

KS3 – Time Traveller

Parent Information

Tick, tock, tick, tock. The hands on the clock never stop. From the moment we are born, from toddler to teen, middle age to elderly, time stops for no man. Find out what happens to our bodies and brains as we grow older, and how we cope with these changes. How long does a human baby take to grow inside the womb? Does it take longer than an elephant calf? Or a kitten? Take a good look at yourself. How has your face changed since you were a baby and how will it change as you grow older? Can you photograph it, change it, age it? And what would happen if the clock struck 13? In *Tom's Midnight Garden*, he travels to the past. Imagine that you could time travel too. When would you like to travel to and what would you like to see? Will you head back to your past or into your future? You decide.

Linked text: *Tom's Midnight Garden* – Philippa Pearce

Memorable experience

Meet people from different generations and compare young and old. Invite a mum or dad with a new baby, a grandparent or an older brother or sister into school to meet the children. Talk with the parents about their new baby, asking prepared questions about what the baby can and can't do and the care and attention it needs. Interview a grandparent about their daily life, asking questions about how things have changed in their lifetime. Ask a teenage brother or sister what they can do now that they couldn't do when they were younger, and what they look forward to in the future. Use audio technology to record their interviews.