PARENT CONNECT

Supporting Newham Families 10th June 2022 Edition

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Hello everyone,

If you would like to receive this newsletter direct to your email you can <u>Sign up</u> <u>for Parent Connect here</u>

Parent connect is circulated on a monthly basis.

Have a wonderful weekend, see you next month!

Early Help Partnership

June 2022





Newham Parents as Partners

Join the Newham Parents as Partners Network

Are you a parent living in Newham?

- Interested in becoming a Parent Champion trained by the council to signpost local parents to services?
- Do you want your voice heard and actively take part in working with the Council to improve services?
- Do you want to be kept informed of new developments and services that your family can access?
- Are you interested in joining a Parents as Partners Network?

If you have answered 'yes I am interested' to any of the questions, please click on the link to join the newly devised 'Parents as Partners Network'.

Parents that sign up will be kept abreast of upcoming consultations and engagement events that they can join to get their voices heard as part of developments. You will also be informed of Parent Champion training and volunteering opportunities as well as invitations to the termly Parents as Partners Network meetings.

Your participation is voluntary.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Sign up here!



Life-saving vaccines for School Students

Students in Year 9 are now being offered vaccines to protect against Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio and Meningitis (DTP/MenACWY). These are serious infectious diseases which can be fatal.

Vaccination UK will be visiting Newham schools offering the DTP/MenACWY vaccine **from now until July 2022.** Parents and carers need complete the <u>online e-consent form</u> (one for each child) beforehand so their child can be vaccinated.

If your child misses their school clinic, you can email newham@v-uk.co.uk or call 0208 214 1393/1935 for information on catch-up clinics across the borough. For more information visit https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/





VACCINE PROTECTION



Students in Year 9 are being offered vaccines to protect against Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio and Meningitis (DTP/MenACWY) from now until July 2022.

From September, students in Year 8 will be offered the human papillomavirus vaccine (HPV).

These are serious infectious diseases which can be fatal.

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When you receive a letter about these vaccines, you must complete the online e-consent form (one for each child) so your child can be vaccinated. If you need a paper consent form, please speak to your child's school

If your child has missed their school clinic, email newham@v-uk.co.uk or call 020 8214 1393/1935 for information on catch-up clinics located throughout the borough.

For more information visit www.schoolvaccination.ul

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HeadStart Coffee and Chat

Sign up to Headstarts Coffee and Chat!

https://newhamself.achieveservice.com/service/Parenting Sup port Referral

For more information, contact headstart.programmeteam@newham.gov.uk





Kinship Hub

Visit us online: www.kinshipcarershub.org

Follow our socials: Facebook Instagram

Twitter LinkedIn

Join our email subscribers list <u>here</u> for our monthly newsletter and notification of upcoming events.

Hub Happenings

Upcoming Events

21 May- Kinship Carers Cooking Club on Zoom 25 May- Kids Kitchen/Kinship Hub under 5s cooking class (open to general public) 28 May- Kinship Carers Cooking Club on Zoom

4 June- Kinship Carers Cooking Club in Person!
8 June- Kids Kitchen/Kinship Hub under Ss cooking class (Kinship families only)
22 June- Kids Kitchen/Kinship Hub under Ss

cooking class (open to general public)

6 July- Kids Kitchen/Kinship Hub under 5s
cooking class (Kinship families only)

 ZO July- Kids Kitchen/Kinship Hub under 5s cooking class (open to general public)
 31 July- Kinship Hub summer celebration!

Employability Program

Last week, we had our biggest Kinship Kitchen catering job to date! Community Connections Lewisham (CCL) commissioned us to cater for 100 people for their networking event! It was all hands on deck for our current team of 3 at Kinship Kitchen- Anna-Lou, and kinship carers Sharon and Amanda who have both completed their food safety training through Kinship Hub and have been invaluable nembers of the team ever since. With this catering job, we've been able to not only offer flexible paid work to 2 of our kinship hub carers, but also make enough proceeds to fund 25 grocery packs for 'family of 4' meals for our Kinship Carers Cooking Club. Thank you CCL for your amazing support! If you have an event coming up, please get in contact with Kinship Kitchen to discuss your catering needs: https://linktr.ee/kinshipkitchen

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https://www.kinshipcarershub.com Twitter: @kinshiphub Facebook: @kinshiphubLondon Instagram: @kinship_hub LinkedIn: @kinship-hub Email: info@kinshipcarershub.com Subscribe to our mailing list at: http://eepurl.com/h0aDcz

Kids Kitchen collaboration

We've recently announced that our newest partnership/collaboration! Starting this month, we're working on a special project in collaboration with <u>Kids Kitchen</u> on a project very close to both of our hearts- offering online cooking classes for Kinship Families with children under 5! As part of this collaboration, there will also be cooking classes offered for the general public (check for specific dates in Upcoming Events section)

Thanks to support from the Lottery Fund for both Kids Kitchen and Kinship Carers Hub, these sessions will be offered to families free of charge, but we will need your donations and support to continue, so please consider donating if you can: https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/kinshiphub?utm term=yYzndbEve

Bookings are being taken now at: https://www.kidskitchen.org.uk/online-hub/

Kids♥Kitchen

Cook delicious food together

Kinship Carers Cooking Club

Our Cooking Club continues to grow, but there's still space for more kinship families to join us! We meet virtually via Zoom most Saturdays at 5:30pm. Our next in person meeting will be 4 June in New Cross. You can see here meals that we've made this month. Register at: www.kinshipcarershub.org/contact



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Children Overrepresented Pathfinder Project

Are you a parent/guardian in Newham? Are you from a Black, Asian, Roma and other minority ethnic background?

Do you need any form of support in dealing with the impact of the COVID pandemic?

Do you have any young person dealing with Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES)* related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

If YES, the Pathfinder Project is here to provide access to various support services that can help you and your children deal with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Support services include: Mentoring, Counselling, employability support, bereavement support, career guidance, digital support and engagement in extracurricular activities.

(Full Leaflets are attached to the Newsletter email from Strengthening Families 13/5/22)



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*ACEs include trauma related to significant loss or separation, domestic abuse, poor mental health, neglect, abuse, victim of bullying, behavioural issues, low confidence/self-esteem, digital poverty, poor mental health, lack of a positive role model or at risk of exploitation.

For further information about any form of support needed do not hesitate to call 020 3373 9814 or email pathfinder@newham.gov.uk

www.newham.gov.uk/pathfinder

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NEWHAM'S PATHFINDER PROJECT.



Are you aged 6-25 living in Newham?

Are you from a Black, Asian, Roma and other minority ethnic background dealing with trauma related to the COVID-19

Has the pandemic affected your mental health or school life in any way?

Do you need a safe space to express your feelings or talk with a trusted individual?

Do you need support in dealing with trauma related to any of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) overleaf?

Would you love to express your voice on issues related to the COVID-19 pandemic, racism, inequality and disproportionality?

If YES, the Pathfinder Project is here for YOU.

In collaboration with our partners, we provide access to a range of services.



For any further information on how we can help you. call 020 3373 9814 or email pathfinder@newham.gov.uk

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LCIS School-Age: Family Training and Support for **Autism/Social Communication**

In addition to our school service offer, LCIS provides a range of courses for families of primary and secondary-aged children and young people in Newham who have a diagnosis of autism or social communication difficulties.

SCERTS® Parent/Carer Training

Course dates: Mondays 13th/ 20th/27th June & 4th July 2022 – all four sessions.

Click HERE to reserve a place

Intensive Interaction

Course date: Thurs 23rd June 2022

Click HERE to reserve a place

Core Vocabulary Boards

Course date: Thurs 30th June 2022

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Language, Communication & Interaction Service LCIS@newham.gov.uk 020-3373-3764 or 020-3373-7161



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SCERTS® Parent/Carer Training

This is a four part training course run over four weeks during term time for parents/carers of children with social communication difficulties from Reception to Year 11. The course gives an opportunity for parents/carers to learn more about autism/social communication through SCERTS®, an educational framework used to identify the highest priority needs for support for individuals with ASD to provide the best quality of life outcomes. It is a great opportunity to share experiences and advice with other parents and carers on a similar journey.

Course dates: Mondays 13th/ 20th/27th June & 4th July 2022 – all four sessions. Click HERE to reserve a place

Parent/CarerWorkshops



Intensive Interaction:

For parents/carers to learn more about the Intensive Interaction approach. This is an intervention commonly used in schools to build their child's fundamental communication and interaction skills

Course date: Thurs 23rd June 2022 Click HERE to reserve a place:

Core Vocabulary Boards:

For parents/carers to learn how to use this communication system, which aims to support their child's understanding and use of words to communicate. Course runs

Course date: Thurs 30th June 2022 Click HERE to reserve a place:

Session dates and booking information are also circulated to schools and uploaded to the Newham Local Offer on a termly basis.



Core Vocabulary Boards

For parents of children with social communication needs or diagnosis of Autism in Reception to Year 11

- Parents/carers must be Newham residents or child must attend a Newham school
- 1 parent/carer to register per child (but more than 1 parent/carer can attend on the same link)

Click on the link below to book onto the training.

You will be sent a Zoom link nearer the date.

https://forms.office.com/r/9tiVmrFhm1





Online Training for Parents Core Vocabulary Boards

About this Course:

It will focus on what a Core Vocabulary Board is and why and how to use them at home with your child. There will be opportunities to ask questions about topics covered with the Speech and Language Therapists.

Core Vocabulary Board: CVB is a form of Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC). It is made up of colour-coded core words. Core words are chosen based on the earliest developing words in young children's language and the most frequently used words by adults i.e. the words children hear the most frequently.

This training is appropriate for parents/carers of children and young people where a Core Vocabulary Board (CVB) is being used in school or has been recommended by a professional

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Thursday 30th June 2022 10 am Registration 10.15-11.30 Course (delivered on Zoom)

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Intensive Interaction

For parents of children Reception to Year 11 who have social communication needs or a diagnosis of Autism;

Parents/carers must be Newham residents or children must attend a

Newham school;

1 parent/carer to register per child (but more than 1 parent can attend on the same link).

Click on the link below to book onto the training.

You will be sent the Zoom link nearer the date:

https://forms.office.com/r/XC4kkQjgdQ

Thurs 23rd June 2022

10 am Registration

10.15-11.30 am course delivered via Zoom



Online Training for Parents Intensive Interaction

About this Course:

Intensive Interaction is an approach which involves following your child's lead and facilitating motivating interactions in order to develop the early fundamental skills of communication e.g. joint attention, turn-taking, increased vocalisations and the development of meaningful eye contact.

We will cover what 'Intensive Interaction' is, how it can help your child and how you can use the key strategies at home.

There will be opportunities to ask questions about topics covered with the Speech and Language Therapists/Specialist Teachers delivering the course.

- For parents of children Reception to Year 11 who have social communication needs or a diagnosis of Autism;
- Parents/carers must be Newham residents or children must attend a Newham school:
- 1 parent/carer to register per child (but more than 1 parent can attend on the same link)

Click on the link below to book onto the training.
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https://forms.office.com/r/XC4kkQjgdQ

Thurs 23rd June 2022

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Online SCERTS Training Course for Parents/Carers

Learn about Autism and strategies to support your child's communication and ability to stay focused, calm and engaged.

Training for parents/carers of children who:

☑ Are Reception to Year 11 who have social communication needs or a diagnosis of Autism.

Parents/carers must be Newham residents or children must attend a Newham school.

Social

Communication

Emotional

To book a place parents to complete the following online

form:

Regulation https://forms.office.com/r/V0S2A

Transactional GC22B

Parents will receive a **Zoom link** for

Supports the training sessions on Wednesday

8th June.

Summer 2022

Online SCERTS Training Course for Parents/Carers

Training for parents/carers of children who:

- Are Reception to Year 11 who have social communication needs <u>or</u> a diagnosis of Autism.
- Parents/carers must be Newham residents or children must attend a Newham school.

Social
Communication
Emotional
Regulation
Transactional
Supports

Learn about Autism and strategies to support your child's communication and ability to stay focused, calm and engaged.

Please attend ALL 4 sessions: av 13th June 2022 10-11.3



Monday 13 th June 2022 Monday 20 th June 2022	10-11.30am 10-11.30am
Monday 27 th June 2022	10-11.30am
Monday 4 th July 2022	10-11.30am



Course delivered via online platform Zoom – parents will require internet access.



To **book** a place parents to complete the following online form:

https://forms.office.com/r/V0S2AGC22B

Parents will receive a **Zoom link** for the training sessions on Wednesday 8th June.

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Welcome Newham

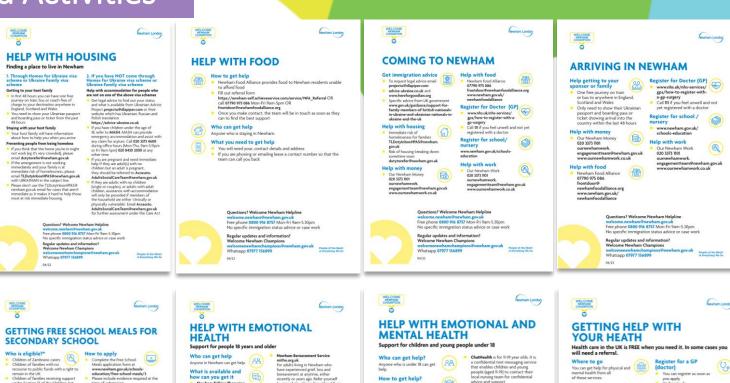
https://www.newham.gov.uk/council/newham-counciloffers-support-ukrainian-population

There is also the **Welcome Newham Helpline** which is for anyone in Newham who is an asylum seeker or refugee family, friends or host. The helpline can provide free advice, support and answer questions on how to get help for health, money, food, jobs and housing.

Email: Welcome.Newham@newham.gov.uk

Free phone: **0800 916 8757** Monday – Friday 10am-5pm We have also created an information group so people can receive regular information update can join the information group by emailing

WelcomeNewhamChampions@newham.gov.uk





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office) and ask for a registration for

Transitional practice Newham, 30 Church Road,

info.trathen@nhs.net Citizens Advice: 020 3855 4472

lealthwatch: 020 3866 2969 www.nbs.uk/nbs-services/ens/bc

Who can help:

E12 6AQ 020 7909 4990



New Cook and Play programme to help families across Newham to be healthier

Nutrition Kitchen is helping Newham Council to deliver a new 10-week cooking and play programme in schools and children centres around the borough. Families will cook and eat tasty meals, learn healthy recipes, play activities and receive information on many topics such as: cooking on a budget, label reading and healthy swaps.

If you, or a family you know would like to join the programme, please contact Sandeep Floré at Nutrition Kitchen on Sandeep@nutrition-kitchen.co.uk or call 07526 580 621. All primary schools in Newham are also encouraged to get in touch with Sandeep Floré if they would like to host a Cook and Play programme.



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ELOP LGBTQ+ Meet Up Groups and Youth Out East

If a young person/adult wants to get involved with any of the above they can email youth@elop.org or call 07908 553744.

They can self-refer or you can refer on their behalf. If you want to follow us on Social Media and share any posts that may be useful for your young people that would be much appreciated.

Our twitter handle is:

https://twitter.com/ELOP_LGBT and Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/elop.LGBT
Info and sign up by emailing: youth@elop.org LGBTQ+ 18-25s meet up group

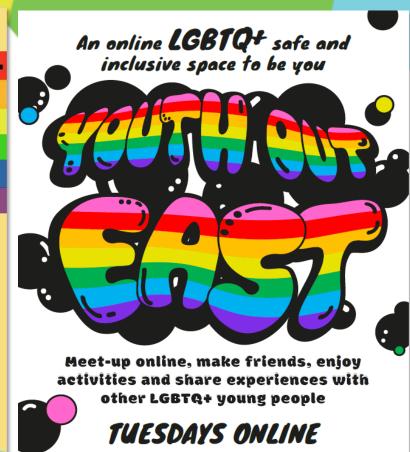
online meet-up ~ twice a month every 2nd & 4th Monday

7-8:30pm

A welcoming, relaxed & inclusive space to meet with others, enjoy activities & talk all things LGBTQ+



INFO & SIGN UP EMAIL youth@elop.org



CONTACT >> YOUTH@ELOP.ORG

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5-6.30pm for 12-

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7-8.30pm for 15-





Romanian	BSL	Punjabi
Supporting Parents	Supporting Parents	Keeping Safe Online
Supporting Children	Supporting Children	Immigration Support
Supporting Teenagers	Supporting Teenagers	Keeping Safe in the Community
Supporting Children and YP with Additional Needs	Supporting Children and YP with Additional Needs	Supporting Children and YP with Additional Needs

Full Playlist:

https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLfBuvuA u MZXIS5U9HlxG0QpjwtEJ98zQ



Taking Care of Yourself **During the Pandemic**



Keeping Children and Young People Safe in the Community

Taking Care of Taking Care of Yourself Yourself Immigration Support Immigration Support Keeping Safe in the Keeping Safe in the Community Community Keeping Safe Online Keeping Safe Online

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Headstart Befriending



A bespoke parenting befriending service for parents/carers of children and young people aged 0-16 years who need a space to talk and think through the ways that they are coping in the circumstances and practical suggestions to manage challenges such as their young person's behaviour, anxiety and worries, family relationship challenges and a young person's screen time.

To request a service for you or someone you know, please email strengthening.families@newham.gov.uk.



Your Time (Befriending for young people)

Your Time was set up in response to Covid as we were concerned about young people's wellbeing. It is available for children or young people aged 10-18 (up to 25 for SEND and Care Leavers). It is a safe and friendly one-to-one space to chat about the things that matter to them most with a trusted professional. The weekly contact will promote self-care tips and tools as they work together through the 'All About Me' wellbeing journal, which will be sent in a welcome pack.

Please see the link for an online referral form:

https://newham-

self.achieveservice.com/service/COVID19 Youth Befriending Referrals



Safe Connections Suicide Prevention Hub and Helpline



Safe Connections Suicide Prevention Helpline: 0300 561 0115 safeconnections@mithn.org.uk

Other helplines:

Samaritans: 116 123 - jo@samaritans.org
Suicide Prevention Helpline:
0800 689 5652





Thoughts of suicide can be frightening and confusing. The Community Hub provides you with a safe space to talk and someone to guide you to support services in your local area.



If you are concerned you can speak to someone or you can access the **Safe Connections App** using the QR code.



0300 561 0115



Mental Health and Wellbeing Support Local and National Support Available

CAMHS Wellbeing Workshops

Need someone to listen? Feeling overwhelmed?

You can **text SHOUT to 85258** for free, any time, to speak to a trained volunteer. They will listen and guide you to a calm and safe place.

Visit http://giveusashout.org for more info

Resources: https://giveusashout.org/get-help/resources/

85258



A-Z of Helplines can also be found here: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/stressanxiety-depression/mental-healthhelplines/

Newham Talking Therapies

Community Psychological & Employment Support

https://newhamtalkingtherapies.nhs.uk/

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Samaritans Phone: 116 123 Email: jo@samaritans.org Website: www.samaritans.org.uk Confidential support for people experiencing feelings of distress or despair. (free 24-hour helpline)

PAPYRUS Phone: HOPElineUK 0800 068 4141 Website: www.papyrus-uk.org Young suicide prevention society. (9am to midnight, every day of the year)

CALM Phone: 0800 58 58 58 (daily, 5pm to midnight) Website: www.thecalmzone.net Campaign Against Living Miserably helpline and webchat

Men's Health Forum Website: www.menshealthforum.org.uk 24/7 stress support for men by text, chat and email.

Mental Health, Wellbeing and Support in Newham Webinar

More on Wellbeing Support in this Newsletter on Pages 13 and 14 (HeadStart YourTime Befriending and Safe Connections Suicide Prevention Hub and Helpline)



AAA Zone Wellbeing and Multi Sports Group

To find out more: please contact Paula Blake on 07432 024002 / 0207 5114253 or by email paula@theaaazone.com

What's On - Welcome to Ambition Aspire Achieve (theaaazone.com)

For further details contact Paula

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PRE-BOOKING ESSENTIAL









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