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What difference does trauma-informed practice in an attachment-aware setting make?

(First phase KCA evaluations and anecdotal evidence)

Primary schools

- Children
 - Improved relationships with key staff
 - Improved self-regulation
 - Improved verbal communication skills / reduced acting out
 - Improved relationships with peers
 - Reductions in disruption / increased time on task
 - First indications of improved academic results

Parents

- Increased parental satisfaction with school
- Increased positive parental involvement with staff
- Parents reporting improved relationships with children at home
- Staff
 - Increased well-being and confidence
 - Shared understanding / shared language
 - Improved teamwork

Secondary schools

- Children and young people
 - Improved relationships with key staff
 - Improved self-regulation



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- Improved verbal communication skills / reduced acting out
- Improved relationships with peers
- Reductions in call-outs / exclusions
- Reductions in out-of-classroom time
- First indications of improved academic results

Staff

- Increased well-being and confidence
- Shared understanding / shared language

Special schools

- Children and young people
 - Increased well-being and confidence
 - Improved relationships with staff
 - Increased use of a range of communication skills
 - Improved self-regulation
 - Improved relationships with peers
 - Reduced use of physical interventions
 - First indications of improved academic results
- Staff
 - Increased well-being and confidence
 - Sense of purpose and empowerment
 - Whole school (reported by one special school over one year so far)
 - 50% reduction in physical interventions
 - Improved attitudes to self and school throughout the student population
 - First indicators of improved attainment

Virtual Schools providing data and anecdotal evidence include: Stoke-on-Trent, Bath and North East Somerset, Leicestershire, Derbyshire, Haringey, Nottinghamshire



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Nurseries and Children's Centres

- Children
 - Increased well-being
 - Improved communication, verbal and non-verbal
 - Improved age-appropriate self-regulation
 - Reduced disruption, increased engagement and concentration
- Parents
 - Increased engagement with staff
 - Improved confidence
- Staff
 - Increased well-being
 - Increased confidence

Primary and secondary schools

- Children and young people
 - Improved relationships with staff
 - Increased sell-being and confidence
 - Improved self-regulation
 - Improved verbal communication skills / reduced acting out
 - Increased prosocial behaviour



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Staff

Increased well-being and confidence

- Whole school
 - Shared understanding
 - Shared language
 - Shared approach
 - Reduced exclusions / call-outs
 - Improved teamwork

Youth service

- Young people and workers
 - Increased well-being
 - Increased confidence

Please remember ...

... *it takes twenty five years for the human brain to reach mature adult function – all outcomes must be regarded as interim.*



