

## Tom Tricks: For Schools and PFAs

Can be booked as a school activity or used for fundraising (see pages 3-4 for details and pricing.)

### Magic Shows/Assemblies, Themed Shows and Bubble Workshops (Suitable for school and/or events)

#### Tom-Foolery FUN Magic Show (Nursery-Y4 only – no limit on numbers)

This fun-filled magic show is designed to keep the kids laughing their hearts out, from the first moment to the last, allowing staff to sit back and enjoy the show. Children are involved, engaged and just a little amazed, as they get to help out with tricks that I 'get wrong'. I'm always the object of the joke, no child is ever picked on or made fun of, so the children leave feeling good about themselves.

*(Note: Whilst predominantly aimed at 3-7 year-olds, this can also work as a family show for events.)*

- **1 hour – full show (approx. 45 mins show-time plus allowance for settling in/changeover if needed)**
- **30 min – short show (approx. 20-25 mins show-time, e.g. for assemblies/EYFS/family events)**



#### Themed magic show (Nursery-Y4 only – no limit on numbers)

My Tom-Foolery magic show can be adapted to almost any theme/topic to suit the curriculum/school calendar, for example:

- **Seasonal** (e.g. Spring/Easter, Summer, Autumn/Halloween, Winter/Christmas)
- **Topic-based** (e.g. Pirates, Animals/Nature, Explorers/Jungle, Food, Wizards/Dragons, Colours, Materials)
- **Themed around a book, fairy tale, poem, play or character** (can request a story reading to be included at the beginning of the show)



**Make-your-own giant bubbles (All ages - up to 35 children per hour-long session or drop-in style. Outdoor activity (dry-weather needed))**

The children split into small groups and take turns to create/catch their own sets of giant bubbles using my bubble wands and super-strong bubble solution, each group getting a chance to try making different types of bubbles.

- For school sessions EYFS/KS1 will need a staff member to support each group. KS2 are able to work independently.
- For drop-in style events, I can support children/families myself, or a staff member/volunteer can support if I'm booked for an additional activity.



**Parties, balloons and treats**

*Note: While I do have some music and lights to add atmosphere, I do not provide a disco service.*

**Balloon modelling (All ages – no limit on numbers, only constraint is time and complexity of balloons. Suitable as either a standalone in-school activity, as part of a party, or as an addition to an event.)**

Balloons are always a firm favourite across all Primary age groups, and I'm a Guinness World Record holder for my balloon modelling.

- **Simple balloons** (e.g. dog or sword) **approx. 100 children per hour or can pre-make additional**
- **Complex balloons** (e.g. superheroes, princesses, dinosaurs, turtles, fairy wands, flowers – plus requests!) **40-50 children per hour depending on complexity**

*(Note: Whilst I'm making balloons, I can't provide additional entertainment for the waiting children, although I can provide lights and background music on request.)*



**Party bubbles (Reception-Y4 - no limit on numbers, provided there is enough space for safety)**

The children can have the time of their lives playing bubble-popping games, catching giant bubbles and dancing amongst the bubbles.

*(Note: this should be booked in combination with a show, balloons and/or party games)*

### **Party games (Reception-Y4 – no limit on numbers, provided there is enough space to run/jump/dance)**

All games are non-elimination, so no kids are left out. Games played will depend on group-size, available space and ages, but can include parachute games, musical statues, musical bumps, dancing contests etc.

*(Note: this should be booked in combination with a show, balloons and/or party games)*



### **Build-your-own party/session (1 hour, 90 mins, 2 hours)**

You can combine any of the below elements to create a party to best suit your children:

- **Magic show** (30 mins or 45 mins) **(Nursery-Y4 only - unlimited numbers if space)**
- **Party bubbles** (15 mins or 30 mins) **(Nursery-Y4 only – unlimited numbers if space)**
- **Party games** (15 mins or 30 mins) **(Reception-Y4 only – unlimited numbers if space)**
- **Balloon modelling** (30 mins, 60 mins, 90 mins) **(All ages - 30 mins should be enough to create simple balloons for 50 kids, or complex balloons for 20 kids.)**

*(Note: Whilst I'm making balloons, entertainment for other children will be limited to music/lights.)*



### **Pricing options**

I understand that money in schools is tight, and so I do my very best to keep my prices as low as I can, and I offer options to save by booking more than one activity in one day.

You can also speak to me about any further discounts I am able to offer for multiple bookings (e.g. across multiple schools in an Academy Trust, or across sister Junior Schools and Infant Schools.)

I also offer ways to use my activities to help raise funds for schools and/or their PFAs.

Please see the last page for full pricing details.

## Prices for Tom Tricks activities

I charge by time, rather than activity, as I find this tends to provide the best value.

- **30 mins:** £75
- **60 mins:** £110
- **90 mins:** £170
- **2 hours:** £199
- **Half-day (between 2-4 hours):** £205
- **Full-day (over 4 hours):** £275

## How much time will I need?

The time would need to cover all of the time I'd be needed on-site, from the start of the first activity, to the end of the last (e.g. if you wanted me to do 1 hour's magic show for KS1 from 9:15-10:15am and one hour of making giant bubbles with KS2 from 2:15-3:15pm, that would be 6 hours and therefore count as a 'full day'.)

Take care to plan change-over time between activities, to allow classes to change and to re-set. Also, be mindful of when the space will be ready and available to use, especially if it is also being used for breakfast/after school clubs or needs resetting time before and after meals.

## Use a Tom Tricks event as a fundraising activity

Several of my activities can be used to help raise funds for your school or PTA. I'll explain how this could work for different kinds of activity.

### 1. Sell tickets to a show/activity

- Create a paid-for ticketed school event e.g. a Winter Party or an Easter Magic Show
- Book the relevant activity/activities for the event (making sure they are appropriate for year groups being invited - you may wish to run separate events for different age ranges.)
- Choose your ticket price (you may want to charge extra if you plan on supplying drinks/snacks, or you may prefer to run a tuck-shop alongside the event.)
- Advertise and sell tickets to parents and carers.
- This can be a school-only event, or you can open it to families if safe and insured for this.
- **Depending on how many tickets you expect to sell, you can either pay for my time directly and keep all ticket revenue, or we can split the proceeds from ticket sales.**

### 2. Sell balloon models and/or turns making giant bubbles

- Book me for balloon modelling, giant bubbles or both, during a time you're expecting lots of families (e.g. a school fair or an after-school tuck-shop)
- Both activities can be done separately or simultaneously, but if they're happening at the same time, you'll need to supervise the bubble-making activity yourselves, to ensure it's being done safely and the bubble mixture doesn't get spilled.
- For balloon models: ask parents and carers for a donation for each balloon model made
- Balloon making can create big queues, so I can pre-make balloon swords to bring if you need to sell a lot quickly (i.e. using some of the chargeable hour to pre-make and some at the event.)
- For giant bubble-making: ask parents and carers to donate/pay for their child to have a turn making the bubbles (limit time to keep queues down.)
- **Depending on how many balloons/bubble goes you expect to sell, you can either pay for my time directly and keep all proceeds, or we can split the proceeds.**