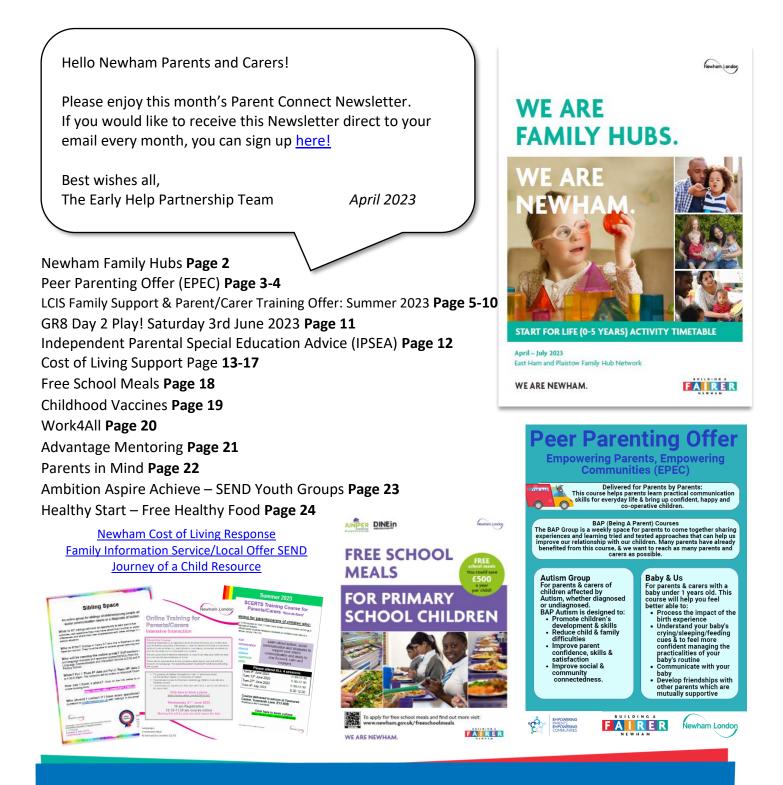


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A NEWSLETTER CONTAINING UP TO DATE INFORMATION AND SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR NEWHAM FAMILIES



Newham Family Hubs

Family Hubs are coming to Newham to help support on a range of issues from mental health to parenting. Alongside a number of local authorities across the country, we've been chosen to trial a new type of family support centre – known as a **Family Hub**.

Family Hubs are designed to offer early support to families and young children, building upon the existing Early Help offer, and acting as a 'one stop shop' for advice and guidance. The concept is not a prescribed range of services – it is an approach that ensures services and professional work better together to provide families with easier access to services in the local community. It may include, for example, health services (antenatal, maternity, health visitor, school nurses); early years and childcare and education, youth services, parenting support, safety and relationship support.

The first pilot hub launched in April in the East Ham and Plaistow locality

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and offers local families a range of support and guidance. A number of hubs will be launched over the next two years and we are keen to hear what would work for you.

More Information:

Newham Families Advice and Support | Newham Family Hub Network

Activity Timetable:

Pdf (browsealoud.com)

Peer Parenting Offer (EPEC)

Peer Parenting Offer Empowering Parents, Empowering Communities (EPEC)



Delivered for Parents by Parents: course helps parents learn practical communi

This course helps parents learn practical communication skills for everyday life & bring up confident, happy and co-operative children.

BAP (Being A Parent) Courses

The BAP Group is a weekly space for parents to come together sharing experiences and learning tried and tested approaches that can help us improve our relationship with our children. Many parents have already benefited from this course, & we want to reach as many parents and carers as possible.

Autism Group For parents & carers of children affected by Autism, whether diagnosed or undiagnosed.

BAP Autism is designed to:

- Promote children's development & skills
- Reduce child & family difficulties
- Improve parent confidence, skills & satisfaction
- Improve social & community connectedness.

Baby & Us

For parents & carers with a baby under 1 years old. This course will help you feel better able to:

- Process the impact of the birth experience
- Understand your baby's crying/sleeping/feeding cues & to feel more confident managing the practicalities of your baby's routine
- Communicate with your baby
- Develop friendships with other parents which are mutually supportive











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Peer Parenting Offer (EPEC)



LCIS Family Support and parent/carer training offer: Summer 2023

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



LCIS: Family Training & Support for Autism/Social Communication Summer 2023

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. Our training is divided into Early Years: for parents/carers of children in nursery & School Aged: for parents/carers of children in Reception-Year 11.



A series of 4 online sessions for parents and friends / family members to understand their child's needs and find out strategies to support their child's communication and development on Thursdays from 1:00 – 2:00pm and Mondays 7-8pm (Term time only)

- Session 1: Developing Communication
- Session 2: How children with social communication needs think & learn
- Session 3: Understanding sensory needs and supporting emotional regulation

Session 4: Problem solving; further support in the community; next steps

For more information about LCIS Early Years courses and to book a place please email: Kari Askev@newham.gov.uk or Androulla.Kyriacou@newham.gov.uk

Parents can also attend Little Champions SEND Stay and play Sessions in Children's Centres with Family Support workers, LCIS Staff and Area SENCO team for further support and advice.

Location	Date and time	Contact details
Edith Kerrison Children's Centre, Sophia Road, E16 3PB	Every Monday 10am - 11:15am	Email: <u>Cheryl.cailender@edithkerrison.newham.sch.uk</u> Telephone: 0207 473 2761
Altmore Children's Centre, Altmore Avenue, E6 2BX	Every Tuesday 1.30pm-2.30pm	Email: <u>childrenscentre@alfederation.com</u> Telephone: 0208 8472 3555
Beckton and Royal Docks Children's Centre, Toligate Road, E6 5UP	Every Wednesday 10:30am – 11:30am	Email: <u>info@becktonandrovaldockschildrenscentre.org.uk</u> Telephone: 0207 474 0654
St. Stephen's Children's Centre, Whitfield Road, E6 1AS	Every Thursday 9:30am- 10:30am	Email: <u>wendy.camobeli@st-stephens.newham.sch.uk</u> Telephone: 0208 472 7575

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SCHOOL-AGED Training for parents/carers of children in Reception-Year 11



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 autistic individuals 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: Tuesdays 9.30-12.30 on 6th June, 13th June, 27th June, 4th July Venue: Tunmarsh Centre, Tunmarsh Lane E13 9NB Click here to book: https://forma.office.com/wCgwSDB8dU

Parent/Carer Workshops

Intensive Interaction:

For parents/carers to learn more about Intensive Interaction – an intervention commonly used in schools to build children's fundamental communication and interaction skills.

Course date: Weds 21st June 10-11.30am Venue: online Click here to book: https://forms.office.com/e/jE9R3vCbjz

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 date: Thurs 29th June 10-11.30am Venue: online Click here to book: https://forms.office.com/e/7xJDLuT378



An online group (2 sessions) for siblings in Year 3 to Year 7, who have a brother or sister with social communication needs or a diagnosis of Autism.

Take part in fun activities, ask questions you may have about your sibling's differences and share your own experiences with other siblings in a similar situation.

Language, Communication and Interaction Service (LCIS) and Rosetta Primary School.

Dates: Thurs 8th & 15th June 4.30-5.30pm Venue: online Click here to book: https://forms.ofrice.com/e/HrPLPNSBJr

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

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SCERTS Training Course for Parents/Carers *face-to-face! Training for parents/carers of children who:					
 Are in 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 YR-Y11. 					
Social Communication Emotional Regulation Transactional Supports		Learn about autism, social communication and strategies to support your child's communication and ability to stay focused, calm and engaged.			
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Online Training for Parents/Carers 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/Practitioners 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 <u>or</u> children must attend a Newham school;
- 1 parent/carer to register per child (but more than 1 parent can attend on the same link).

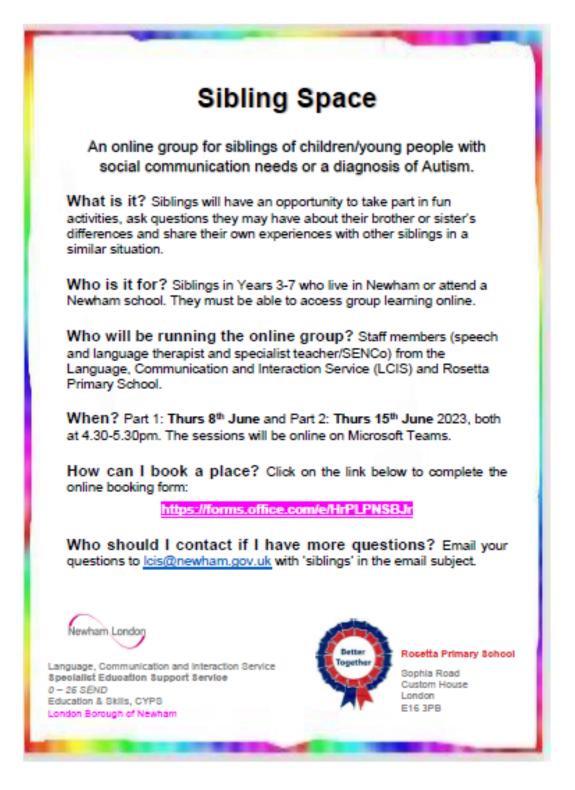
Click here to book a place: https://forms.office.com/e/iE9R3vCbiZ

Wednesday 21st June 2023 10 am Registration 10.15-11.30 am course online Meeting link will be sent via email nearer the date

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Click here to book a place: https://forms.office.com/e/jE9R3vCbjZ



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Who should I contact if I have more questions? Email your questions to <u>lcis@newham.gov.uk</u> with 'siblings' in the email subject.





Online Training for Parents/Carers: Core Vocabulary Boards (CVB)

About this Course:

You will learn 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 and aims to support the understanding and use of words to communicate.

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

- For parents of children with social communication needs or a diagnosis of Autism in Reception to Year 11
- Parents/carers must be Newham residents or child must attend a Newham school
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GR8 Day 2 Play! Saturday 3rd June 2023





Click on the link for more information about the day and to book places <u>https://tinyurl.com/GR8DAY2PLAYJUNE</u>



Book your place!

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/gr8-day-2-play-youth-send-tasteractivity-tickets-517772490457

Independent Parental Special Education Advice (IPSEA)



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Who we are							
We offer free and independent legally based							
information, advice and support to help get the right education for children and young people with special							
educational needs and disabilities (SEND) in England							
	Read more						

Provides legally based advice to help families get the right education for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

You can book an appointment with their <u>Advice Line</u> or <u>Tribunal Helpline</u>.

https://www.ipsea.org.uk/

Cost of Living

https://www.newham.gov.uk/council/cost-living-response Help Is Here Map

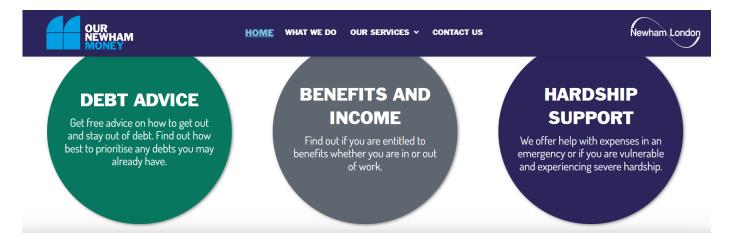


costoflivingresponse@newham.gov.uk www.newham.gov.uk/council/cost-living-response

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Cost of Living – Our Newham Money



www.ournewhammoney.co.uk

CONTACT US

Our Newham Money 112 - 118 The Grove London E15 1NS

Monday to Friday 9am-5pm

Tel: 020 8430 2041

Email: ournewhammoney@newham.gov.uk

Cost of Living Support in Newham

ENERGY USAGE

Does your home feel cold and damp? Are your energy bills too high?

GET FREE HELP NOW

Keep your home warm by getting free help and advice on your gas and electricity bills. Contact Our Newham Money for urgent help 020

8430 2041.

For information on support available visit: www.newham.gov.uk/public-healthsafety/energy/2



SIGNS YOUR HOME IS NOT WARM ENOUGH

• The home feels cold, damp or draughty

Wearing lots of clothes indoors

Staying in bed to keep warm

Asthma or a persistent cough

High energy bills or in fuel debt

Save energy and keep warm by getting help and advice

Our Newham Money

Energy vouchers are provided to applicants with prepayment meters without electricity/ gas or at risk of having their fuel supply cut. Tel: 020 8430 2041

East End Citizens Advice

Call 020 8525 6379. Lines are open at the following times: Tuesdays and Wednesdays: 10am-1pm

GLA Warmer Homes Programme Get free advice and support if you are having trouble paying to keep your house

warm. Services include: • Telephone advice and home energy

- visits • Help with draft excluders and similar in
- house support Support with energy bills and debts
- Grants of up to £20,000 per household to improve insulation (visit

/ww.london.gov.uk/warmerhomes for eligibility criteria and to apply)

Call 0300 555 0195 or contact shine@ islington.gov.uk

Other places to get help

Keep Warm Keep Well Scheme (ECO)

Newham Council is working with E.ON and J&J Crump on its Keep Warm Keep Well scheme to help eligible residents benefit from a range of energy-saving measures in their homes. Call J&J Crump and Son on 0800 783 3127 or visit www.jjcrump.com

Water Bills

WaterSure and WaterHelp can help make water bills lower, particularly for people who have lower income or need water for health conditions.

Find out more: www.thameswater.co.uk/help/account-and-billing/financial-support/waterhelp

For any physical and/ or mental health concerns call 111 for information on where to get help or talk to your local pharmacist

Warm Home Discount Scheme

Residents could get £140 off your electricity bill for winter under the Warm Home Discount Scheme. Find out more at ww.gov.uk/the-warm-home-discount scheme

Winter Fuel Payments

Residents can get between £100 and £300 tax-free to help pay your heating bills if you were born on or before 5 July 1953. Find out more at www.gov.uk/winterfuel-navment

GLA Cost of Living Hub www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/ communities/help-cost-living

Translated leaflets www.nea.org.uk/get-help/advice-resources/?tag=english





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1. Turn off standby appliances

- Install a smart thermostat
- Turn down your thermostat Buy efficient appliances
- Install a new boiler 5.
- Wash clothes in at low temperatures
- Be smarter about water
- Invest in double glazing windows
- Draught-proof your property
 Insulate the roof
- Monitor your usage
 Switch to LED Light bulb

For information on support available visit: www.newham.gov.uk/ public-health-safety/ nergy/2





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Cost of Living Support in Newham

STRUGGLING FINANCIALLY?

If you're struggling to meet your energy and food costs or facing an emergency you can apply to Our Newham Money Emergency Support, our local welfare scheme.





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If you're struggling to meet your energy and food costs or facing an emergency you can apply to Our Newham Money Emergency Support, our local welfare scheme.



You need to be:

living in Newham

 receiving a means tested benefit such as Universal Credit, Income Related Employment and Support Allowance, Pension Credit or Housing Benefit.



In addition, one of the following must apply to you:

- you're affected by the current cost of living
- there's been a significant change in circumstances or a life changing event causing hardship
- have taken all reasonable steps to maximise your income.

Even if you don't meet the criteria, we might still be able to help you. Please apply and we will consider your application.

For further information and to apply: www.ournewhammoney.co.uk/emergency-support



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Cost of Living Support Package - Help for Households

Millions of people on means-tested benefits will receive the first of two cost of living instalments totalling £650 from 14 July 2022, as part of a £37 billion government package to help families with cost of living pressures.

The first £326 instalment for qualifying lowincome households in England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland by their usual payment method from 14 July 2022, continuing to the end of the month. For those eligible, the rest will follow in a second instalment in the autumn. People receiving tax credits and no other eligible benefits will receive their first payment from HMRC in autumn and the second in winter.

In total, millions of vulnerable households will receive at least £1,200 from the Government this year to help cover rising costs. There are specific payments for those on means tested benefits, for pensioners, those on disability benefits and to help people with energy bills.

Check eligibility here: <u>Cost of Living</u> Payment - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)



There is also helpful information about further support available on the **Cost Of Living campaign website**.





Free School Meals

We would be very grateful if you could please help us spread the word to families in Newham that their children can eat a FREE, nutritious lunch every school day which will save them £500 a year per child – now even more important due to the cost of living crisis.

Attached is a poster and leaflet on the initiative and an article below to share the news with families in newsletters etc. If you would like further information please let us know.

www.newham.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals





To apply for free school meals and find out more visit: www.newham.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

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Childhood Vaccines

Since vaccines were introduced in the UK, diseases like smallpox, polio and tetanus that used to kill or disable millions of people are either gone or seen very rarely. However, if people stop having vaccines, it's possible for infectious diseases to quickly spread again.

There are a number of vaccines that children should have. You can find a list of them below and on the NHS website. It is important that vaccines are given on time for the best protection.

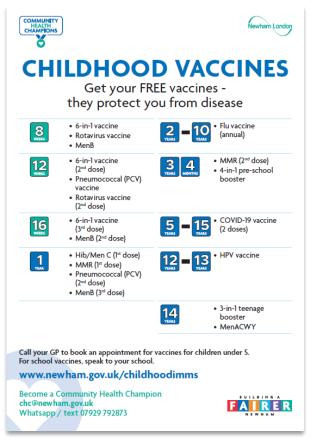
All recommended vaccines are available for free from the NHS.

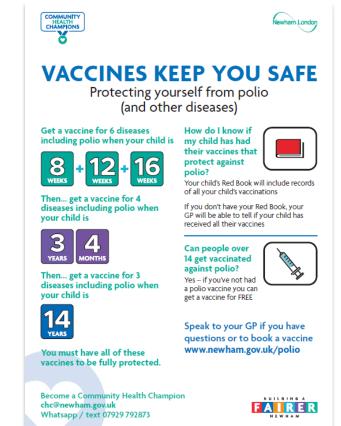
If you or your child missed any recommended vaccine, you can still contact your GP to catch up.

Vaccine Information from Newham Public Health Service https://www.newham.gov.uk/childhoodimms

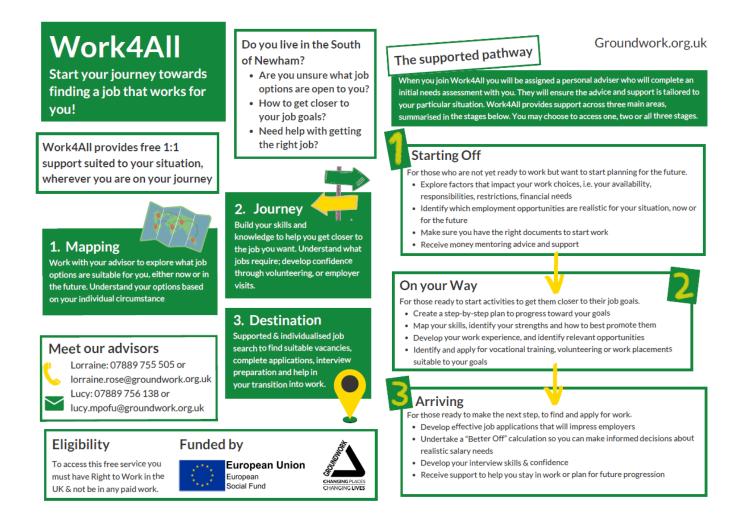
https://www.newham.gov.uk/polio

Frequently Asked Questions – Childhood Immunisations – Newham Council





Work 4 All



Meet our advisors

Lorraine: 07889 755 505 or lorraine.rose@groundwork.org.uk Lucy: 07889 756 138 or lucy.mpofu@groundwork.org.uk



Advantage is a free one-to-one wellbeing mentoring programme for 14-21 year olds, delivered at your local football club.

We're here to help you make the most of your opportunities

How does it work?

Our mentoring sessions are led by you and what you want to talk about. You have a 1-hour individual session with your mentor once per week. You can stay in the programme for up to six months, or less than that if you feel you're ready to move on – it's up to you!

The mentoring session is an informal space to chat and connect. You might have specific goals that you want support with, or you might want to take some time to get to know your mentor and figure out some goals together. Your goals can be personal, educational, social, employment, or wellbeing related, or maybe something else! It's completely up to you.

https://www.advantagementoring.co.uk/

Parents in Mind

Are you a pregnant or new mum and feeling low, anxious, alone?

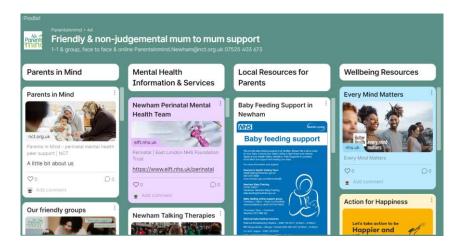
A friendly, non-judgemental space to talk, seek information and gain support. Offering group and 1 to 1 peer support walk and talk and by telephone or online – Support is also available in different languages.

For more information please contact: 07525 403673 or email parentsinmind.newham@nct.org.uk





Visit our Padlet! <u>Friendly & non-judgemental mum to mum support (padlet.com)</u>



Ambition Aspire Achieve SEND YOUTH CLUBS

SEND Youth:

This is our Youth club set in arc in the park and the age range is 9-25 years old. A staff ratio of 1 staff to 3 young people is offered within this group and we cannot take children that need 121 support. We offer sports, arts and crafts and gardening during our sessions. The sessions are great for young people to build upon their social skills and make new friends. This runs as an after school club and throughout the school holidays too.

Positive Transitions:

This is our 16-25 year old group for young people with additional needs. Works well for school leavers or those attending college that are not in full time education. The group is based around life and social skills and have broken the sessions into three categories, life skills, art and sports so the young person can choose a group that suits them best. We also have trips and work experience planned for this group. This is a 1 to 3 ratio and is during the day, term time only. It is another great way to make new friends, build up social skills and learn new skills.



Tuesday 1.30pm – 3.30pm Multi sports and exercise

Thursday 2-4pm Creative sessions and workshops

for young people

At the Terence Brown Arc in the Park, Bethell Road E16 4JT

Booking Is Essential, Contact: Leo on 07904 882 104 / leo@theaaazone.com Web: www.theaaazone.com Twitter: @theaaazone Facebook: @AmbitionAspireAchieve/

Ambition Aspire Achieve SEND YOUTH CLUBS

FREE for 9 to 25 years olds Staff ratio - 1 staff member to 3 young people -Offering A Safe, Fun, Social, Interactive Environment

Weekly Timetable:

Mondays 4:30pm to 7:30pm: Terence Brown Arc, Hermit Road Park, Bethell Ave E16 4JT Mondays 4pm to 5 Mondays 4pm to 6pm: Glyn Hopkin Abbey Hub, 6 Gay Road, Stratford EI5 2RN Wednesdays 4:30pm to 6:30pm: St Luke's Community Centre, 85 Tarling Road, Canning Town E16 1HN Thursdays 4:30pm to 7:30pm: Terence Brown Arc, Hermit Road Park, Bethell Avenue E16 4JT

Activities Include: A Variety Of Sports, Arts And Crafts, Movies, Music, Keep Fit Sessions, Table Tennis, Games And MUCH MUCH MORE!



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Additional information

At Ambilion Aspire Acheive our main priority is to keep children and staff safe, whilst providing fun and engaging activites. Following guidance around COVID 19, we have introduced a number of measures to ensure that our clubs and activites are delivered safely at all times

Safety measures will include

Pre-booking introduced for all sessions with places allocated on a first come, first served basis

Additional controls in place to access Arc in the Park, including non-invasive temperature cl

Reduced aroup sizes on site at any one time

Extra hygiene and cleaning measures, before, during and after all sessions

Maintaining social distancing measures

Healthy Start FREE HEALTHY FOOD

FREE HEALTHY FOOD

Pregnant? Children under 4?

You may be able to get money to help you buy fruit, vegetables and milk. Apply online by visiting <u>www.healthystart.nhs.uk</u> If you need help applying, speak to your local Children's Centre, library, midwife or health visitor.

Applying is easy and DOES NOT affect your other financial benefits.



FREE VITAMINS!

In Newham, ALL pregnant women, new mums and children under 4 years old are entitled to free vitamins. You can collect a bottle from your midwife or local children centre.

To find your nearest vitamin distribution site, visit www.newham.gov.uk/healthystart

