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Together Towards Success

New on the website

- Harvest Festival
- Football Tournament
- International Day

Forthcoming Events

October 2015
26th to 30th ½ Term
School Closed

Y6 Secondary applications 31st October Deadline November

- 5th November Y4 perform 'All Ears' to parents at 2.15pm
- 9th November
 Remembrance
 Assembly
- Governing Body
 Meeting 7.00pm
- 9th November Y6 Trip to RAF Museum
- 11th November KS2 Trip to Unicorn
- Diwali
- Children in Need 2015:
 Dress and accessorise yourself yellow, gold, shiny or sparkly - £1 suggested donation

Celebrating Success

Tell us about your achievements outside school.

Follow us on Twitter @WPS_Success



Harvest Festival Collection

Well done for collecting an amazing £322 as part of our harvest coin picture charity collection. The pupils had a Treehouse competition to guess the number of coins in the picture - the actual total was 12,539! Congratulations to Luke Masters who had the closest guess with 12,582, and won a copy of The Guinness Book Of Records 2016.

International Week Success!



This week we hosted our annual International Week! All of the pupils looked amazing when they came to school in national dress. We also had our wonderful cake sale with all of the continents represented. A sample of photographs are posted on the website, and classes will

be updating thier gallery frames in the corridor with work and pictures.

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 a SIF (Supplementary Information Form) by today, Friday, 23rd October.



Bronze Medal Football Success

Congratulations to our Football Team, finishing in 3rd place at the Barnet Mixed Football Tournament! Over 30 schools entered the competition held at Friern Barnet Power League on Tuesday 20th October. Woodcroft won their group of 5 teams and progressed through the rounds, losing only to the eventual winners, Summerside. Despite our disappointment at missing out on the final we put on a terrific performance in the bronze medal play-off match, winning 4-2 against Akiva. Thank you to our coaches, Mr Judd, Mrs Clark and Mr Gagen, who were all extremely proud of the team.

Year 4 Performance - Parents and Carers Invitation Thursday 5th November at 2.15pm

The families of Year 4 pupils are invited to a very special performance on Thursday 5th November at 2.15pm.

Year 4 will be starring in the final performance of *All Ears*, a project that has involved the entire school from Reception to Year 6. The Y4 *All Ears* performance will show some of the things that Greg Sinclair (Artist in Residence) has been working on with the pupils throughout the school. You can expect noisy costumes, recycled instruments and singing like you've never heard before! There will even be a spectacular sequence involving basketballs and trampolines! We look forward to seeing you on the 5th November.

Woodcroft Helps Launch New London Arts Campaign





Last week was the start of a new campaign for schools to come together and take practical steps to improve the creative and cultural education offer for children.

London Arts Organisation A.N.D. (A New Direction) is funded by the Arts Council England to connect young people with great arts and culture across the region. Their new campaign, **Generation Culture**, was launched last week. At Woodcroft we already have a reputation for outstanding Arts education and so we have been featured as part of the campaign launch. Woodcroft was honored to be the first school to pledge support. You can read the article about Woodcroft at the address below or follow the link from our website: https://www.anewdirection.org.uk/blog/all

Half Term Next Week - Have a safe and enjoyable week.

School is closed for half term next week. We reopen on Monday 2nd November. There are lots of exciting things happening, so we hope that you have an enjoyable and safe break...

Halloween: If you are planning to take part in halloween 'Trick or Treat' festivities next Saturday please do so safely. Make sure children go around with a responsible adult and only visit familiar houses. Remember, if you don't see a pumpkin in the window it probably means they do not want to be disturbed by assorted monsters and ghouls demanding sweets. Try to have fun on Halloween, but also show respect and consideration for your neighbours.

Firework Safety: Young people should watch and enjoy fireworks at a safe distance and follow the safety rules for using sparklers. Only adults should deal with firework displays and the lighting of fireworks. They should also take care of the safe disposal of fireworks once they have been used.

Conversation Café starting after half-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**. If you are interested in improving your spoken English please come along on Tuesday mornings. More information available from our Office.

Whole School <u>Attendance</u>

☐ We are nearly back on target at 96%

Weekly Class Attendance Champions (for week beginning 12th October)

KS1 Class of the week: 2L% 99.3% TOP ATTENDANCE! KS2 Class of the week: 4B% 99.0% Well done - great attendance

We had 92 late arrivals last week. This means too many pupils are arriving late

and disturbing lessons. Remember, children enter classes at 8.45am.