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Together Towards Success

New on the website

- Parent Info - new online safety advice
- Arts Award Certificate for Y6 leavers
- All Ears Project

Forthcoming Events

September 2015

- 21/9 Y1 Curriculum Evening 4.00pm
- 21/9 Y2 Curriculum Evening 5.00pm
- 22/9 Y3 Curriculum Evening 4.00pm
- 22/9 Y4 Curriculum Evening 5.00pm
- 23/9 Y5 Curriculum Evening 4.00pm
- 23/9 Y6 Curriculum Evening 5.00pm
- 25/9 Macmillan Coffee Morning 9.00am Oak Suite
- 28/9 Speech and Language Coffee Morning for Parents
- 29/9 Reception trip to Unicorn Theatre
- 29/9 Friends of Woodcroft AGM

Burnt Oak Parade & Festival - Saturday 19th September

We hope that many of you will be joining us for tomorrow's Burnt Oak Parade and Festival. Woodcroft's Choir, J Rock Dance Club and Senior Guitar Group will be taking part in the parade and then performing on the festival stage. We will also be joined by some of our connectED partnership schools; Barnfield, Broadfields, Colindale, Goldbeaters and The Orion.

Here are further details about the event:

- Parade leaves Edgware Community Hospital at 11.00am and will proceed down the Edgware Road (A5), turning left down Watling Avenue and then into Silkstream Park.
- School performances will begin on the Main Stage at approximately 12.30 pm.

You are all welcome to join us. Please be aware that ALL children must be accompanied by an adult.



An Artist Residency with Greg Sinclair begins on Monday



As part of our Collaborate Partnership with the Unicorn Theatre, award winning musician, composer and performance artist Greg Sinclair will be joining Woodcroft for 6 weeks to lead an exciting musical residency project called 'All Ears'.

Greg promises to leave a legacy for new ways to explore music! He will work across every year group creating a range of music making and listening experiences. This is a unique and amazing opportunity for Woodcroft to work alongside a professional performance musician. Greg will launch the project to pupils in assembly on Monday. Find out more about Greg, and his music residency at Woodcroft, by visiting our website.

Join us for Coffee and Cake support to Macmillan Cancer Charity

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CANCER SUPPORT**



Friends of Woodcroft are hosting their annual Macmillan Cancer Support coffee morning next **Friday 25th Sept in the Oak Suite from 9.00am**. They are also asking parents to support this event by donating cakes and biscuits. Put the date in your diary and please come along next Friday.

Year Group Curriculum Evenings - Parents Invited To Attend

Our Year Group Curriculum Evenings take place over three nights next week. Each year group meeting will occur at a different time to enable all parents the opportunity to attend. Please be punctual to the meetings, check out the school's online diary for more information:

Monday 21st Y1 Curriculum Evening 4.00pm followed by Y2 Curriculum Evening 5.00pm

Tuesday 22nd Y3 Curriculum Evening 4.00pm followed by Y4 Curriculum Evening 5.00pm

Wednesday 23rd Y5 Curriculum Evening 4.00pm Followed by Y6 Curriculum Evening 5.00pm

Please make every effort to attend to find out all about the expectations in your child's new year group.

Arts Award Success - Certificates Arrived This Week



37 of our Year 6 pupils who left in the summer received their Arts Award Certificates this week. They successfully completed this qualification in July when a moderator from Trinity College assessed their portfolios and confirmed they had achieved the standard for the Bronze Award; praising the high quality of evidence presented by the school. To achieve Bronze, a Level 1 national qualification, the pupils presented detailed evidence to show they have taken part in arts activities, experienced arts events, researched their arts inspiration and shared their skills with others. Over the year our pupils needed to demonstrate evidence of around 40 hours of arts activities and study to be successful.



The qualification is awarded by the prestigious Trinity College London that is the leading international examinations board providing respected qualifications in the performing arts. Woodcroft is now a registered Arts Award Assessment Centre, visit our website for more information.

Secondary Transfer 2016

We would like to remind Y6 parents that the Secondary Transfer online application system is now open. Helpful information has been posted on our website. We will also open our Computing Suite during October to offer parents support with the online application process if required.

Family Services at Woodcroft

I would like remind parents about the excellent range of family services available at Woodcroft. Speak to the office for more information or click on the Family Services tab on our website to find out about:

Breakfast Club: Open from 8.00am and serving hot and cold breakfast every day for 95p

Acorns After School Club: Run by Woodcroft staff for Woodcroft pupils is open between 3.15pm and 6.00pm Monday to Friday.

Little Oaks: Our free, Thursday morning, parent and toddler group will reopen in a couple of weeks when our new Nursery and Reception pupils have settled in. A notice will be sent out when it restarts.

School Attendance Champions

(week beginning 7th Sept)

2W 99.3%

5P 100%

Whole School 95.5%

Late arrivals 58

Punctuality at Woodcroft - Message from Joe Duggan (EWO)

At Woodcroft we celebrate good punctuality and attendance, and at the end of each term we present certificates to students in recognition of outstanding punctuality. As the Education Welfare Officer (EWO) for Woodcroft, I want to remind our parents that pupils enter classrooms each morning at **8.45AM** with class registration then taking place at 8.55AM. I will be on hand to meet parents whose children arrive late, with the aim of encouraging prompt arrival thereafter. If you have any concerns about your child's punctuality, then please feel free to discuss these with me.

