

NEWINGTON GREEN

NEWSLETTER

11/09/26

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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back for our first full week of the autumn term. The school has been buzzing with positivity and enthusiasm, and I have been incredibly impressed with how well the children have settled into their new classes and routines.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our Meet the Teacher sessions this week. These meetings provide a valuable opportunity for families to learn more about the exciting topics planned for the term ahead, as well as the expectations for each year group.

We are grateful for the support you provide at home and the strong partnership we have with our families. One of the most important ways you can help your child succeed is by encouraging regular reading. Reading together, listening to your child read, and discussing books helps to develop confidence, fluency and a lifelong love of learning.

During assembly on Monday, I spoke to the children about setting ambitious goals for the year ahead and how these link to our new Green Goals. The children were really reflective, and spoke about many things they want to achieve at school - from improving their descriptive writing, learning to play an instrument, becoming more fluent with their times tables and challenging themselves with their reading. We talked about the importance of being ambitious, but also about taking small steps along the way. Please do talk to your children about the things they are keen to learn or improve this year.

Finally, just a few reminders about dates next week - **Year 2** meet the teacher session is on **Wednesday 16th September @3.15pm** and **Year 5** is on **Thursday 17th September @3.15pm**. **Holly class** start **Forest School** on **Tuesday 15th September**, parent volunteers welcome. **Year 6** have a trip to **HMS Belfast** on **Thursday 17th September**.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

SEPTEMBER'S RIGHT OF THE MONTH: ARTICLE 28- ACCESS TO EDUCATION

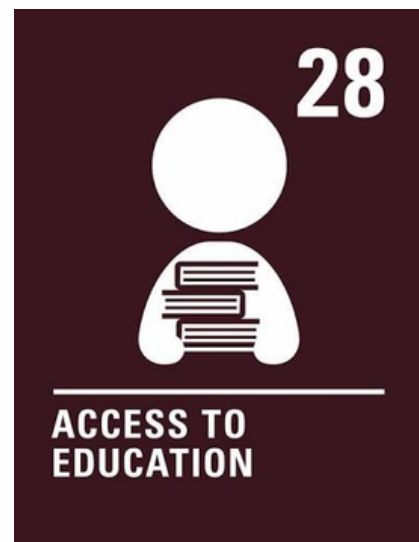
This month we are learning about Article 28 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), which states that every child has the right to an education.

At Newington Green Primary School, we are proud to be an inclusive school where every child is welcomed, valued and supported to achieve their full potential. Education is about much more than academic learning. It helps children develop confidence, build friendships, discover their strengths and prepare for their future.

Parents and carers can support this right by talking with their children about what they enjoy learning, celebrating their achievements and encouraging a positive attitude towards school. These conversations help children understand the importance of education and feel supported in their learning journey.

As part of our commitment to ensuring every child can fully access their right to education, we will be working with families where a child's attendance was below 92% last academic year. Over the next two weeks, Sandra, our Attendance and Pastoral Support Worker, will be contacting these families to discuss a supportive plan tailored to their child's needs. These plans will help us identify any barriers and work together to ensure children can make the most of the opportunities available to them at school.

By working in partnership with families, we can help every child feel happy, included and ready to learn every day. Thank you for your continued support in helping us make sure all children can enjoy their right to education.



VIEW YOUR CHILDS BEHAVIOUR POINTS ON ARBOR

Last week, we introduced our new Behaviour Points system and our Green Goals, which help promote positive behaviour across the school. Children can earn points for demonstrating our Green Goals, including Legendary Lines, Magnificent Manners, Wonderful Walking and Calm Corridors.

Parents and carers can now view these Behaviour Points through the Arbor app, making it easy to see and celebrate the positive choices your child is making at school.

To find out how to view your child's Behaviour Points, please visit the Arbor guide: [Behaviour on the Parent Portal – Arbor Help Centre](#).

If you have not yet set up the Arbor app, you can find guidance here: [Logging In to the Parent Portal & Parent App – Arbor Help Centre](#)

We encourage families to use the app regularly and talk with their children about the positive behaviour points they have earned. Celebrating these achievements at home helps reinforce our school values and supports children in making positive choices every day.

If you have any difficulties accessing Arbor, please speak to a member of the school office team.



INCREDIBLE YEARS @NG



Incredible Years Groups are for parents and carers of children aged 1-10 years. There are three groups depending on your child's age:

Toddler Group: Parents of children aged 1-3
Early Childhood Group: Parents of children aged 3-6
School Age Group: Parents of children aged 6-10

Bright StartCentral Toddler 1-3years Tuesday mornings from 22nd Sept – 19th January New RiverGreen Children'sCentre FatemaKhanom (Family Engagement Worker) fatema.khanom@islingt on.gov.uk Jill Cheever (CAMHS Clinician) jillian.cheever@nhs.uk	Bright Start North Early Childhood 3-6 Friday mornings from 25th September – 26th January Ambler Children's Centre Melissa Jacques (Family Engagement Worker) melissa.jacques@islingt on.gov.uk Maria-Clara Vejarano- Brill (CAMHS Clinician) m.vejarano@nhs.uk	Bright Futures 5-19 School Agegroup 6-10 Thursday mornings from 24th September – 14th January Newington Green Primary School Nilgun Mehmet-Ali (Family Support Practitioner) Nilgun.Mehmet- Ali@islington.gov.uk Anne Marie Reid (CAMHS Clinician) annemarie.reid@nhs.uk
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A course for
parents who want
to learn how to get
the best behaviour
out of their children

The Incredible Years Groups
are for parents and carers who
want to:

- Improve their child's behaviour
- Learn more about what behaviours are normal for children
- Meet other parents
- Learn parenting skills
- Feel more confident as a parent
- Feel less stressed about parenting

"This course is not
a lesson on what
as a parent you
are doing wrong,
more so an insight

"Oh my! What changes haven't
I seen! I have become more
patient and to enjoy my
children the best way!"

Topics

- Parental attention and child directed play (promoting positive relationships)
- Child-directed coaching
- Social and emotional coaching
- Praise and encouragement
- Rewards & Incentives
- Rules & Routines
- Effective Limit Setting
- Handling misbehaviour

How can I find out more?

To register your interest, you can talk to a Family Engagement Worker at your local children's centre and state which group you are interested in. The timetable is also on the Family Information Service Website.

For Toddler and Early Childhood groups please scan QR below to register your interest. For School Age group please contact the clinicians directly by email.



DRAMA CLUB BACK @NG

Drama Club is back at Newington Green Primary! 🎭

Starting Wednesday 16th September

We're really excited to be back for another term of Drama Club!

This term, our focus is finding your voice. Through drama games, improvisation and performance, children will learn how to create and deliver their own speeches, share their ideas and speak with confidence.

Throughout the term, children will:

- ☀️ Build confidence in speaking and performing
- 🎤 Create and develop their own speeches
- 🎭 Take part in fun drama games and improvisation
- 💡 Develop creativity, imagination & communication skills
- 🎭 Learn how to use their voice and body confidently in performance

At the end of term, we'll bring everything together for a special showcase for parents and families, giving the children the chance to share what they've been working on.

Whether your child already loves performing or could use a little extra confidence speaking in front of others, everyone is welcome!

Places are now open for the Autumn Term

Already a member?

There's nothing you need to do. Children who attended last term will automatically continue as part of their rolling monthly subscription unless we receive written notice to cancel.

New to Drama Club? Book your place here: <https://pbbi.uk/4shdCrH>

We can't wait to see everyone back at Drama Club!

Lauren Williams

In partnership with Better, Islington are running free swimming lessons throughout the school holiday (October half-term) to residents and children who go to school in the borough. Lessons are on offer for children aged 4 to 16 who are currently not able to swim 25 metres.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Year 1 Holly Class attending Forest School Tuesday 15th Sepetember
- Year 2 parent meeting Wednesday 16th of September @3.15pm
- Year 5 parent meeting Thursday 17th of September @3.15pm
- Year 6 trip to HMS Belfast Thursday 17th of September
- Phonics workshop Friday 18th of September @ 9am
- Inset day (Children **Not to attend school**) Friday 2nd of October
- Half Term holiday Monday 26th of October - Friday 30th of October
- Inset day (Children **Not to attend school**) Monday 2nd of November

Educational Experiences in 2025-26

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Freightliner's City Farm London Bus Tour Florence Nightingale Museum V&A Childhood Museum King Henry's Walk Garden	Tate Modern The Monument Horniman Museum London Zoo Hampstead Heath Museum of Docklands	British Museum Science Museum Parliament Westminster Walk London Aquarium Kew Gardens Mosque Visit	Science Museum Chocolate Museum Church Visit Ragged School Museum River Lea Highgate Wood	Olympic Park Science Museum British Museum Synagogue Visit London Zoo Southbank	HMS Belfast Jewish Museum Ben Kinsella Workshop Theatre Trips National Portrait Gallery

A voluntary donation of £24 via Arbor helps fund all the educational visits we offer over the year

Your generous donations help makes trips like these possible, and mean we can offer a range of fantastic learning opportunities!

For more details, or if you have any questions, please speak to us in the office!

STARS OF THE WEEK

- Year 1 - Maya and Ieyaan
- Year 2 - Djojo
- Year 3 - Oliver and Aizah
- Year 4 - Angelica and Haimi
- Year 5 - Amaya and Zakariya
- Year 6 - JamJam and Zeynep



ATTENDANCE NEWS

Whole school attendance this year: **92.7%**
Statutory school attendance: **93%**
This week's average: **93.9%**
National average this year: **95.8%**

Elm	99.30%
Willow	98.00%
Cedar	97.20%
Ash	96.60%
Holly	96.40%
Maple	95.20%
Sycamore	94.70%
Rowan	94.50%
Beech	93.10%
Palm	92.80%
Mulberry	92.70%
Apple	92.30%
Pine	90.30%
Silver birch	89.90%
Oak	88.30%
Cherry	82.10%

AFTERSCHOOL AND BREAKFAST CLUB TIMETABLE

Newington Green Primary School After School Club Plan for week beginning 14.09.2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Board games, card games	Board games, card games	Board games, card games	Board games, card games	Board games, card games
Competition and challenge	Competition and challenge	Competition and challenge	Competition and challenge	Competition and challenge
literacy & Mathematics Homework, Crossword & Maths puzzles	literacy & Mathematics Homework, Crossword & Maths puzzles	literacy & Mathematics Homework, Crossword & Maths puzzles	literacy & Mathematics Homework, Crossword & Maths puzzles	literacy & Mathematics Homework, Crossword & Maths puzzles
Self-reflection with Maria	Relaxation Play with Sarah	Papercraft	Painting with Annie	sensory Play
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Newington Green Primary School Breakfast Club Plan for week beginning 14.09.2024

Staff who we know will be working at Breakfast Club: Lead: Lisa B. Playworkers: Amie & Shpetime

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reading corner	Reading corner	Reading corner	Reading corner	Reading corner
Homework support, please bring in the work you would like support with!	Homework support, please bring in the work you would like support with!	Homework support, please bring in the work you would like support with!	Homework support, please bring in the work you would like support with!	Homework support, please bring in the work you would like support with!
Arts and Craft	Maths Activities	Literacy activities	EFES Focus	Free Choice activity area
Legal Board games	Legal Board games	Legal Board games	Legal Board games	Legal Board games
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Small groups of children will participate in activities with adult supervision to gain access and support where needed

Menu: Weetabix, Rice Krispies, and Cornflakes. Hot food will be one of the following: Pancakes with syrup, bagel with scrambled eggs, beans on toast and toast/ crumpets with jam & English muffins.

FREE SCHOOL MEAL VOUCHERS DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Do you qualify for free school meals (FSM) status. Anyone who hasn't applied or whose circumstances may have changed please apply on Islington's Citizen portal to see if you are eligible.
[Free school meals | Islington Council](#)

SUPPORT WITH CHILDCARE

If you are a working parent and require help with Childcare please use the links to see what help is available.

[Eligibility checker | Best Start in Life](#)

[Tax-Free Childcare - GOV.UK](#)

[Free Childcare for Working Parents: Overview - GOV.UK](#)