

ADD A LITTLE TWIST TO YOUR SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Assembly prep time: 5 minutes
Assembly time: 20-30 minutes

This assembly is designed to give pupils a:

- ☒ Sense of involvement in your Coffee Morning
- ☒ Understanding of how they will be helping others

Talking to your class about cancer

Cancer affects us all. Get advice on how you can talk to and support young people at macmillan.org.uk/schools

1. Encourage teamwork

- ☒ Ask your students to stand in a circle, facing each other.
- ☒ Instruct them to lift their hand and take the hand of someone opposite them. Next, do the same thing with their other hand but with someone different.
- ☒ Students must figure out how to untangle the 'pretzel' and return to a circle without releasing hands. If any student lets go, they must start from the beginning.
- ☒ Make it even more challenging by having them play the game without talking.

3. How will our school help?

Well, last year, schools just like ours held Coffee Mornings all over the country and everyone donated a little money. Altogether, they raised an amazing total of over **£27.5m**. When we all work together, we can make a huge difference!

Need some inspiration? Add a touch of presentation:

Take a look at our World's Biggest Coffee Morning assembly PowerPoint. Download at macmillan.org.uk/coffeeschools



Macmillan Cancer Support, registered charity in England and Wales (261017), Scotland (SC039907), and the Isle of Man (604). Also operating in Northern Ireland.

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2. Explain the impact it can have

Soon we're going to get together for the World's Biggest Coffee Morning. And help raise money for Macmillan. They help millions of people affected by an illness called cancer, as well as their families.

Explain that they can invite all the mums, dads, carers and others to come in for nice things to eat and drink.

Use the 'human pretzel game' they just played as a metaphor for how teamwork and resilience always trump individual efforts.

4. Wrap it up

Finish up the assembly by making sure pupils know everything about your Coffee Morning.

When and where it will be, what they need to bring to school and any special classroom activities coming up.

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