

WOODCROFT WEEKLY

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Together Towards Success

New on the website

- PE Curriculum Map
- All Ears Week 3 Photos

Forthcoming Events

October 2015

- Thursday 15th October : **Harvest Coin Pictures**
- Friday 16th: **Harvest Festival** food donations collected for class hampers.
- 19th to 23rd **International Week**
- Wednesday 21st **National Dress day and International cakes**
- **Year 2 Music Festival** Friday 23rd
- 26th to 30th ½ **Term** - School Closed
- 31st October Deadline for **Y6 Secondary applications**

Celebrating Success

Tell us about your achievements outside school.

Well done to Usmaan (Y6) who has been selected for the District Football Team. Suleman (Y5) made it to the final selection round but just missed out on a place. Mr Judd went to the trials & was proud of the performances

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Harvest Festival - Next Week 15th & 16th October



Harvest Festival collections are next week - please make a donation of food and coins to support those in need. The pupils will be celebrating Harvest on Friday 16th October. Each class will be collecting food to make a class hamper. This will then be decorated and displayed in Friday's assembly. Parents can view the Harvest display after school

on Friday.

We shall also be creating a 'coin-picture' using loose change donations from home. The proceeds will be supporting the charities of 'Age Concern Barnet' and the 'Nepal Disaster Fund'. Please give generously for those in need.

International Week Starts on 19th October

To celebrate Black History Month we shall be hosting our annual International Week. Class will take part in special activities, and the kitchen will be serving a special international menu all week.



Wednesday 21st October is our International Dress Parade where pupils come into school in their national costume or the colours of their own national flag (no football/rugby kits). We will be holding a whole school assembly in the morning where

the children can model their outfits!

The Friends of Woodcroft will be holding an **International Cake Sale in the large hall on Wednesday 21st October from 3.00pm**. We hope that every continent will be represented - please support your home nation by providing traditional cakes. All monies raised will go towards resources for our EAL services. The week will finish with the Infant Music Festival on Friday 23rd which will be a whole school morning assembly. Last year's event was a fantastic success!

Y6 Secondary School Application Workshop Next Week

The deadline for Year 6 parents to complete their child's secondary school application is 31st October 2015. If you have not submitted your online form please do so as soon as possible. there is lots of guidance on our website:

Information > Admissions & Secondary Transfer > Secondary Transfer 2016

Mr Tallon will be available again on Wednesday 14th October from 2.00pm to 3.15pm to support parents to complete the form. Please make sure that you have an active email address before starting the process. Don't delay, visit our website and click the Admissions link to start your application.



Lock Your Bikes and Scooters



We encourage pupils to walk or ride their bikes and scooters to school. We provide a bike shelter for older pupils and Scooter Pods for Nursery and Reception. However, all bikes and scooters need to be locked safely by their owners - we cannot accept responsibility for bikes while on school property.

This week a bicycle was stolen from our shelter! The theft has been reported to the police who visited school to take details and inspect CCTV footage of the crime taking place. Unfortunately the pupil had **NOT** locked their bike.

If you would like your child to ride to school please complete a registration form. We expect children to wear a helmet, lock their bike up and have passed their Bikeability training if riding to alone. Parents are welcome to supervise younger riders on their journey - please pick up a Registration Form from the office or download from the website alongside with this newsletter.

Conversation Café



'Conversation Café' is an exciting new opportunity for parents to gain confidence and improve their spoken English. It is **FREE** and will take place on **Tuesday** mornings from **9.00am in the School Library**.

- Parents work together on fun activities designed to improve English language skills
- Refreshments available
- Younger children welcome
- Make new friends

If you are interested in taking part please register at the Office - these are informal 'drop in' sessions - come as often as you like. See the flyer sent out along with this Newsletter.

IMPORTANT NOTICE - Road Maintenance Planned for Wolsey Grove



The school has received a notification that road maintenance is planned for Wolsey Grove during October. This may involve parking restrictions and possible road closures. Please take extra care when arriving and collecting from school if using the back entrance.

ACORNS After-School Club - The Oak Suite

Open to pupils in Years 1 to 6 every evening during term time from 3:15 - 6:00 pm.

FLEXIBLE COLLECTION TIMES AND CHARGES



Here at Acorns we appreciate that sometimes finding suitable childcare for that period from the end of the school day until early evening can be a bit of a headache, especially for working parents. Why not book your child into our after school club for a practical and cost effective solution?

| **Arts & Crafts** | **Film Nights** | **Multi Sports** | **Cooking** | **Games** |

Fun Activities! Children get involved in a variety of activities; learning new skills whilst enjoying themselves and making friends in a safe and secure environment **Interested?** Come into the Office and speak with one of our Acorns staff who will gladly show you around and provide further information.

Whole School Attendance

↑ **95.2%** ↑
(Target 96%)

Weekly Class Attendance Champions (for week beginning 28th September)

KS1 Class of the week: 1C 99.3%

KS2 Class of the week: 6G 99%

We had **59** late arrivals last week. Unfortunately this is an increase on previous weeks. It is vital to arrive at school in good time by **8.45am**.

