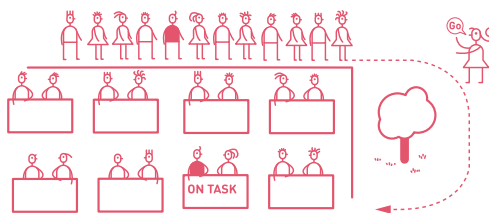
At first, time-out proved, pretty much, the only successful approach. It guaranteed him calm and the start of a new relationship away from the class.

4 Finding HOW2 Solutions



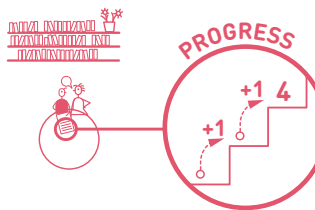
There are 3 collections on behaviour. One is called Behaviour: Establishing Routines. It proved to be just the sort of clear, practical advice needed.

5 Establishing Routines



The first HOW2 adopted was Entry Routines. It provided the calm entry to the class that helped establish the correct attitude for the day.

6 Success At SATs



What seemed highly improbable, turned out to be a validating experience for both the boy and his teachers. He ascended two levels to level 4.

7 Secondary School



Such was his rapid development, that the youngster was ready, and keen, to start on the next stage of his life: secondary school.



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