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*Placing learners and learning at the heart of all that we do.*

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**SPRING TERM 2 DIARY DATES**

**Friday 20th March: Professional Development Day: SCHOOL CLOSED**  
 Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March: Y5 Visit to Jorvik -York (!! consent & pay by Arbor)  
 Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March: Parent Consultations: Pupil Reports  
 Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April: Parent Consultations: Pupil Reports  
 Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April: H TEMPEST Class photographs  
 Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April: **SCHOOL CLOSSES** end of term  
 Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April: **SCHOOL OPENS** – Summer Term 1  
 Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April: Dental Checks in school– Rec/Year 1  
 Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May: **SCHOOL CLOSED** – Bank Holiday  
 Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May: **SCHOOL CLOSSES** - half term  
 Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June: **SCHOOL OPENS** – Summer Term 2  
 Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July: **SCHOOL CLOSSES**  
**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July/ Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July: Professional Development Days: SCHOOL CLOSED**

**CONTACT NUMBERS**

Please notify the school office if any of your contact details have changed - address, landline number, mobile phone number etc.

**DINNER MONEY**

All school dinners to be paid via your **ARBOR** account.  
**£12 per week**

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have been looking at our pupil questionnaire (next page), which makes an interesting read. Whilst the children generally feel safe and cared for (89%+), the comments on peer behaviour are interesting! We recognise that it is everybody's responsibility to support a positive learning and playing environment, which helps us all to achieve our best. It is easier said than done! **Next week school is closed on Friday, it is a Professional Development Day.**



**CHOIR – TRUST MUSIC EVENT – MIDDLESBROUGH TOWN HALL**

Our school choir were amazing at the Trust music event this week. The children were so brave, performing on the Middlesbrough Town Hall stage alongside all the other schools in our Trust. Many thanks to those who were able to attend and support the event. We hope you enjoyed it. Congratulations and well done to all our choir, and staff choir who participated in the event.

**SCHOOL PAYMENTS** All school payments eg Dinner Money, Educational Visits, Events, Residential, Lost books, Discos, etc have now moved to the Arbor system. Payments can be made via your own ARBOR accounts. If you have not already activated your account please **seek your email from Arbor to activate your account.** The system will enable you to access your child's information.

**PARENT CONSULTATIONS/ PUPIL ANNUAL REPORTS**

We will be holding our Parent Consultations to hand out our children's annual reports on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March and Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April. **The booking system via Arbor will be live from 5pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March until 12 noon on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March.** Your appointment time can only be made via your Arbor account. If you have any issues – please contact the school office. Thank you.

**UNIFORM**

Uniform is red jumper/cardigan, white shirt/polo shirt, grey or black trousers/skirt and black shoes.

PE uniform is to be worn for PE – see below. PE uniform **MUST** be worn if representing our school in Sports events.

**SPRING TERM 2 PE DAYS:** PE sessions have now changed for Spring 2 and we ask that the Year 1 – Year 6 children **come to school in their kit** (white t-shirt, black shorts, joggers and a sweatshirt, plimsolls or trainers). The children's PE days are:

PE TIMETABLE: SPRING TERM 2 2026		
	Indoor	Outdoor
<b>M</b>	Nursery/Reception	Year 3 (2NS/2AJ)
<b>T</b>	Year 6 (2BV/2KT)	Year 5 (2HB/2DJ)
<b>W</b>	am: Year 1 (1AC) / Year 2 (1MG) pm: Year 3 (2NS/2AJ)	Year 6 (2BV/2KT)
<b>Th</b>	am: Nursery/Reception pm: Year 4 (2CR/2JH)	Year 1 (1AC) / Year 2 (1MG)
<b>F</b>	Year 5 (2HB/2DJ)	Year 4 (2CR /2 JH)

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026, Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026, Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2026**

**EASTER RAFFLE**

Staff are currently donating Easter eggs for our Easter raffle which will be drawn in assembly during the week beginning 30<sup>th</sup> March. Tickets are available from **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March** at a cost of 20p cash, before school 8.40am–9.00am.



## February 2026: Pupil questionnaire results

		Strongly agree 	Agree 	Disagree 	Strongly disagree 
1	I enjoy school.	44%	45%	10%	0.5%
2	<b>I feel safe at Newham Bridge.</b>	52%	38%	3%	-
3	I feel cared for and well looked after.	52%	46%	1%	0.5%
4	<b>My teachers make sure that I have any additional support that I need to learn well in school.</b>	56%	35%	5%	-
5	My teachers help me do my best. I am encouraged to achieve my best at Newham Bridge.	64%	31%	4%	-
6	<b>The feedback I get from teachers helps me to improve.</b>	45%	45%	8%	0.5%
7	I know what I need to do to improve my work.	35%	46%	8%	4%
8	<b>School helps me to develop my skills in reading, writing and mathematics.</b>	68%	25%	6%	-
9	I feel I am making progress with my learning.	49%	37%	9%	3%
10	<b>Homework supports my learning.</b>	37%	42%	14%	7%
11	My teachers treat everyone fairly.	57%	31%	9%	2%
12	<b>Other pupils behave well around school</b>	19%	42%	26%	13%
13	Other pupils behave well in lessons so I can get on with my work.	21%	41%	29%	8%
14	<b>Staff deal with behaviour issues and bullying.</b>	57%	31%	8%	3%
15	There is an adult I could talk to if something is worrying me.	58%	29%	3%	1%
16	<b>I enjoy taking part in activities.</b>	66%	29%	3%	1%
17	Visits out and visitors in school help me with my learning.	46%	42%	6%	6%
18	<b>I would recommend this school to another child.</b>	<b>Yes</b>	97%	<b>No</b>	2%

19	What makes you feel unsafe at school?	<b>Responses: (Pupil numbers)</b> Nothing...I feel safe-59   Loud noises- 9   Loneliness- 3   Injuries- 2 Bullying- 19   Fake friends- 1   Arguing with friends- 2   Being late- 2 Bulldog- 6   Football slide tackles- 3   Children saying mean things/not playing- 11 When people get shouted at - 2   When children tell lies, boys are too rough - 15			
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**Comments:** \*For other children to follow the rules, less shouting/calling out

- \*Some children disrupt others who want to listen and learn
- \*Harder work to help us improve more
- \*Children shouting out is annoying
- \*Children to stop being silly and rude to others/each other
- \*Could we have a class pet
- \*Mirrors in bathrooms
- \*Girls to wear hair down and be allowed lip gloss
- \*Make break longer and lunchtime shorter
- \*Year 5 to sit on the benches
- \*This is the best school/ I love this school
- \*I like the school council
- \*Teachers do encourage us to try our best
- \*Teachers look after us
- \*Teachers are kind, they listen to us

**More please.....**

- \*More ASClubs: Sports, baking, drama, computing, dodgeball
- \*More together time(Friday pm)
- \*More trips/visits
- \*More non- school uniform days
- \*More activities to enjoy eg: Pizza Fridays/ Hot chocolate treats/ Discos / No pen day/ Ice Cream days/ Pyjama days

### **IMPORTANT DATES 2026: NATIONAL ASSESSMENTS**

KS2 YEAR 6 Statutory Assessments: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026

YEAR 4 Multiplication check: Between Monday 1<sup>st</sup> - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026

KS1 YEAR 1 Phonics Assessment: 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026

**TERM TIME HOLIDAYS** School attendance is mandatory for all pupils. Parents should plan their holidays around school breaks and avoid seeking permission to take their children out of school. **School holidays during term time will not be authorised and Fixed Penalty Notices are being issued by the LA. The DFE does not consider a need or desire for a holiday or other absence for the purpose of leisure and recreation to be exceptional circumstances.**

### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

<b>SPRING TERM AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS</b>	
<b>Early Bird Club 8.10 – 8.40am (Y1 – Y6 30max)</b>	
Please ensure all children (Y1-Y6) are collected at the correct time ( <b>Bold below</b> ) by an appropriate adult (OVER 18). *Year 6 pupils may walk, if school has already received written permission.	
<b>Monday</b>	Table Tennis <b>4.00pm</b> Mario Kart Club <b>4.10 pm</b> Maths Masters <b>4.10 pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	Mighty Warriors <b>4.10 pm</b> Y6 Homework <b>4.00 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	KS2 Multi-sports (Gp 2) <b>4.10 pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	Big Kids <b>4.15 pm</b> TTRS <b>4.00 pm</b>
<b>Friday</b>	Archery <b>4.20 pm</b> Trampolining <b>4.10 pm</b>

### **EARLY BIRD CLUB (8.10 – 8.40am (Y1 – Y6 30max))**

Families who access and use our Early Bird Club **MUST** book in advance via the Arbor app. Families who pay to access the service also need to pay, in advance of booking. Thank you!

As Early Birds is operated voluntarily by staff, at no cost to the school, the limited funds generated support the purchase of new games and equipment for our early birds. The children were consulted and purchases so far have included traditional games: Solitaire, Snakes and ladders, Domino runs and several marble runs. Our new games have been very popular with our children.



### **MEDICATION**

Only prescribed medication (4x daily) can be given in school.

All medication **MUST** be delivered to and collected from the school office.

Thank you!