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Together Towards Success

New on the website

- Secondary Admissions Information
- Nepal Day Photos
- Reception Caterpillar Diary Project
- Year 6 Micro-Marathon Gallery

Forthcoming Events

- **25th May** ½ Term SCHOOL CLOSED
- Pupils Return 2nd June
- 3rd June Y6 Citizenship Day at Canada Villa
- **5th June** Meeting for Parents with children starting Nursery in September
- 10th June to 12th June - Year 6 Residential Trip

Nepal Benefit Day Success



Thank you to everyone for supporting our Nepal Benefit last week. It was an emotional day for the whole school, but a real example of the Woodcroft community coming together to help those in need! Woodcroft pupils wore crimson 'awareness' ribbons, created a giant coin picture in the shape of the Nepal map out of their donations, made class message flags, wrote to their friends in Nepal and made a Nepalese garden with class message flags. At the end of the day we all gathered together outside for a silent reflection.

Well done for helping to raise funds for our friends in Nepal as they continue to suffer the effects of the catastrophic earthquakes. So far we have exceeded our £2000 target and raised £2065! an amazing amount of money to collect! Some pupils made an extra-special effort to add to our collection; Suvechya (Y4) and Sarah (RB) brought in their entire money box savings, Noor and Ganna (Y4 & Y6) collected £35, Julia (Y3) raised £130 by carrying out sponsored tasks for her family, Hossein (Y1) brought in an entire bag full of loose change, David and Diana (Y5 &Y3) raised £50 and the Bruffell family donated £95! Not only that, our School Office staff ran a break time cafe for the staff and collected £110, selling toast and cakes. These are just a few examples of the amazing generosity that everyone at Woodcroft has shown.

We must also recognise the time given up by staff to organise the day's events. Ms Vanner created all of the activities for the classes and Mrs Kingham made the ribbons and flags. The material for these was also generously donated for free by the owner of Jersey Vogue Fabric in Edgware.

We have identified two recipients for our funds and will split the proceeds evenly between The British Red Cross and 'Helping You Help Nepal' charity collection lead by volunteer, Jeff Bordey, in Nepal. Take a look at our school website to see a selection of photos of the day. We have also created a Nepal page that includes all of the Woodcroft messages to the pupils of Nagarjuna Kidsworld, our link school in Nepal.

Our Chair of Governors Liz Court commented; "It was a privilege to be at Woodcroft for Nepal Benefit Day. Congratulations to the children, staff and parents for the way they showed their sympathy and support for the people in Nepal, and for our families who have been so tragically affected. I found the sending of wishes of support with all the children and staff very moving."

Finally, let us spare the final thought for the people of Nepal. We have Woodcroft families that have been personally affected by the devastating earthquakes. Let us hope, that with help of the global community, Nepal can recover quickly from these catastrophic events.

Unicorn Theatre Collaboration Starts



Our 2015-16 COLLABORATE Partnership with the Unicorn theatre starts the week after ½ term! 5V will be taking part in a workshop for pupils on Tuesday 2nd June, after half term.

Burnt Oak Multicultural Parade and Festival Poster Competition

The organisers of the Burnt Oak Festival have asked us to submit entries into their competition to design the poster for this year's parade and festival. The winning art work will be used as the promotional poster and brochure cover. This year's festival is taking place on September 19th and the theme is local multicultural arts. Why not make this your ½ term project and return it to the school office before the deadline of Monday 8th June. Download the latest Better Burnt Oak Newsletter from our school website. The designs should be...

Size: A4

Format: Art work can be created electronically or on paper.

Pupils must provide their full name, year group and name of school on the back of their entries.

Deadline date: Monday 8th June 2015.

Passport Applications CLOSED

Can I remind parents that applications for passports and visas will <u>not</u> now be accepted until September.

Shaun in the City Trail - Half Term Activity



Have you been into London and followed the Shaun the Sheep sculpture trail? A parent did just that last week and has asked me to recommend it to other families. The trail was due to finish on Monday 25th May, but has been extended so visitors will now be able to enjoy seeing the Shauns across the capital until **Sunday 31st May** – perfect if you want to go hunting with your family flock during half term! Hundreds of thousands of people have visited the sculptures since they made

London their home in March – you can now enjoy this extra opportunity to round up the flock! **Download** the trail map from the link on our school website on the 'News' page.

Class Photographs

Class photos were taken this week. We do not use a professional company for whole class photos, so that we can keep the costs to a minimum. Prints will be available to view and order after half term.

Have a great half-term break!

We break up for half term today and **return on Tuesday 2nd June**. We hope that you all have a lovely week and we will see you all again very soon!

Craig Tallon (Headteacher)

Overall
School
Attendance

☆ 95.4% ☆

Attendance Awards: for week beginning 11/5/15

KS1 Class of the week: **2L (99%)** - Joint Top Attendance!

KS2 Class of the week: **3C and 6B (99.3%)** - Joint Top Attendance!

Overall whole school attendance has improved to 95.4%

Attendance continues remain stable - but our aim is to reach $\bf 96\%$

Unfortunately, **75** children still arrived late last week!