



Together Towards Success

New on the website

- Gold STARS Award
- Reception Gardening Award
- All Ears Week 3
- Y3 Saracens Rugby Programme

Forthcoming Events

October 2015

-19th to 23rd **International Week**

- Wednesday 21st **National Dress day and International cakes**
- Tuesday 20th **Mixed Football Competition** at Friern Barnet
- **Year 2 Music Festival** Friday 23rd

26th to 30th ½ **Term** - School Closed

- 31st October Deadline for **Y6 Secondary applications**

- 5th November Y4 perform 'All Ears' to parents at 2.15pm

Celebrating Success

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Harvest Festival Success



Thank you to everyone for their generosity towards our Harvest Festival collections this week. We hope that you had an opportunity to take a look at the class hamper display after school. Keep an eye on the website and we will post some photos of the event. The 'coin-picture' collection in aid of 'Age Concern Barnet' and the 'Nepal Disaster Fund' looked fantastic. I will report on the total raised as soon as possible.

Next Week is International Week at Woodcroft!



Next week we shall be hosting our annual International Week! The important day for parents to take note is Wednesday. We are asking two things: pupils to come to school in national dress and also bring cakes or biscuits to represent their home nation.

International Parade and Cake Sale on Wednesday 21st October

On Wednesday pupils can swap their uniform and come into school in their national costume or the colours of their own national flag (no football/sports kits please). We will be holding a whole school assembly where the children can proudly show off their traditional outfits!

The Friends of Woodcroft will then be holding an **International Cake Sale in the large hall on Wednesday afternoon 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. Please bring cakes into school any time that day - last year's event was a fantastic success - let's make this one even better - so get baking!

Y6 Secondary School Applications - DEADLINE SOON!

The deadline for Year 6 parents to complete their child's secondary school application is 31st October 2015. Some secondary schools have also requested their own SIF (Supplementary Information Form) by next Friday, 23rd October. If you have not submitted your online form please do so as soon as possible.



Year 3 Mummify!



This week Year 3 travelled in our TARDIS to have a very special meeting with the famous pharaoh Tutankhamun. The pupils got to take part in a real life mummification experience! They carefully followed the steps they had learned and were able to prepare the pharaoh for the afterlife. Year 3 want to say a very big thank you to Tutankhamun and wish him all the best in the afterlife. Visit the school website to take a look at some photos of our day.

Gold TfL Travel Award Success for Woodcroft

Woodcroft was invited to attend the TfL 2015 Gold STARS Accreditation Ceremony on Tuesday 13th October where we were formally presented with our gold award and certificate. Mrs Valoti and our Chair of Governors, Liz Court, went along to this prestigious event at Camden Town Hall along with two of our Y6 Junior Travel Ambassadors (JTAs), Florenta and Billy. STARS is the sustainable travel accreditation scheme for schools to inspire young Londoners to travel sustainably, actively, responsibly and safely.



During the event we had an opportunity to exchange ideas and plan new, exciting travel initiatives with other Gold accredited schools from across London. Our JTAs had a fun packed day that culminated in the special 2015 STARS Award Ceremony.

Foundation Stage Win Most Enthusiastic Gardeners In Barnet Award 2015!



On Thursday 8th October Mrs Brown and Mrs June attended the 2015 Barnet Young Gardeners Award Ceremony along with pupils, Arman and Ajisa, and mum Mrs Husedzinovic. The judges had visited our Early Years Garden back in the summer and spent time talking with the children about how the garden is used at Woodcroft. At the awards event, held at Sunnyfields School, it was announced that we had won the prize for 'The Most Enthusiastic Young Gardeners 2015'. We were presented with The Rose Connolly Cup by the Mayor of Barnet. The judges commented that Woodcroft Reception pupils were always enthusiastic and very knowledgeable for children so young. Well done to everyone involved in making our boutique garden so special! See the photos on our school website.

Parent Consultation Evening Attendance Report

Last week we held our parent consultation evenings. It is vital that parents take an active role in their child's education. I am pleased to report that we had **87%** of families represented over the week. Thank you to those parents, unavailable on either night, that made alternative appointments. If you didn't make time to see your child's class teacher please make an appointment as soon as possible.

Conversation Café starting after ½ term

'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**, starting on 3rd November.

- Parents work together on fun activities
- Refreshments available
- Younger children welcome
- Make new friends



If you are interested in improving your spoken English please come along on Tuesday mornings

Whole School Attendance

↑95.7%↑

(Almost back to our target of 96%)

Weekly Class Attendance Champions (for week beginning 5th October)

KS1 Class of the week: 2W% 100% PERFECT ATTENDANCE!

KS2 Class of the week: 5V% 99.3% Well done

We had **79** late arrivals last week. This means too many pupils are arriving late and disturbing lessons. Remember, children enter classes at **8.45am**.