



Haringey Universal Therapy Services (HUTS) Advice Poster

How can I help my child if they eat objects which are not meant to be eaten?

- Speak to your child's GP to rule out any nutritional problems.
 Supplements can sometimes stop this behaviour.
- Speak to your child's dentist to rule out any dental problems.
- Your child may be seeking movement that uses the muscles in their mouth. See the QR code below for advice about chewing.
- The **muscles** in your child's mouth may not be fully developed. You can improve these muscles by encouraging your child to do more activities with their mouth. See the QR code below.
- If you still have concerns after trying the above, ask your child's GP for advice.

Find out more:

Read this leaflet for advice to reduce chewing non-edible objects

Read this leaflet for advice about **oral motor** activities











