

Feelings

- Mood changes
- Anxious, nervous or afraid
- Overthinking, cannot switch thoughts off
- Feeling isolated or alone

RESS STER

- Unable to enjoy yourself
- Feeling like you.ve lost your sense of humour

Behaviours

- Difficulties making decisions
- Biting nails
- Picking at your skin
- Change in appetite
- Unable to concentrate
- Tearful or crying

STEP 1 – Make a <u>REALISTIC</u> PLAN

STEP 2 – Take breaks and make time for a social life

STRESS MANAGEMENT

STEP 3 – ASK FOR HELP (Head of Year, Student Welfare, Tutor, Teachers, STEPs)

STEP 4- Eat 3 meals a day and drink plenty of water

STEP 5 - Exercise

STEP 6 - Use 'POSITIVE SELF-TALK'



INSTEAD OF	TRY THINKING
I'm not good at this	What am I missing?
l give up	I'll use a different strategy
It's good enough	Is this really my best work?
I can't make this any better	I can always improve
This is too hard	This may take some time
I made a mistake	Mistakes help me to learn
I just can't do this	I am going to train my brain
I'll never be that smart	I will learn how to do this
Plan A didn't work	There's always Plan B
My friend can do it	I will learn from them

Take a motivational quote home today....

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION BOOKLETS ARE AVAILABLE TO COLLECT IN STEPS:

- Coping with pressure at school
- Your guide to caring for the mental well being of a child

A useful website with lots of resources and information: www.youngminds.org.uk