

25TH SEPTEMBER 2026

AUTUMN 2



NGPS NEWS

Northgate Primary School Newsletter

Its a new high - 94.5% Thank you!

We are delighted to share that our school attendance has reached 94.5% – the highest it has ever been!

Thank you to all our parents and carers for everything you are doing to support your children in attending school regularly and on time.

Every day counts, and being in school gives children the best opportunity to learn, make progress, build friendships and develop confidence. Your support makes a real difference to their learning and success.

We are incredibly proud of this achievement and grateful for your continued partnership. Let's keep it up and continue to make every school day count!

Everyone deserves a relaxing weekend after this busy week. Have fun!

**Warm regards,
Amanda Harrison**



Term dates: 1st Sept - 18th Dec

Half term: 26th Oct - 30th Oct

Inset days: 1st Sept & 23rd Oct

Early finish: 1.30pm 18th Dec



DIARY DATES

Monday 28th September 2026

**Y5/6 BOYS FOOTBALL LEAGUE @ K2
COLLECTIONS FOR HARVEST
FESTIVAL**

Tuesday 29th September

FLU VACCINATIONS

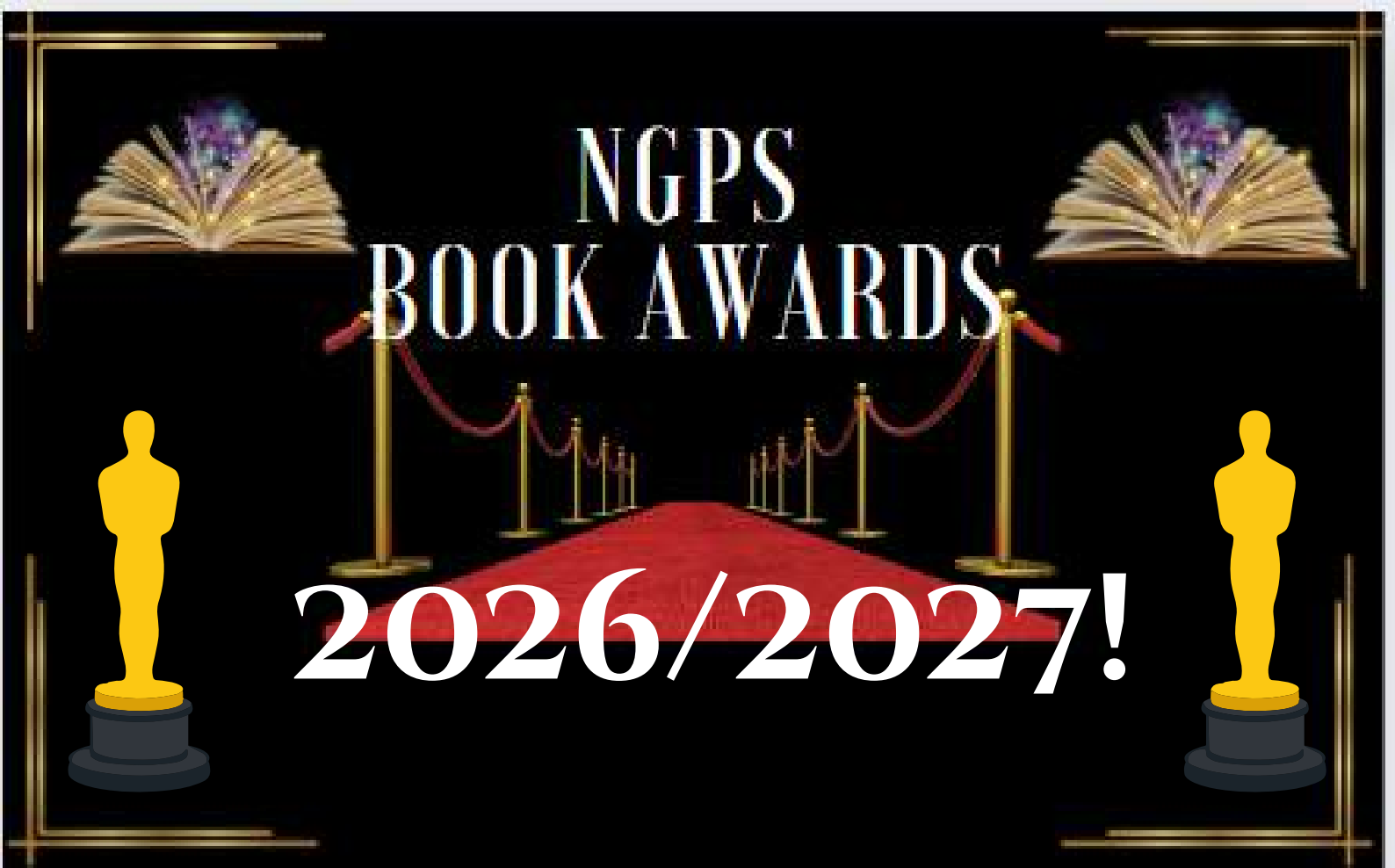
Wednesday 30th September

Thursday 1st October

Y3/4 RUGBY FESTIVAL @ CRFC

Friday 2nd October

**HARVEST FESTIVAL 2026
ASH CLASS SWIMMING**

A graphic for the NGPS Book Awards. At the top, the text 'NGPS BOOK AWARDS' is written in a stylized, outlined font. Below it, a red carpet leads towards the text '2026/2027!' which is in a large, white, outlined font. On either side of the carpet are yellow Oscar statues on grey pedestals. In the background, there are open books with glowing pages and stanchions with red ropes.

NGPS BOOK AWARDS

2026/2027!

We are excited to announce we have now launched the 2026-7 NGPS Book Awards!

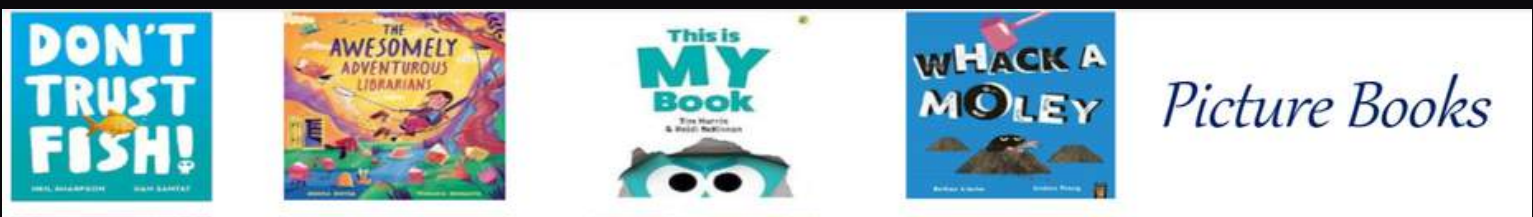
The books are now in the KS2 classrooms and the children are already enjoying reading all of the different books.

After half-term we will start choosing children to make trailers on the iPads and to write letters to the Book Awards authors. So make sure your child is reading lots of the books to have a chance to get chosen!



All of the children in KS1 and KS2 will be reading and discussing the chosen books below, which include Picture Books, Short Chapter Books and Long Chapter Books.

At the end of the year the children will be invited to another Oscar-style ceremony to find out the winning books and to receive their awards.



Y6 Junior Citizen @ The Hawth

Year 6 pupils attended Junior Citizen at The Hawth today. The trip included taking part in a variety of workshops to learn about Rail Safety, Fire Safety, Money Laundering, Criminal Exploitation, Recycling and Food Waste and many more. The sessions provided pupils with valuable knowledge and practical advice, helping them to understand how they can make safe, responsible and informed choices and become conscientious members of society.





NORTHGATE ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ AWARDS

Last weeks winners are...
Y3/4



Aicha, Aidan, Maisie, Obaidullah, Kevin, Michael,
Bhavan, Mathias and Thanvia



NORTHGATE ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ AWARDS



This weeks winners are...
Y3/4



Athena, Jason, Julian, Zoe, Izabela, Seb, Abeer, Maaz,
Ruth, Aanvi and Harley



NORTHGATE ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ AWARDS

Last weeks winners are...
Y5



Ryan, Bianca, Amber, Kyson, Harshini, Zachary



NORTHGATE AWARDS

Last weeks winners are...
Y6



Matheen, Vikash, Ollie, Noah, Lota, Theo



NORTHGATE ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ AWARDS

This weeks winners are...
Y5



Rory, Muneera, Aleena, Jenson, Reggie, Alyassa



NORTHGATE ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ AWARDS

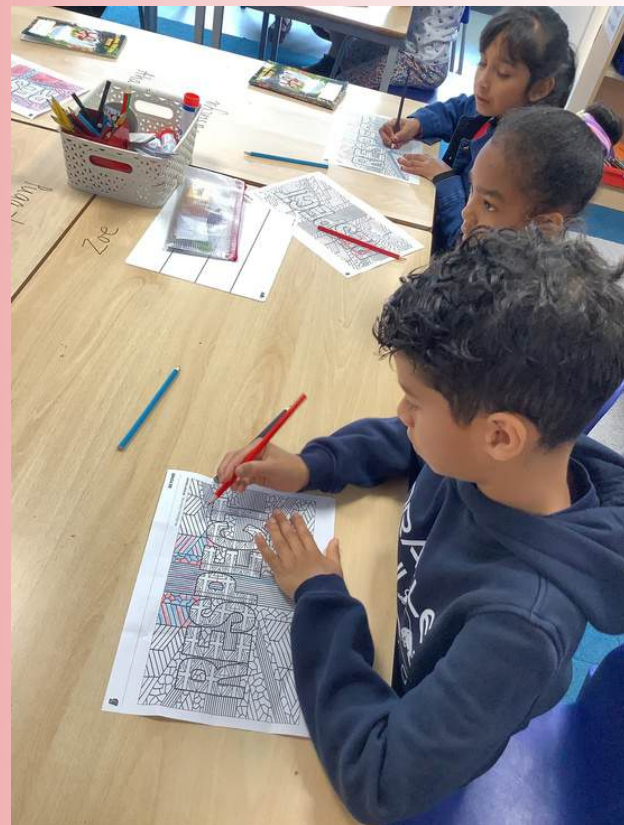
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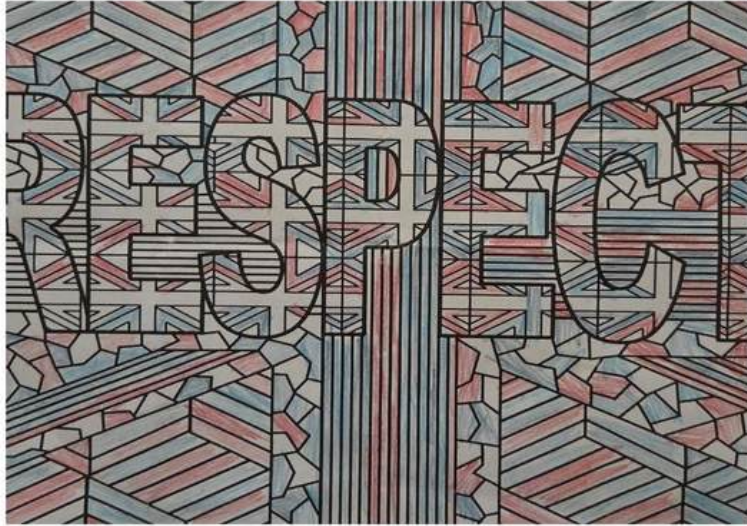


Sara, Tiffany, Harper, Sharanya, Adhvik, Kiyaan



Democracy Day Friday 25th September





On Friday 25th September, we held a Democracy Day. Children learnt about democracy and British Values.

Children in KS2 also got to vote for various roles in their classrooms including Eco Council, School Council and Learning Ambassadors.



ASH CLASS SWIMMING





**HARVEST
FESTIVAL**



**CRAWLEY
OPEN HOUSE**



Harvest Festival 2026!

Friday 2nd October

We will be collecting donations for Crawley Open House the **week commencing 28th September** for our Harvest Festival 2026!

Please see below for the items Crawley Open House are in desperate need of – if you can donate even one item off this list we know how grateful they are each year to help support homelessness, unemployment and other social exclusion. Crawley Open House also have an Amazon wishlist if you would like to purchase from [this list](#).

The children will then have a Harvest Festival Celebration on Friday 2nd October!

URGENT ITEMS NEEDED:

Shampoo

Shower Gel

Toothpaste & Toothbrushes

Canned Foods

For a full breakdown list please see the flyer below

HARVEST 2026



Why Do We Need Your Help?

The Crawley Foodbank Partnership is run by Crawley Open House and The Easter Team and we use food in 2 ways. **We distribute emergency food parcels every day and serve 3 meals a day, 365 days a year via our hostel kitchen – that's more than 20,000 meals a year.** We can only do this because people donate most of the food we give out. If you can help, these are the things we need.

- Tinned meat and fish
- Tinned potatoes and vegetables
- Pasta, rice and instant noodles
- Jars of cooking sauce and pasta sauce
- Tea and coffee
- Soup
- Long-life milk
- Sugar
- Tins of beans and spaghetti
- Biscuits, chocolate and sweets
- Custard and rice pudding
- Jam, marmalade and honey
- Small bottles of water
- Deodorants
- New socks and underwear for men and women
- Shampoo and shower gels
- Dog food and treats

For more information call us at **01293 447702** or visit our website

<https://www.crawleyopenhouse.co.uk/>



Secondary school's Open days

ICC - Thursday
1st October from 3:30pm to 7:00pm

Hazelwick - Thursday 17th September 2026 3:40pm
to 5.15pm

Millais - Thursday 8th October 5:30pm to 7:30pm

Holy Trinity - Tuesday 22nd September 2026 from
3:30pm to 6:15pm

Thomas Bennett - Thursday 24th September 2026
from 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Oriel - Wednesday 23rd September from 6:00pm to
8:30pm

St Wilfrid's - *Thursday 8th October 2026 6:00pm to
8:15pm*

The Gatwick school - 18th September 3.10pm to
3.40pm

RECYCLE

GIVE ITEMS A NEW LIFE



Clothing



School uniform



Hats



Scarves



Gloves



Handbags



Jewellery



Belts



Soft toys



Bed linen



Paired shoes



PLEASE DONATE
ALL ITEMS
MUST BE IN A
TIED PLASTIC BAG



Located in the school grounds, near the bike shelter, Barnfield Road entrance!





Autumn Term Diary Dates 2026

September 2026

28th - Collecting Harvest Festival donations this week

29th - Flu Immunisations YR-Y6

October 2026

2nd - Harvest Festival

6th - Y5 and Y6 Aim High Writing Day

12th + 13th School Photos (including siblings)

23rd - Inset Day

26th - 30th October half term

November 2026

17th - Glyndebourne Trip

17th - Parents Meetings from 3.40pm

17th - New Entrants Open Day event 10am

19th - Parents Meetings from 3.40pm

20th - Children in Need

26th - New Entrants Open Day event 2pm

December 2026

7th - Glyndebourne Concert

8th - Y1 and Y2 Dress Performance 2pm

18th - School finish 1.30pm



Family Learning

Family Learning offers fun, practical, and engaging opportunities for parents, guardians, and grandparents to learn new skills, build confidence, and spend quality time together.

Our courses are designed to support families in a variety of ways. Some sessions are enjoyed alongside your child, while others are adult-only, giving you the chance to focus on your own learning and development.

Choose from a range of in-person and online courses, making it easy to find something that fits your family and schedule.

Some of our upcoming courses include:

Mini Movers

Nature Explorers

Managing Screen time

Supporting Your Anxious Child

And much more!

Find out what else we have on offer and discover what is happening in your area by scanning the QR code.



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FOR LIFE**



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OCTOBER MULTI-SPORTS CAMP

JOIN US AT THREE BRIDGES PRIMARY
SCHOOL (UPPER SITE) FOR 2 FUN-FILLED
DAYS OF SPORTS!

FUN • ACTIVE • INCLUSIVE
INSPIRING A LIFELONG PASSION FOR BEING ACTIVE

26TH & 27TH OCTOBER

08:45 - 15:15

AGES 5-11

(RECEPTION - YEAR 6)

BOOK A SPACE



**£25 PER
DAY**

**10% OFF
UNTIL 30TH
SEPT**





CRAWLEY

PRIMARY · RECEPTION TO YEAR 6

GRASSROOTS SESSIONS



BABY BALLERS AGES 3-9

Mon 5:00-6:00pm	Holy Trinity School (Gym)	RH11 8JE	Year 3 & 4 Mixed
Tue 5:00-5:35pm	The Mill Primary	RH11 OEL	Pre-School & Reception
Tue 5:35-6:30pm	The Mill Primary	RH11 OEL	Year 1 & 2 Mixed
Sat 9:00-9:40am	The Mill Primary	RH11 OEL	Pre-School & Reception
Sat 9:00-9:45am	Holy Trinity School (Main Sports Hall)	RH11 8JE	Reception & Year 1
Sat 9:00-10:00am	Holy Trinity School (Gym)	RH11 8JE	Year 1 & 2 Open
Sat 10:00-11:00am	Holy Trinity School (Gym)	RH11 8JE	Year 3 Mixed
Sat 11:00am-12:00pm	Holy Trinity School (Gym)	RH11 8JE	Year 4 Mixed

GRASSROOTS AGES 9-11

Mon 6:00-7:00pm	Holy Trinity School (Gym)	RH11 8JE	Year 5 & 6 Mixed
Sat 10:00-11:15am	The Mill Primary Academy	RH11 OEL	Year 5 & 6 Mixed

ALL GIRLS

Mon 5:00-6:00pm	Hazelwick School	RH10 1SX	Year 2 & 3
Mon 6:00-7:00pm	Hazelwick School	RH10 1SX	Year 4 & 5

Year 6 girls can also join U12 Girls, Mon 5:00-6:15pm at St Wilfrid's School.

FIRST SESSION FREE

Book your free trial at stormbasketballclub.com/grassroots-sessions

karl@stormbasketballclub.com

Scan Me 😊



Open to
all abilities

Boys & girls
welcome

Open to
Years 6, 7 & 8

Be a name,
not a
number.

A photograph of a male coach in a blue and black kit interacting with a group of children in a gymnasium. The children are wearing white and yellow kits and holding handballs.

ST FRANCIS RFC JUNIORS

Sundays from 10am, with your first session free. 😊

📍 Southgate Park, Crawley, RH10 6HG

✉️ hello@stfrancisrfc.co.uk

☎️ 07732 471127



Play tennis at Crawley Parks Tennis this autumn

Exclusive
offer for you

This autumn, why not hit the courts at Maidenbower, Southgate, and West Green Park? It's the perfect way to stay active and have fun!

An annual household season ticket covering all courts costs **Crawley residents just £48.20 for the year per household**. A household season ticket covers up to five people and can be used for a maximum of five hours of tennis per week and a maximum of two hours of tennis per day. – That's just 19p a game!

Or Pay and Play sessions on our award winning courts cost from just £4. An additional fee of £2.10 for members or £4.30 for non-members will be payable for the use of floodlights at West Green Park.

Where to play

Here are the Crawley Parks Tennis venues where you can play:

-  **Maidenbower Park**
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-  **West Green Park**
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Free tennis programmes

Free, social tennis sessions. You can sign up to a session at **West Green Park** – no matter your age, background or ability – and play tennis for free on select Saturdays at 11am.

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- under 12 need to be accompanied throughout the session by an adult
- 13+ can come on their own but should be picked up and dropped off by an adult

See: clubspark.lta.org.uk/westgreen/coaching

SUMMIT TENNIS

CRAWLEY PARKS



Walking to 6 yrs



5.5 yrs to 9 yrs



8.5 yrs to 13.5 yrs



Tennis for all



Free trial sessions!
Beginners welcome
WWW.SUMMIT-TENNIS.COM



JOIN US FOR OUR FAMILY FRIENDLY
HALLOWEEN EXPERIENCE...

LODGE HILL'S SPOOKY STROLL



24th – 26th October 2026



5pm – 8:30pm (last entry at 8pm)



£15 per child | £6 per adult

Enjoy spooky fun for the whole family!

Halloween Light-Up Trail

Pumpkin Carving

Biscuit Decorating

Marshmallow Toasting

Face Painting

Sno-tubing

Raffle & Tombola

Food & Refreshments (charges apply)

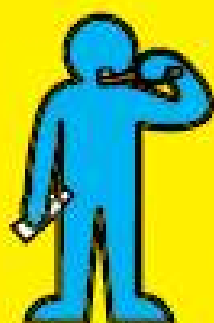


Book now via our website!

6+ years

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4Life

Brushing + twice is nice



Toothbrushing chart

Get into the toothbrushing habit

	Week 1		Week 2		Week 3		Week 4	
Monday	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Tuesday	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Wednesday	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Thursday	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Friday	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Saturday	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Sunday	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Don't forget to keep going!

✓ Tick each box when you have brushed your teeth. Brush your teeth at least twice a day, once before bed and once at any other time. Ask your dental team for more tips.

Don't forget to be sugar smart. Download the Change4Life Food Scanner App to find out what's in your food and drink.

Search Change4Life to find out more.



6+ years

Top tips for teeth



Twice is nice!

Teeth should be brushed at least twice a day, once before bed and once at any other time that suits your family routine.

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Your kids need help brushing their teeth until they are at least seven years old.



Spit, don't rinse

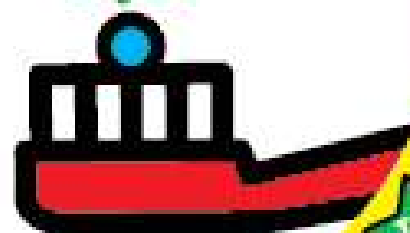
When we brush, our toothpaste builds a protective layer of fluoride around our teeth. If you rinse your mouth with water, you wash it all away. Spitting will do just fine.

Ask your dentist about fluoride varnish to make your child's teeth stronger. All children over 3 years can have this and your dentist may recommend it for younger children too, if they think they may get tooth decay.

Little mouths need less toothpaste

Kids over six only need a small amount of toothpaste.

6+ years



TOP TIP

Make fluoride
your friend

The amount of fluoride in your toothpaste can usually be found on the side of the tube or on the packaging. Toothpaste that contains 1350 to 1500ppm fluoride gives your child the best protection.



Be Sugar Smart

Avoid sugary foods and drink before bedtime. They should be eaten less often and only at mealtimes. Remember, plain water or lower fat milks are best.



Better Health Families is here to help your family be healthy and happy

Sign up for NHS Healthy Steps emails

Sign up for 8 weeks of Healthy Steps emails to help your family make small changes to make a big difference. We'll send you lots of budget-conscious, simple family recipes, fun games and healthy swaps!

Visit healthysteps.uk or scan the QR code to get started!



Be Sugar Smart

Kids are having over double the amount of sugar than they should. Too much sugar is bad for teeth and can lead to weight gain. But don't worry, we have some simple swaps to help you be sugar smart and cut back.



Sugary drinks are bad for teeth and lead to decay. Swap fizzy drinks, juice drinks and flavoured milks for water, lower-fat milks and no added sugar drinks. Limit fruit juice to no more than 150ml a day and stick to meal times.



Eating breakfast every day is important, but some breakfast choices have much more sugar than you think. Opt for plain porridge, shredded wholegrain or plain wholewheat biscuit cereals. Help your kids towards their 5 a Day by adding in chopped fruit.

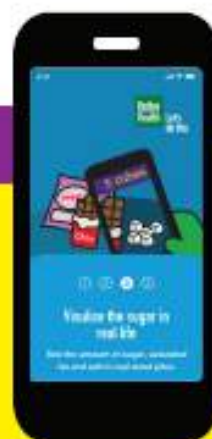
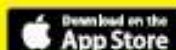


Sugary snacks can all add up! Fruit and vegetables are always the best snack. But when choosing packaged snacks, stick to two a day max.

See what's really inside your food and drink



Download the FREE NHS Food Scanner app to see how much sugar, salt and saturated fat are in your favourite food and drinks, and to find healthier swaps.





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