

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a restful half-term break. It has been a real pleasure welcoming the children back for Spring 2. They have returned with positive attitudes and have quickly settled back into their routines. This week, they have been revisiting key learning, strengthening prior knowledge, and completing a few informal assessments to help us plan the next steps in their learning.

A polite reminder about punctuality: our school gates open at 8:40am and close promptly at 8:50am. We have noticed an increase in late arrivals, and even a few minutes can mean children miss valuable reading time and a calm start to the day. If you arrive after 8:50am, you will need to accompany your child to the main reception to sign them in.

After-school clubs will resume next week. You should now have received confirmation of your child's allocated club(s). Please remember that clubs finish at 4:20pm and children must be collected on time.

Finally, a reminder that World Book Day will take place next Thursday. Children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character-creativity encouraged!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Kettory  
Head of School

## Tesco Ground Works

We're on the Shortlist – Help Us Win! Great news-our school has been shortlisted for Tesco's Stronger Starts grant to support our edible garden project! We need your help to collect as many blue tokens as possible. When you shop at Tesco, please place your token in North Beckton's Edible Garden Project.

Every token counts, so encourage your friends, family, and neighbours to vote for us too. Watch a personalised video supporting North Beckton Primary School from Jessica Ennis-Hill:

<https://strongerstarts.tesco.com/video/a12c3a45-1af1-4045-99f9-68c1609c6a5f>



## MMR Vaccine

While Newham is not currently experiencing a measles outbreak, nearby areas have reported cases. To keep all children safe, please ensure your child is up to date with their MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella) vaccine.

Newham has shared a poster with information about the vaccine and upcoming community catch-up clinics for any child who has not yet received it. Early vaccination helps protect your child and our community. Please take a moment to view the attached poster and share this information with your family.



## Lunch Menus

Please talk through the weekly lunch menu with your child/ren to help them select suitable meal choices.(available on to view on our school website):

<https://www.northbeckton.newham.sch.uk/page/?title=Lunches%26%23160%3B&pid=51>

Change is possible.  
Hope is power.

## Our 'Thought of the Week'

### The Power of Hope-Spring is Coming



Why is it important to develop a sense of hopefulness?  
What are we hopeful for?

### Key Dates

Spring 2

Eat them to Defeat Them Campaign Launch- Monday 2nd March

World Book Day- Thursday 5th March (children are invited to dress up)

Year 4 Visit to Natural History Museum- Monday 9th March

Class Photos- Tuesday 10th March

Red Nose Day - Non Uniform Friday 20th March

### Safer Internet Day Workshop

Thank you to all the parents who joined our Internet Safety Workshop last term. We hope you found it useful and enjoyed seeing your children in action, using AI in their computing lessons. It was great to have you involved and to share a glimpse of how we're helping them navigate the digital world safely.



### Hot Chocolate

Thank you for another successful Hot Chocolate morning - we raised an amazing **£223.40**. It's wonderful to see our school community coming together to support each other and connect with one another.



### Attendance Winners This Week

Reception & KS1 Winner: **1T**

KS2 Winner: **6J**

Perfect Punctuality: **RK, 4P, 5E, 6R**

An impressive 230 children achieved 'Excellent Attendance' for Spring 1. Well done to them all!!

### Eat Them to Defeat Them – Launching March 2nd!

We're kicking off the Eat Them to Defeat Them campaign at North Beckton on Monday, March 2nd! This fun challenge encourages children to try and enjoy more vegetables. As part of the campaign, children will be encouraged to try different vegetables at lunchtime and will be awarded stickers for new vegetables they try. Last year, over 1 million children joined in, with many parents noticing their fussy eaters enjoying more veg! Your child will bring home a mission pack and sticker sheet on Monday, please encourage them to take part at home and celebrate each vegetable victory!



# EAT THEM TO DEFEAT THEM



## HAS HELPED OVER 1 MILLION PARENTS...

*Eat Them to Defeat Them is the fun, multi-award-winning campaign that encourages children to eat more vegetables. Last year 88% of parents reported their child ate more vegetables.*

[EATTHEMTODEFEATTHEM.COM](http://EATTHEMTODEFEATTHEM.COM)



**VEGPOWER**



Funded by  
UK Government



NEWHAM  
FAMILY HUB  
NETWORK



# Speech and Language Support - Under 5's



**Every Tuesday from 12:30–2.30pm**

Do you have questions about your child's talking?

We can talk about any concerns you have and offer you advice to support your child's communication.

To book an appointment to speak to a Speech and Language Therapist, email **familyhub@newham.gov.uk** or call us on **020 3373 2555**

[newham.gov.uk/familyhubnetwork](https://newham.gov.uk/familyhubnetwork)

**WE ARE NEWHAM.**



VACCINATION UK

# Measles is spreading

**MMR vaccine is available for those who have not received both doses of the MMR as an infant**

**Children who aren't fully vaccinated are at serious risk of complications such as ear infections, pneumonia, and, in rare cases, brain inflammation.**

**Check your child's MMR vaccinations today**

- The MMR vaccine protects against Measles, Mumps, and Rubella
- Two doses give the best protection
- If you're unsure whether your child is up to date, ask your GP or practice nurse



We are able to vaccinate for MMR at our catch-ups and while visiting the schools or at a community clinic.

Scan the QR code or visit our website [www.schoolvaccination.uk](http://www.schoolvaccination.uk)

Part of the NHS School Aged Immunisation Service





# ATTENDANCE IN ALL WEATHERS



As the mornings are darker and colder and the weather is wetter please be mindful that your child is still expected to be in school.

Please ensure they are well dressed for the weather.

Regular attendance promotes positive routines and emphasises the importance of school and learning.

If you need support with this please feel free to speak with the schools Attendance Officer Mrs Omer.

