

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to our spring term! It's been fantastic to have the children back in school, and they have settled in well after the half-term break. Over the past two weeks, we have been delving into the exciting topics of geography and design and technology. The children have thoroughly enjoyed these subjects, and it's been wonderful to see their creativity and curiosity at work.

We're pleased to inform you that many year groups have had the opportunity to head out on educational visits, expanding their learning beyond the classroom. Additionally, our children have been actively participating in a range of sports competitions, demonstrating great teamwork and a positive attitude.

A gentle reminder to all parents: please refrain from parking on the zigzag lines around the school gates. This is crucial for the safety of all our children and helps to keep traffic flow smooth during busy periods.

Mrs Kettory

Head of School



WORLD BOOK DAY: Thursday March 7th

This year, World Book Day will be celebrated Thursday, 7th March. Children are invited to dress up as their favorite book character, and our theme this year is 'Traditional Fairytales.' Please do not feel the need to go out and buy expensive fancy dress costumes. The teachers have discussed with the children how they can be 'creative' with things you will already have at home. The best costumes tend to be the ones made at home. Prizes will be awarded to the best-dressed children, and these will be given out during our celebration assembly the following day. We are looking forward to seeing your creative costumes!

Reading for pleasure is the single biggest indicator of a child's future success – more than their family circumstances, their parents' educational background or their income.*



PHONICS WORKSHOP

We will be hosting a parent phonics workshop for Parents /carers with children in Year 1 and Year 2.

This is an opportunity to learn and ask questions about how to best support your child in becoming a confident and fluent reader who develops a long lasting love of reading so please do join us. The session will take place in the main hall from 9:00-10:00am



You are invited to attend our



Year 1 & 2

Phonics Workshop!



This workshop will be an introduction to how we teach reading and help provide you with some strategies to support your child with phonics and reading at home.



Come along on

Tuesday 5th March 2024

Time: 9.00am



Our 'Thought for the week '

In our assemblies this week, we have been thinking about: **Random Acts of Kindness**

What is kindness? What acts of kindness have you experienced? Why do the small things matter?

Key Dates for your Diary

Lake District Visit—**Monday 4th—Friday 8th March**

Phonics Parent workshop—**Tuesday 5th March 9:00am**

World Book Day (The theme for dressing up will be 'Traditional Tales')—**Thursday 7th March**

Big Walk and Wheel Event—**11th— 22nd March**

Class Photo Day — **Tuesday 12th March**

Comic Relief — **Friday 15th March**

Mental Health Coffee Morning

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to all the parents and carers who attended our Mental Health Workshop on earlier this week. The session proved to be an insightful and valuable discussion platform, focusing on the role of Educational Mental Health Practitioners (EMHPs) within our school community. During the workshop, parents had the opportunity to engage in conversations about the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) and explore ways to support neuro-divergent children. We appreciate the active participation and openness during these discussions.

Attendance Winners This Week

Classes with the highest attendance in:

KS1: 1T

KS2: 5K



STAFFING UPDATES

Please join me in extending our best wishes to Mrs. Harris as she leaves us after more than 11 years at North Beckton. Mrs. Harris has been a dedicated team member, providing support to vulnerable families and caring for our children. We appreciate her significant contributions and wish her success in her future endeavours. On a positive note, we are delighted to announce the return of Mrs. Dereli to North Beckton following her maternity leave.

CLASS PHOTO DAY

We will be having our class photos taken on Tuesday 12th March. Please make sure your child is in full school uniform. Year 3, who usually have PE on Tuesday afternoon should also come in wearing their uniform on this day.



Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel inspires pupils to make active journeys to school, improve air quality in their local areas and discover how these changes benefit the world. It is the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking and scooting challenge inspiring pupils, staff and parents to choose human power for their journey to school. North Beckton will be joining approximately 2600 other schools in taking part in the campaign.

For the 2 weeks beginning 11th March and 18th March, please encourage your child/ren to travel to school via walking or wheeling—Bike/Scooters/Skates.



Please talk through the weekly lunch menu with your child/ren to help them select suitable meal choices. For the first week back after half term we will be serving Week 3 of the menu (available on to view on our school website: <https://www.northbeckton.newham.sch.uk/>)



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Join in the celebration and discover how you can change your world by changing your journey

- ✓ Be active and feel more energised
- ✓ Help the environment by replacing a car journey
- ✓ Help your school win some fantastic prizes

Are you taking part in the UK's **biggest** walking, wheeling, scooting and cycling to school competition?

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