

Newbury Park Primary School

a community school in the London Borough of Redbridge



European Award
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Newsletter

Welcome back to the new school year

Dear parent,

Thank you everyone who continues to walk to school every day!

Last term there was a very successful Walk to School Week which resulted in over 20% more children walking to school. During the week many children wrote to different people to express their views about the importance of walking to school for their health and the environment. Here is a selection of some of their responses:

'I am delighted that the pupils of Newbury Park Primary School are supporting this initiative and agree with them that walking to school makes one healthier and happier.' **Mike Gapes M.P.**

'I was pleased that you recently had a Walk to School Week which focused on health and fitness as well as environmental issues.' **Ed Balls, Secretary of State: Children, Families & Schools.**

'The Queen was most interested to learn about your Walk to School Week and pleased to know of your concern for health, fitness and the environment.' **Buckingham Palace**

'Mr. Brown appreciates you taking the time to write and for sharing your views on climate change and the pollution caused by cars.' **10 Downing Street.**

It is really exciting to know that our week had such a wide reaching impact and thanks to everyone for their involvement.

School meals

As you are aware the new contractor, **ISS Caterhouse**, is now providing our school meals. So far, we have seen a real improvement in the quality of the meals offered to children. The cost of a school meal is **£1.93** and cheques should be made payable to the **London Borough of Redbridge**.

| no. of days | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| amount | £1.93 | £3.86 | £5.79 | £7.72 | £9.65 |

Money for meals **must** be paid in on a Monday when the credit is added to your child's charge card.

The cards are held by the catering staff and swiped each time they have a meal. To have a meal your child will always need to be in credit.

If they have no credit in their account they will not be able to have a school dinner and you will be telephoned to provide a packed lunch on that day. **It is therefore advisable to keep a few days of credit on your child's account.** Unfortunately, our office staff will no longer have direct access to your child's dinner money balance. Children will still order their meals in class on a daily basis as before.

Packed lunches Reminder – children should not bring crisps, cakes, or chocolate in packed lunches on Tues, Wed, or Thursdays. Crisps can be included on Mondays & cake/chocolate on Fridays.

Events this term

Parents Evenings - there will be an opportunity for you to meet with your child's new class teacher this term on:

Monday 28th Sept. 4 – 6 pm or
Wednesday 30th Sept. 6 – 8 pm

School photographer Tues 13th & Wed 14th Oct

Class trips

Year 4 National Portrait Gallery 16th & 20th Oct.

Year 6 Imperial War Museum 20th & 22nd Oct.

Year 6 Glasbury 1st – 7th November

The school calendar showing all term dates is printed overleaf.

Please note:

– there is an additional closure on 6th May due to the local government elections.