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Together Towards Success

New on the website

- Infant Music Festival
- All Ears Performance

Forthcoming Events

November

- 9th Remembrance
 Assembly
- 9th Y6 Trip to RAF Museum
- 11th KS2 Trip to Unicorn
- 13th Children in Need 2015: Dress and accessorise yourself yellow, gold, shiny or sparkly - £1 suggested donation
- Y3 Ukulele assembly has moved from 23rd November to 30th November at 11.00am.
 We apologise for any inconvenience

Celebrating Success

Tell us about your achievements outside school so we can celebrate them here.

Follow us on Twitter @WPS_Success



Year 4 'All Ears' Performance

On Thursday 5th November the families of Year 4 pupils were invited to a very special showcase performance of our *All Ears* project. This six week Unicorn Theatre collaboration with musician Greg Sinclair has involved the entire school from Reception to Year 6. The audience were treated to a feast of music and movement that included bicycles, basketballs, ukuleles, space-hoppers and balloons to name a few! At the end of the show we said a sad goodbye to Greg and thanked him for the work he has done while at Woodcroft. The pupils had made him special card with photos of all of their ears. the performance, and card, had to be seen to be believed so take a look at the photos on the website.

Unicorn Theatre Trip

Next week, on Wednesday, the whole of KS2 (Y3 to Y6) will be visiting the Unicorn to watch a special production of 'Baddies the Musical'. Please make sure you have returned your permission forms.

Infant Music Festival

Woodcroft hosted a Barnet Music Festival on the Friday before half term. We were visited by 270 pupils from nearby schools; Courtland, Blessed Dominic, Barnfield and Broadfields. Our Year 2 classes joined the festival and sang a repertoire of songs including one penned by our very own Mr Huckerby. Well done to all of the pupils and staff for a performance of such high standard.

BOOST - Burnt oak Opportunity Support Team



BOOST is a new project set up to support local residents of Burnt Oak to get into work. By working together with adults they aim to help them lead better, healthier and manageable

lifestyles, and of course to gain sustainable work that meets their individual and family needs. The BOOST team will be talking to parents and carers at Woodcroft on 24th November at 9.00am in our school library. Take a look at the flyer sent out with this newsletter, or download a copy from the school website (News Section), to find out more.

Children in Need Day 2015 - Friday 13th November



Woodcroft will be taking part and raising money for Children in Need 2015 through our regular non-uniform day. This year's theme is 'Champions of Change'! **Pudsey's 'Champion Challenge'** is to dress or accessorise yourself like a 'Children in

Champion' in yellow, or even better, with something gold, silver or bronze. This could be shiny or sparkly wig, hat, tinsel necklace or anything you want to go crazy for Children in Need 2015! Please donate generously on Friday.

Bike Shelter Security Improvements



Before half term we had two separate thefts from our bike shelter. Following these thefts we have significantly improved security in the following ways:

- New 'gold' standard maximum strength hardened steel chain lock around the shelter door frame.
- The bottom set of school gates to be kept locked during the day (between 9.15am and 3.00pm)
- repositioned CCTV camera

Pupils can now use the shelter but we still request that all bikes are also separately locked inside.

Dr. Bike We're a sustrans Bike It school

Dr. Bike will be visiting again on **Monday 9th November** to carry out **FREE bike checks and minor repairs**, including puncture repairs. This is a great opportunity to get your child's bike checked over to make sure it is safe and roadworthy. You do not need to register to access the service, just bring your child's bike to school on Monday. To access this service...

- Bring your bike to the KS1 Playground via the main entrance on Monday
- Bikes will be seen during the school day.
- It is helpful to put your child's name on their bike

Please speak with Mrs Valoti if you have any questions.

Flu Immunisation Programme For Year 1 and Year 2

Parents in Year 1 and Year 2 will be receiving a letter on Monday informing them of a NHS nasal spray immunisation programme for children. This is part of a national programme to protect children against the flu. It is a simple and painless spray up the nose that will be administered by NHS nurses. Please return the consent form as soon as possible. If you have any questions please speak to Mrs Hatch.

Remembrance Day 2015 - 11th November



National Remembrance Day occurs next week on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. On Monday we will be thinking about this in school with a special assembly while Year 6 visit the RAF Museum. Then on Wednesday 2 minutes silence will be held across the country at 11.00 o'clock. We are selling poppies in school, and these can be purchased for a small donation from our Office.

Happy Diwali 🕹



Next week our Hindu families will be lighting diwas to celebrate the festival of Diwali. This year's festival falls on November 11th. Can I remind parents that a maximum of one day's absence can only be authorised for religious observance. Happy Diwali to all that celebrate.

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 **Oak Suite**. If you are interested in improving your spoken English please come along.

Whole School Attendance ⇒95.9%⊭ Weekly Class Attendance Champions (for week beginning 19th October)

KS1 Class of the week: 2W 97.2% Well done - great attendance KS2 Class of the week: 6M 98.7%TOP ATTENDANCE!

We had 87 late arrivals last week. This means too many pupils are arriving late and disturbing lessons. Remember, children enter classes at 8.45am.