

## Drugs Workshop

Audience: KS2 (Year 5 & Year 6)

Time: 45 minutes

Capacity: Up to 50 pupils



## Learning Outcomes

- To understand what a drug is;
- To be able to explain the differences between legal and illegal drugs;
- To understand that all drugs are potentially dangerous.

*Our KS2 Drugs Workshop aims to inform children about the differences between legal and illegal drugs, to understand that all drugs are potentially dangerous and to think about the effects and uses of drugs.*

Children will sit in 'The Street' area and will be asked to think about what a drug is, and offer a definition. They will then be asked what drugs they already know about, which will be listed on a flipchart.

Children will then be asked to think about what kind of drugs might be classified as legal drugs, such as over the counter medicines, and understanding that drugs such as alcohol and tobacco are also classed as legal.

There will then be a short discussion about illegal drugs, which includes the offences of possession and supply and the severity of legal penalties.

Children will then be split into smaller groups and will be asked to think about the positive and negative effects and uses of drugs. They will be encouraged to think about legal drugs as well as illegal drugs. They will be given 10-15 minutes to do this before presenting back to the rest of the group with their answers.



## Did you know?

About 22% of 11-15 year olds have taken an illegal substance at some point in their lifetime.