


# The Powerful Words Project



*“The limits of my language are the limits of my world”*

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

We’re delighted to share with you the news that New Road Primary School has become involved in a project working with 22 primaries from across East Cambs and Fenland to help develop the vocabulary of our KS2 pupils.

Through increasing our children’s vocabulary we can deepen the foundations for thinking and communication which are the skills that lie at the heart of academic achievement. Research reveals that the number of words a child knows is a significant indicator of the A\*-C grades they will go on to achieve in GCSE Maths and English.

More than anything though, words provide our children with a way of understanding, describing and connecting with their world, and this is what we hope the Powerful Words Project will help to develop in our pupils at New Road Primary School.

The project has received funding from the Department of Education to buy classroom resources and provide teacher training that will further develop the ways in which we teach our pupils new words, and encourage them to use these new words in their spoken and written language.

Over the course of the next 5 terms we will be assessing the impact that project is having on our KS2 pupils’ vocabulary and we hope that at home you will also begin to see and hear new words being used and understood by your child.

You can find the privacy policies of the companies whose assessment tools we will be using here:

<https://www.gl-assessment.co.uk/support/privacy-policy/>

<https://www.nomoremarking.com/privacy>

If you have any questions then please don’t hesitate to contact **Mrs Y Morgan** ([YMorgan@newroad.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:YMorgan@newroad.cambs.sch.uk)) who is our School Lead for this project.

Best wishes,



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